







## UNION FLAG - PRIORITY

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|  | <p>Where there are two or more flagpoles parallel to the building line, the senior national flag should be the first flag on the left of an observer facing the main entrance of the building. The remaining flags then appear in order of precedence from left to right.</p>   |
|  | <p>Where there are two or more flagpoles on the forecourt of a building angled to the main entrance, the senior national flag should be flown on the outermost pole when the flagpoles are to the left of the main entrance and on the innermost pole when the flagpoles are to the right of the main entrance, as shown.</p> |
|  | <p>If one flagpole is higher than the rest, then the senior national flag can fly from that flagpole; however no non-UK national flags can be flown on the other flagpoles. These can be used for more junior flags such as county and house flags.</p>   |

## FLAGS AT HALF MAST

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|  | <p>Half-mast means the flag is flown two-thirds of the way up the flagpole, with at least the height of the flag between the top of the flag and the top of the flagpole. Flags cannot be flown at half-mast on poles that are more than 45° from the vertical.</p>   |
| <p>A Stand of Flags at Full-mast</p>  |   |
|  | <p>When a British national flag is at half-mast, other flags on the same stand of poles should also be at half-mast or should not be flown at all. Flags of foreign nations should not be flown, unless their country is also observing mourning.</p>   |
| <p>The Same Stand at Half-mast</p>  |   |
|  | <p><b>NOTE:</b> flying of the <b>Union Flag</b> at half-mast this may only happen from 1) the announcement of the death until the funeral of the Sovereign, 2) announcement of the death until the funeral of a member of the Royal Family styled 'Royal Highness', 3) on the day of the announcement of the death and on the day of the funeral of other members of the Royal Family, Foreign Rulers, Members of Parliament <b>and ONLY when subject to special commands from the Sovereign in each case.</b></p> <p><b>For all other</b> announcements relating to the death of e.g. a Member of the Council, a Mayor of the Borough, an Honorary Freeman of the Borough, the <b>Local Authority Flag ONLY</b> will be flown at half-mast. See flag flying protocol for full details.</p> |