

## TOWN OF CHESHIRE

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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

## **Flag Policy**

## I. <u>Introduction</u>

This Policy is intended to address flags allowed to be flown on Town of Cheshire flagpoles.

## II. Flags Allowed to Be Flown

The Board of Selectmen authorizes the following flags to be flown on Town-owned flagpoles, as an official expression of the Town's governmental speech, to which the strictures of the First Amendment do not apply:

- The official flag of the United States of America;
- The official flag of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts;
- The official flag of the Town of Cheshire;
- The official flags of the various branches of military services of the United States of America; and/or
- The official MIA-POW flag.

No other flags shall be allowed to be flown on Town of Cheshire-owned flagpoles, as those flagpoles and this policy are not intended to establish or serve to create a forum for private expression.

Adopted by vote of the Board of Selectmen: December 12, 2023