

Flag Retirement Program

As part of the national campaign to support flag etiquette, your county government introduced three locations to drop off your worn US Flag. Our County Public Library locations both in Elizabethtown and Radcliff have flag retirement boxes as well as in our County Government Center.



Drop-Off Locations

County Government Center
150 North Provident Way
Elizabethtown, Kentucky 42701
Hours: 8:00 am to 4:30 pm
Monday to Friday

County Public Library
100 Jim Owen Way
Elizabethtown, Kentucky 42701

County Public Library
800 South Logsdon Parkway
Radcliff, Kentucky 40160

Library Hours:

9:00 am to 8:00 pm
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

9:00 am to 6:00 pm
Wednesday and Friday

9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Saturday



Through a partnership with our local VFW Post 10281, we are able to sponsor this program.

Proper retirement of the American flag is a sign of respect. It honors our history and the people who fight to protect our freedom while showing reverence to our nation.

The United States Flag Code outlines proper flag etiquette for everything from folding and flying of our flag to respectful retirement of our flag.

Flag Etiquette

- ◇ Display the US flag from sunrise to sunset on buildings or a flagstaff. If displayed 24 hours a day, it must be properly illuminated for the hours of darkness.
- ◇ When placed on a single staff or lanyard, place the US flag above all other flags.
- ◇ When displayed in a row at the same height, the US flag is to the viewer's left.
- ◇ When displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall, the union (the blue field of stars) should be uppermost and to the flag's own right (viewer's left.)
- ◇ When used to cover a casket, the flag should be so placed that the union is at the head and over the left shoulder. The flag should not be lowered into the grave or allowed to touch the ground.
- ◇ When placed on a podium, the flag should be placed on the speaker's right (viewers' left.)
- ◇ On Memorial Day the flag is flown at half-staff until noon and then raised to full staff.
- ◇ It is customary to fly the flag at half-staff from sunrise to sunset on Peace Officers Memorial Day, May 14, Patriot Day, September 11, National Firefighters Memorial Day, October 8 (in 2017) and Pearly Harbor Remembrance Day, December 7.
- ◇ When flown at half-staff, it should be first hoisted to the peak for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff position.