

# Rules For Display Of India's National Flag

## GOVERNMENT'S DIRECTIVE

**T**HE Government of India have decided that "Jana Gana Mana" alone should be recognised as the National Anthem of India. The flag being the emblem of the nation, it is essential that it should not be brought into disrepute by unregulated use. The following rules have, therefore, been prescribed by Government for the display of the National Flag in India.

Normally, the flag should be flown only on important Government buildings such as the High Court, Secretariat, Commissioners' Offices, Collectorates, Jails and Offices of District Boards and Municipalities.

The flag should also be flown on the residences of Ministers, both Central and Provincial, President of the Constituent Assembly of India, Ministers of State of the Central Government, Chief Commissioners, Speakers of Assemblies, both at the Centre and in the Provinces, Presidents of Upper Chambers, Commissioners of Divisions, Deputy Commissioners and Collectors of Districts and Ministers as well as Presidents or Speakers of Legislative Chambers of States and Unions of States.

The Governor-General and Governors have special flags of their own and they will continue to fly those flags on their residences.

India's representatives in foreign countries and States should fly the flag on their residences.

In frontier areas, the flag may be flown at special places.

Ruling Princes and Rajpramukhs may also use the flag on their residences, together with their State flags, if they so desire.

The use of the flag by the Army, Navy and the Air Forces will be governed by special rules made for the purpose.

On special occasions like Independence Day celebrations, the National Week, January 26, and Mahatma Gandhi's birthday, as well as on any other particular day of national rejoicing, the use of the flag will be unrestricted.

Privilege for the use of the flag on motor-cars will be limited to Ministers and Speakers, both Central and Provincial, Ministers of State and Deputy Ministers of the Central Government, President of the Constituent Assembly of India, Presidents of Upper Chambers, where these exist, Chief Commissioners, Ministers, as well as Presidents or Speakers of Legislative Chambers, of States and Unions of States.

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The Governor-General and the Governors have their own special flags. They will continue to use them. The Provincial Governors when outside their provinces, should fly the National Flag of India.