

HOW TO CHOOSE THE CORRECT SIZE FLAG For Your Flag Pole



FLAG POLE HEIGHT

Correct Flag Size

- **Residential house-mounted flag poles** A 2 ½' x 4' banner is best suited on a 5' flag pole and a 3' X 5' flag on a 6' pole. Avoid having anything touch the flag when it is flying. This will shorten the life by causing wear and tear on the flag.
- In-ground flag poles Choose a flag length that is between 1/4 and 1/3 the height of your flag pole.

Flag vs. Banner

- A flag has metal rings called grommets on the heading, which are used to attach the flag to the pole.
- A banner has a sleeve. Slide the banner over the pole. Use the tab inside the banner sleeve to attach to the banner pole.
- A two-way mounting bracket will allow you to fly your flag or banner on a 45-degree angle, typical for flags, or a 90-degree angle, typical for banners. It is a matter of personal preference.

Got Other Flag Questions? www.annin.com/faqs



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At Annin, we have been proud Flagmakers – and enthusiastic flag flyers – since our company's founding in 1847.

Through the years, Annin Flags have played a role in countless moments of national pride and celebration: our flags have flown over the White House, on foreign fields of battle and even on the surface of the moon.

We are a family-owned business that operates three U.S. manufacturing facilities in Virginia and Ohio. We're proud to say that our flags are produced entirely with American labor and materials.



We encourage all Americans to fly their flags with pride every day – and especially on flag flying holidays. For your convenience we've created a comprehensive online reference with everything you need to know about flying and caring for your flag. For a complete guide to flag flying holidays and how to display and honor your flag, visit: www.annin.com



FLAG FLYING DAYS

JANUARY

New Year's Day January 1 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day 3rd Monday in January

FEBRUARY

Lincoln's Birthday February 12 Presidents' Day 3rd Monday in February Washington's Birthday February 22

MARCH/APRIL

Easter Sunday Variable

APRIL Patriots' Day

3rd Monday in April

MAY International Firefighters' Day May 4 V-E Day May 8 Mother's Day 2nd Sunday in May Peace Officers' Memorial Day May 15 Half Staff (sunrise to sunset) Armed Forces Day 3rd Saturday in May Memorial Day Last Monday in May Half Staff (sunrise to noon)

Flag Day June 14 Father's Day 3rd Sunday in June

JUNE

JULY

Independence Day July 4 Korean War Veterans Armistice Day July 27 – Half Staff (sunrise to sunset)

AUGUST

Purple Heart Day August 7 V-J Day August 14 National Aviation Day August 19

SEPTEMBER

Labor Day 1st Monday in September Patriot Day September 11 Half Staff (sunrise to sunset) **Constitution Day** September 17

OCTOBER

National Fallen Firefighters' Memorial Day 1st Sunday in October – Half Staff (sunrise to sunset) Columbus Day 2nd Monday in October Navy Day October 27

NOVEMBER

Election Day 1st Tuesday after 1st Monday Veterans' Day November 11 Thanksgiving Day 4th Thursday in November

DECEMBER

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day December 7 Half Staff (sunrise to sunset) Christmas Day December 25

Flag Etiquette: www.annin.com/ flag-etiquette

Caring for Your New Annin Product

These guidelines below may be used to care for Annin flags and decorations.

- For the best results, do not expose your flag to rain, snow or abnormally high winds; these forces of nature can shorten its life considerably. Should the flag become wet, it should be spread out and allowed to dry completely. Do not fold or roll up a wet or damp flag.
- To keep its rich colors looking bright, clean your flag regularly, before soiling and discoloration from dirt, smoke, dust and other airborne contaminants "set" in the fabric. Your flag can be washed by hand or by machine on "gentle" cycle in cold water with mild detergent, then thoroughly rinsed and hung or laid flat to dry. Do not let stand in the wash water or you may experience some color transfer. Cotton and nylon flags may also be dry-cleaned. Dry cleaning is not recommended for polyester or polyester blend flags.
- Do not place the flag where the wind will whip it against rough surfaces, tree branches, wires, cables, etc. The smallest tear can soon result in a tattered flag. Keep pole surfaces free of rust and corrosion that could damage your flag.
- Inspect your flag regularly for signs of wear. In particular, look for "normal wear" fabric or thread breaks that may occur in the "fly" end (the end farthest from the staff). Trimming and re-hemming torn or frayed ends will help extend the life of your flag.
- How long will a flag last? There is no exact answer. The U.S.
 Government generally expects a flag to last approximately 90 days based on daily usage from sunrise to sunset – but not during periods of inclement weather. Tests have shown that in some cases a flag flown 24 hours a day will only last one-fourth as long as one flown during the daylight hours only.

