

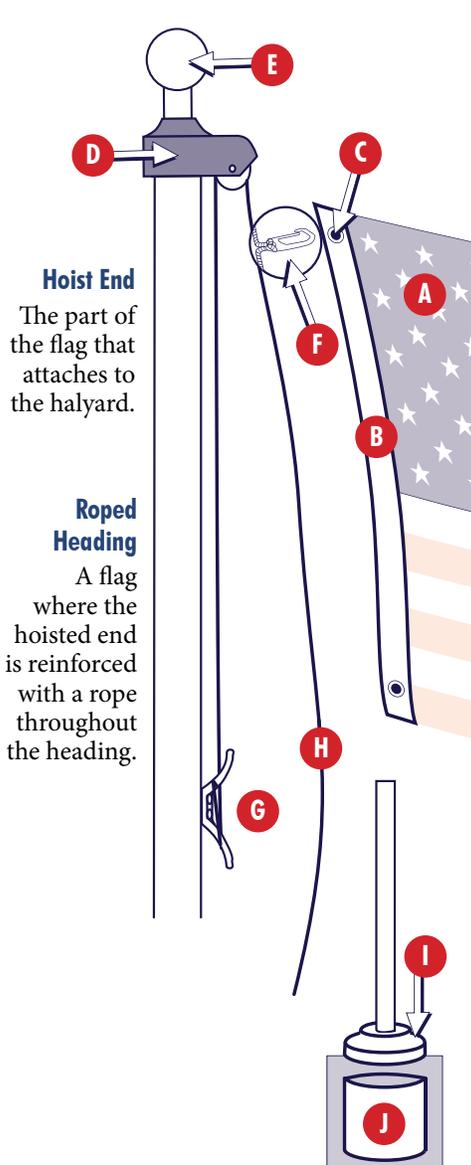
FLAG DESCRIPTION & TERMINOLOGY

- A Canton:** Blue field, white stars. Also known as Field or Jack.
- B Heading:** Heavy fabric used to secure flag to the halyard line, usually made of durable cotton or synthetic canvas.
- C Grommet:** Brass ring or eyelet (normally in the heading) for mounting outdoor flags.
- D Truck:** The device at the top of an outdoor pole that houses the pulley wheel.
- E Finial:** A decorative top for a flag pole, often an eagle, spear or ball.
- F Snap Hooks:** Hardware made of either brass or molded nylon to attach the flag to the halyard line.
- G Cleat:** The device used to secure the bottom of the flagpole halyard.
- H Halyard:** Rope used to raise the flag; can be external and tied to a cleat, or internal.
- I Flash Collar:** The cover for the base of the pole, used for cosmetic and protective purposes.
- J Foundation Tube:** Cylinder tube used as a form for the concrete base of an in-ground flag pole.



Outrigger

A flagpole mounted on a building at an angle other than vertical.



Hoist End

The part of the flag that attaches to the halyard.

Roped Heading

A flag where the hoisted end is reinforced with a rope throughout the heading.



Fly End

The end of the flag that "flies" in the breeze, also the part of the flag that endures the most stress.



SST

A type of heading that uses the base fabric of the flag to construct a sleeve that usually slides over a pole, with a tab to attach near top.



Fabric Sleeve

A type of heading that adds a piece of fabric to an existing flag to construct a sleeve that usually slides over a pole, with a tab to attach near top.

Pole Hem

The same heading as fabric sleeve but with a fabric lining.



Crown™

A flag with pole hem and fringe for indoor display and parade use.

DETERMINING FLAG SIZE

The length of the flag should be at least 1/4 the height of the pole. For example, a 40' pole requires a 6' x 10' flag or larger. This guideline applies to poles 20' and larger. Most residential flags are 3' x 5' or 4' x 6'. Most small industrial and commercial buildings use either a 5' x 8' or a 6' x 10' flag. Major industrial, municipal and government buildings require 8' x 12' and larger. However, the size of the pole is the determining factor.

Flagpole	Flag
20'	3'x5', 4'x6'
25'	4'x6', 5'x8'
30' - 35'	5'x8', 6'x10'
40' - 45'	6'x10' - 8'x12'
50'	8'x12' - 10'x15'
60' - 65'	10'x15' - 10'x19'
70' - 80'	10'x19' - 12'x18'
90' - 100'	20'x38' - 30'x50'

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