

American Flags

A number of questions have arisen regarding American flags with modifications of colored stripes. A few residents have reported flags which the reporter found to be offensive. Please note the flag rules of the community are provided at the following link: <https://ontopoftheworldinfo.com/>. Any flags out of compliance with Community Rules will be addressed. Management will be starting with those that have already been reported and then extend out to the balance of the community. For your convenience, the flag rules are found at the above link in the Rules and Community Standards, Exhibit B, Architectural Review Board Planning Criteria.

Please click Associations, then the name of your Association in the drop down, and scroll down to Community Rules and Standards.

Flag(s)

No flag may be displayed on any lot or dwelling except as follows:

- a. One (1) portable, removable **official** United States flag, not larger than 4-1/2 feet by 6 feet, and additionally one (1) portable, removable official flag of the State of Florida or the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, or Coast Guard, or a POW-MIA flag, may be displayed at any time.
- b. With ARB approval, one (1) seasonal flag may be displayed during the applicable season only.
- c. With ARB approval, one (1) sports flag may be displayed on game day only.
- d. Flags must be displayed either on a flagpole that meets the requirements set forth below or is otherwise acceptable to the ARB, or on a mounting bracket and flag staff or mast affixed to the dwelling which have been approved by the ARB as to specifications and location.
- e. Any flag displayed together with the United States flag shall not be larger in size or displayed higher than the United States flag.
- f. All flags shall be displayed in a respectful and tasteful manner.
- g. No other flags may be displayed without ARB approval.

Flagpole

With ARB approval, one (1) freestanding flagpole may be erected on each lot for the display of permitted flags. Each flagpole shall meet the following criteria:

- a. flagpole shall be metal;
- b. flagpole shall be no more than twenty feet (20') high;
- c. flagpole shall be straight and vertical;
- d. flagpole shall not obstruct any sightline at any intersection;
- e. flagpole shall not be erected within or upon any easement;
- f. flagpole must be able to withstand wind speeds of at least one hundred ten miles per hour (110 mph); and
- g. the Owner shall have called Sunshine 811 (811 or 1-800-432-4770) and had them mark the locations of all underground utility lines prior to installation of the flagpole.