

Town of Needham Select Board

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Policy:

The Select Board governs the use of land under its jurisdiction, to include several flagpoles. The Board has an interest in ensuring that there is a policy relative to which flags may be flown from these flagpoles. Said flagpoles are non-public, inherently governmental forums which express the speech of the Town of Needham as determined by the Select Board.

This policy shall not govern flagpoles under the jurisdiction of the School Committee, the Trustees of Memorial Park, or any other elected body with operational jurisdiction over flagpoles.

I. Flags Which May Be Flown

Flagpoles in the Town of Needham may only fly the following flags:

- United States of America
- POW/MIA
- Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- Town of Needham
- Purple Heart Day Flag (on August 7th only)
- Police and Fire Memorial Flags (at Public Safety Memorial only)

II. Flag Protocol

Flags shall be flown in accordance with Ch. 1, 4 U.S.C and MGL Ch. 2, §6 and 6A.