



| Responsible Officer | Adopted |
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| Director Corporate & Community Services | 24 July 2012 |
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OBJECTIVE

To provide standard conditions for the flying of flags at key Council flag pole locations.

APPLICABLE LEGISLATION

- Flags Act 1953 (Commonwealth)
This Act formally identified the Australian National Flag, as well as the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flags (proclaimed in July 1995) as “Flags of Australia”.

POLICY

Flags of Australia should be used with respect and dignity. The protocols developed by the Commonwealth Government outlined in the *Australian Flags* booklet (<https://www.pmc.gov.au/government/australian-national-symbols/australian-flags>) are to be followed when flying or using Flags of Australia.

Flags will be flown at key locations as follows:

- The flag poles will only be used for the flying of the Australian National flag and the Council flag.
- If only one pole is available, the Australian National flag will be flown.
- That both flags will be in good order and flown at the Community and Civic Centre on Monday to Friday during open hours
- That the Australian National flag will be flown at all times at the other location on Renmark Avenue
- That the Australian National flag at the Civic Centre be flown at half mast on the day of a funeral if requested in writing by a family member
- That the Australian National flag be flown at half mast, at an appropriate location, for the funeral of Local, State and Federal Government dignitaries and the Queen’s representatives when notified by the Commonwealth Flag Network and/or the Protocol Unit of the Department of Premier and Cabinet
- That the Australian National flag be flown at an appropriate location on days of National Commemoration (eg. Anzac Day and Remembrance Day)



- That the Council flag be replaced with the Aboriginal Flag during NAIDOC celebrations.
- That the official flag for any visiting International Dignitaries to our region will be flown at key locations on the day/s of the visit.

DELEGATION

That pursuant to section 44 of the Local Government Act 1999, Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer authority to administer Council's Policies. Refer to Council's Delegations Register for sub delegation if granted.