

Flag flying protocol

This protocol outlines the arrangements for the flying of flags at Clacton Town Hall.

Requests to fly flags that are not covered by this policy will be determined by the Chairman of the Council in consultation with the Chief Executive.

The Union Flag

To be flown full mast on the flagpole on all days throughout the year except upon the death and funeral of the Sovereign, a senior member of the Royal Family, the Prime Minister, any other dignitary or any event as advised by the UK Government where the Union Flag will be flown at half-mast.

The St George's Flag

To be flown each year on 23rd April. The St George's Flag may also be flown to support national sports men and women during international tournaments as decided by the Chairman of the Council and Chief Executive.

The St George's Flag may be flown in addition to the Union Flag, but not in a superior position.

Additionally, the Chairman of the Council and Chief Executive have the discretion to fly national flags at full or half-mast as deemed appropriate.

Armed Forces Day

The Armed Forces Flag is flown for one week in June each year in support of the nation's armed forces to coincide with Armed Forces Week.

Merchant Navy Day

The Red Ensign is flown each year on 3rd September to honour the brave men and women who kept our 'island nation' afloat during both World Wars.

Emergency Services Day

The Emergency Services Flag is flown each year on 9th September, (from 2018 onwards) in support of over one million people who work in the British emergency services.

Commonwealth Day

The Commonwealth Flag is flown each year on 12th March to reflect the fifty-three sovereign states working together in mutual support towards shared goals of democracy, development, and respect for diversity.
