
Flag Display

1102.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance to members of the Blue Ridge Fire District regarding the proper display of the flags of both the United States and the State of Arizona.

1102.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Blue Ridge Fire District to display flags at district facilities in compliance with Arizona and federal laws.

1102.3 DISPLAYING THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES

Federal law providing for the use and the display of the U.S. flag is contained in Title 4 Chapter 1 of the United States Code, commonly referred to as the "Flag Code." Members of this district will display the flag of the United States in accordance with the provisions of 4 USC § 1 through 4 USC § 10.

1102.3.1 DISPLAY OF THE U.S. FLAG IN DAILY OPERATIONS

District members should consult the Flag Code for guidance whenever the flag of the United States is to be displayed in any manner. This is to ensure that the display is presented in accordance with the Flag Code and as follows:

- (a) The United States flag should be conspicuously posted on all district facilities during hours of operation.
- (b) It is the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on a stationary flagstaff in the open. However, the flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if it is properly illuminated during the hours of darkness (4 USC § 6).
- (c) The flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement, except when an all-weather flag is displayed (4 USC § 6).
- (d) The U.S. flag may only be flown at half-staff by Presidential or Gubernatorial decree, and on Memorial Day until noon (4 USC § 7).

Whenever the U.S. flag is displayed in conjunction with other flags or symbols it should occupy the "Place of Honor" (4 USC § 7).

1102.4 DISPLAY OF THE ARIZONA STATE FLAG

Members of the Blue Ridge Fire District will display the Arizona State flag prominently and in the proper position of honor in accordance with the United States Flag Code.

1102.4.1 DISPLAY OF THE ARIZONA FLAG IN DAILY OPERATIONS

District members should consult the Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA) for guidance whenever the flag is to be displayed in any manner to ensure that the display is presented appropriately. Displays of the flag should be consistent with the following protocol:

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- (a) The flag should be conspicuously posted on all district facilities during hours of operation.
- (b) Generally, the flag should be displayed only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on a stationary flagstaff in the open. However, the flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if it is properly illuminated during the hours of darkness.
- (c) The flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement, except when an all-weather flag is displayed.
- (d) The flag shall be flown at half-staff whenever the flag of the United States is flown at half-staff, and may only be flown at half-staff at other times by order of the Governor of Arizona.
- (e) Whenever the flag is displayed in conjunction with the United States flag, the United States flag shall occupy the position of first honor (4 USC § 7). When the flag is displayed in conjunction with other flags or symbols, it should occupy the position of honor.

For flag display protocol subsequent to a line-of-duty death, see the Line-of-Duty Death Policy.