

FLAG FLYING 2023

The flag pole is located in the High Street close to the War Memorial. Cranleigh Parish Council will fly the following flags, resources permitting, in accordance with guidance from the College of Arms.

The Union Flag

The union flag shown be flown the correct way up and may be flown every day of the year. In the half of the flag nearest the flagpole, the wider diagonal white stripe must be above the red diagonal stripe:



Dates for Flying the Union Flag in 2023:

- 09 January Birthday of the Princess of Wales
- 20 January Birthday of the Countess of Wessex
- 06 February Her Majesty's Accession
- 19 February Birthday of the Duke of York
- 10 March Birthday of the Earl of Wessex
- 09 April His Majesty's Wedding Day
- 06 May Coronation Day
- 21 June Birthday of the Prince of Wales
- 17 July Birthday of the Queen Consort
- 15 August Birthday of the Princess Royal
- 11 November Remembrance Day
- 14 November Birthday of the King Charles III

What is half-mast and when should flags be flown at half mast?

When flags are to be flown at half-mast they should be two-thirds up between the top and bottom of the flagstaff with at least the height of the flag between the top of the flag and the top of the flagpole. When raising the flag it should always be hoisted right up and then lowered back down to half-mast. Likewise before it is lowered at sunset, it should first be hoisted right up and then lowered back down.

Union Flags should be flown at half-mast on the following occasions:

- From the announcement of the death up to the funeral of the Sovereign, except on Proclamation Day (the Day of the announcement of the Accession of the new Sovereign), when the flags are hoisted right up from 11:00am to sunset,
- In the event of the death of a member of the Royal Family, flags should be lowered from the day of death to the day of the funeral, subject to special commands from Her Majesty in each case,
- The funerals of foreign rulers, subject to special commands from Her Majesty in each case,
- The funerals of Prime Ministers and ex-Prime Ministers of the United Kingdom, subject to special commands from Her Majesty in each case,
- The Department for Culture, Media and Sport will inform of any other occasions where Her Majesty has given a special command.
- Local government bodies are permitted to fly the Union Flag at half-mast to mark local as well as national commemorations or losses.

Commonwealth Day

The Commonwealth of Nations Flag will fly on Monday 13 March 2023.

St George's Day

The St George's Flag will fly on Sunday 23 April 2023.

Surrey Day

The Surrey Flag will fly on Saturday 13 May 2023.

Cranleigh Civic Flag

The Cranleigh Civic Flag can be flown for:

• full meetings of the Council

And at half mast for:

- Death of ex-Chairman
- Death of a member of the council
- A member of council staff who died during the course of carrying out the duties of his/her employment

Armed Forces Day

The Armed Forces Flag will be raised on Saturday 24 June 2023 at 10.00am to salute the work and dedication of our Armed Forces for the Armed Forces Day on Saturday 24 June 2023.

<u>Commemoration of 105 years since the Battle of Ypres (Passchendaele)</u> The Lest We Forget Flag will fly on Monday 31 July 2023

Merchant Navy Day

The Red Ensign Flag will fly on Sunday 03 September 2023 to show support for seafarers on Merchant Navy Day.

<u>VE Day</u> MONDAY 08 May 2023