

Title: RCs latest tweet has a Jolly Roger flag and this is what it was used for

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Pirates did not fly the Jolly Roger at all times. Like other vessels, pirate ships usually stocked a variety of flags, and would normally fly a **false flag** or no colours until they had their prey within firing range.^[38] When the pirates' intended victim was within range, the Jolly Roger would be raised, often simultaneously with a warning shot.