

FLAG ACT,  
B.E. 2522 (1979)<sup>1</sup>

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BHUMIBOL ADULYADEJ, REX;  
Given on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of April B.E. 2522;  
Being the 34<sup>th</sup> Year of the Present Reign.

His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej is graciously pleased to proclaim that:  
Whereas it is expedient to revise the law on flags;  
Be it, therefore, enacted by the King, by and with the advice and consent of  
the National Legislative Assembly acting as the National Assembly, as follows:

**Section 1.** This Act is called the “Flag Act B.E. 2522 (1979)”.

**Section 2.**<sup>2</sup> This Act shall come into force as from the day following the date  
of its publication in the Government Gazette.

**Section 3.** The following shall be repealed:

- (1) Flag Act B.E. 2479 (1936);
- (2) Flag Act (No.2) B.E. 2481 (1938);

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(3) Flag Act (No.3) B.E. 2483 (1940);

(4) Flag Act (No.4) B.E. 2485 (1942).

All other laws, rules and by-laws in so far as they have already been provided herein, or are contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act shall be replaced by this Act.

**Section 4.** The Prime Minister shall have charge and control of the execution of this Act and shall have the power to issue Ministerial Regulations for the execution of this Act.

The Ministerial Regulations shall come into force upon their publication in the Government Gazette.

## CHAPTER I

### FLAGS WHICH MEAN THAILAND AND THE THAI NATION

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**Section 5.** Flags which mean Thailand and the Thai nation are:

(1) the National Flag which is rectangular in shape with 6 part width and 9 part length, divided into five stripes throughout the length of the flag; with the middle stripe being 2 part wide, of deep blue colour, and the white stripes being 1 part wide next to each side of the deep blue stripes, and the red stripes being 1 part wide next to each side of the white stripes. The National Flag shall also be called “the Tri-Rong flag”;

(2) the Raja-navy Flag which is of the same characteristics as the National Flag but, in the middle of the flag, there is a red circle with the diameter of 4 parts length to the 6 parts width of the flag, with the edge of the circle touching the edge of the red stripes of the flag. In the circle, there is a charge of a white elephant in regalia on a platform facing the flag pole or the flag holder.

## CHAPTER II

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## THE ROYAL STANDARDS

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**Section 6.** The Royal Standards for His Majesty the King are:

(1) the Thong Maharaj Yai is square shape with yellow field and a red Garuda charge in the middle;

(2) the Thong Maharaj Noi is divided, length-wise, into two parts. The hoist part is of the same shape and colour as the Thong Maharaj Yai but its width is no more than 60 centimetres. The fly part is a continuous white cloth strip modified into the shape of a long and slim flag, with the furthest end of the fly part being of half the size of the hoist part of the flag. The furthest end of the flag is cut into swallow-tail shape with the depth of the cut being of 3 in 8 parts ratio to the length of the flag. The length of the flag is 8 times the width of the hoist part of the flag. This flag, if hoisted instead of the Thong Maharaj Yai, means it would graciously please His Majesty the King for the gun-salute to be refrained.

**Section 7.** The Royal Standards for Her Majesty the Queen are:

(1) the Thong Rajini Yai is square shape with 2 parts width and 3 parts length and yellow field. The 2 out of 3 parts of the hoist part of the length of the flag is the same as the Thong Maharaj Yai, with the furthest end cut into swallow-tail shape and the depth of the cut being of 1 in 3 parts ratio to the length of the flag;

(2) the Thong Rajini Noi is of the same shape and colour as Thong Maharaj Noi but for its continuous ending strip of cloth, which is red in colour. This flag, if hoisted instead of the Thong Rajini Yai, means it would graciously please Her Majesty the Queen for the gun-salute to be refrained.

**Section 8.** Flags for the Royal Mother of the King are:

(1) the Thong Baromrajawong Yai is square shape, with 2 parts width and 3 parts length and yellow field. The furthest end of the flag is cut into swallow-tail shape with

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the depth of the cut being of 1 in 3 parts ratio to the length of the flag. In the middle of the hoist part of the flag, a charge of deep blue colour square with the dimension of half the width of the flag occupies the space for the 2 out of 3 parts of the flag. Within the deep blue colour square depicts the Kattiya Rajanaree Crown atop a two tier pedestal, with the top tier being smaller than the bottom, above a square tabouret, flanked by five tiered lotus shaped Royal Umbrellas on tabourets. These charges are in dark yellow.

(2) the Thong Baromrajawong Noi is divided, length-wise, into two parts. The hoist part is of the same shape and colour as the Thong Baromrajawong Yai but its width is no more than 60 centimetres. The fly part is a continuous red cloth strip modified into the shape of a long and slim flag, with the furthest end of the flag being of half the size of hoist part of the flag. The furthest end of the flag is cut into swallow-tail shape with the depth of the cut being of 3 in 8 parts ratio to the length of the flag. The length of the flag is 8 times the width of the hoist of the flag. This flag, if hoisted instead of the Thong Baromrajawong Yai, means it would please Her Royal Highness for the gun-salute to be refrained.

**Section 9.** Flags for the Heir to the Throne are:

(1) the Thong Yaowaraj Yai is square shape with two toned field where the outer frame is deep blue and the inner frame, of which the dimensions are half of the outer frame, is yellow. A red Garuda charge is depicted in the middle;

(2) the Thong Yaowaraj Noi is divided, length-wise, into two parts. The hoist part is of the same shape and colour as the Thong Yaowaraj Yai but its width is no more than 60 centimetres. The fly part is a continuous white cloth strip modified into the shape of a long and slim flag, with the furthest end of the flag being of half the size of the hoist of the flag. The furthest end of the flag is cut into swallow-tail shape with the depth of the cut being of 3 in 8 parts ratio to the length of the flag. The length of the flag is 8 times the width of the hoist part of the flag. This flag, if hoisted instead of the Thong Yaowaraj Yai, means it would please His Royal Highness for the gun-salute to be refrained.

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**Section 10.** Flags for the Royal Consort of the Heir to the Throne are:

(1) the Thong Yaowaraj Yai Fai Nai is square shape with 2 parts width and 3 parts length. The 2 out of 3 parts of the hoist part of the length of the flag is the same as the Thong Yaowaraj Yai, with the furthest end cut into swallow-tail shape and the depth of the cut being of 1 in 3 parts ratio to the length of the flag;

(2) the Thong Yaowaraj Noi Fai Nai is of the same shape and colour as the Thong Yaowaraj Noi but for its continuous ending strip of cloth, which is red in colour. This flag, if hoisted instead of the Thong Yaowaraj Yai Fai Nai, means it would please Her Royal Highness for the gun-salute to be refrained.

**Section 11.** Flags for the Sons of and the Elder and Younger Brothers of the King of every Reign are:

(1) the Thong Rajawong Yai Fai Na is square shape with deep blue field. A yellow circle with the diameter of half the width of the flag is in the middle of the flag. In the circle, a charge of a red Garuda is depicted;

(2) the Thong Rajawong Noi Fai Na is divided, length-wise, into two parts. The hoist part is of the same shape and colour as the Thong Rajawong Yai Fai Na but its width is no more than 60 centimetres. The fly part is a continuous white cloth strip modified into the shape of a long and slim flag, with the furthest end of the flag being of half the size of the hoist part of the flag. The furthest end of the flag is cut into swallow-tail shape with the depth of the cut being of 3 in 8 parts ratio to the length of the flag. The length of the flag is 8 times the width of the hoist part of the flag. This flag, if hoisted instead of the Thong Rajawong Yai Fai Na, means it would please His Royal Highness for the gun-salute to be refrained.

**Section 12.** Flags for the Daughters of and the Elder and Younger Sisters of the King of every Reign are:

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(1) the Thong Rajawong Yai Fai Nai is square shape with 2 parts width and 3 parts length. The 2 out of 3 parts of the hoist part of the length of the flag is the same as the Thong Rajawong Yai Fai Na, with the furthest end, being of deep blue colour, cut into swallow-tail shape and the depth of the cut being of 1 in 3 parts ratio to the length of the flag;

(2) the Thong Rajawong Noi Fai Nai is of the same shape and colour as the Thong Rajawong Noi Fai Na but for its continuous ending strip of cloth, which is red in colour. This flag, if hoisted instead of the Thong Rajawong Yai Fai Nai, means it would please Her Royal Highness for the gun-salute to be refrained.

### CHAPTER III MILITARY COLOURS

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**Section 13.** Military colours are:

(1) the Thong Chai Chelernpol is the regimental flag bestowed upon by the King. There are 3 types, which are the Thong Chai Chelernpol of the Royal Thai Army, the Thong Chai Chelernpol of the Royal Navy and the Thong Chai Chelernpol of the Royal Air Force;

(2) Military Flags, there are 4 types which are, the Naval Jack, the Royal Thai Army Flag, the Royal Thai Navy Flag and the Royal Thai Air Force Flag;

(3) Military Rank, Command and Unit Flags.

**Section 14.** The Thong Chai Chelernpol of the Royal Thai Army is of the same characters as the National Flag but for its square shape with each side being of 70 centimetres wide. In the middle of the flag the Unalome charge of the Army is depicted with the name of the unit in yellow-edged red letters written in a curve embracing the underside of the Unalome charge of the Army. On the canton part of the flag, there depicts

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a charge of the Phra Maha Mongkut and the number, written in yellow Thai number, of the Reign in which the flag was bestowed. Underneath the Phra Maha Mongkut, the Royal Cypher is depicted in yellow-edged red letters with sky blue radiance. On the edge of the flag at the side next to the flag pole, there are red and black crossed strands, while pleated yellow stripes of 2 centimetres wide are on other sides.

The Royal Guard Unit with the Thong Chai Chelernpol of the Royal Thai Army may also have the Thong Chai Chelernpol of the Royal Guard Unit as an additional flag. This flag is of the same characteristics as the National Flag but with the width of 70 centimetres and the length of 105 centimetres. In the middle of the flag, there is a red rectangle of 35 centimetre wide and 52.5 centimetre long. Inside the rectangle, a charge of a white elephant in regalia on a platform facing the flagpole is depicted. On the upper canton part, there is a charge of the Phra Maha Mongkut and the number, written in yellow Thai number, of the Reign in which the flag was bestowed. Underneath the Phra Maha Mongkut, the Royal Cypher is depicted in yellow and the name of the unit, in yellow, is written in a curve embracing the underside of the Phra Maha Mongkut. On the edge of the flag at the side next to the flag pole, there are red and black crossed strands while pleated yellow stripes of 2 centimetres wide are on other sides.

The Thong Chai Chelernpol of the Units under the Supreme Command Head Quarter is of the same characteristics as The Thong Chai Chelernpol of the Royal Thai Army under paragraph one.

**Section 15.** The Thong Chai Chelernpol of the Royal Thai Navy is of the same characteristics as the National Flag but in the middle of the flag there is a charge of an eight-point Chakra, with the points of the Chakra turning to the left, and an anchor inserted into such Chakra underneath the Phra Maha Mongkut. These charges are in yellow. On the edge of the flag at the side next to the flag pole, there are red crossed strands.

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**Section 16.** The Thong Chai Chelernpol of the Royal Thai Air Force is of the same characteristics as the National Flag but for its square shape with each side being of 70 centimetres wide. In the middle of the flag, there is a sky blue circle with a diameter of 2 out of 3 parts of the width of the flag. Inside the circle, the Unalome charge of the Air Force is depicted with the name of the unit in yellow-edged red letters written in a curve embracing the underside of the sky blue circle. On the upper canton of the flag, there depicts an charge of the Phra Maha Mongut and the number, written in yellow Thai number, of the Reign in which the flag was bestowed. Underneath the Phra Maha Mongut, the Royal Cypher is depicted in yellow-edged red letters with sky blue radiance. On the edge of the flag at the side next to the flag pole, there are red and black crossed strands while pleated yellow stripes of 2 centimetres wide are on other sides.

**Section 17.** The materials which are to be made into the flag, the pattern on the flag or parts of the flags in the Thong Chai Chelernpol under section 14, section 15 or section 16 may be prescribed by Ministerial Regulations.

**Section 18.** In a case where a unit is bestowed with a Thong Chai Chelernpol and then the Royal Thai Decoration or Insignia or that the Royal Decoration or Insignia is then bestowed upon from abroad, such emblem may be decorated on the flag or parts of the flag.

**Section 19.** The Naval Jack is of the same characteristic as the National Flag but in the middle of the flag there is an eight-point Chakra, with the points of the Chakra turning to the left, and an anchor inserted into such Chakra underneath the Phra Maha Mongut. These charges are in yellow.

This flag is used on the Royal Barges and Royal Vessels, or as a flag for the Royal Thai Navy Unit that has landed where such Unit has not been bestowed the Thong Chai Chelernpol.

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**Section 20.** The Royal Thai Army Flag is rectangular shape with 2 parts width and 3 parts length and a red field. In the middle of the flag, the Royal Thai Army Emblem is depicted in yellow.

**Section 21.** The Royal Thai Navy Flag is rectangular shape with 6 parts width and 9 parts length and a deep blue field. In the middle of the flag, there is a white yellow circle with the diameter of 4 parts out of 6 parts of the width of the flag. Inside the circle, there is an eight-point Chakra, with the points of the Chakra turning to the left, and an anchor inserted into such Chakra underneath the Phra Maha Mongkut. These charges are in yellow.

**Section 22.** The Royal Thai Air Force Flag is rectangular shape with 2 parts width and 3 parts length and a sky blue field. In the middle of the flag, the Royal Thai Air Force Emblem is depicted in yellow.

**Section 23.** Military Rank flags are:

- (1) The Royal Thai Army Military Rank Flag;
- (2) The Royal Thai Navy Military Rank Flag;
- (3) The Royal Thai Air Force Military Rank Flag.

**Section 24.** The Royal Thai Army Military Rank Flag is rectangular shape with 2 parts width and 3 parts length and a red field. There are 5 levels, which are:

(1) Field Marshal Flag which has, in the middle of the flag, charges arranged into a pentagonal shape of Royal Baton and Saber crossed above a wreath of leaves in the middle of a group of 5 five-pointed stars; one side of the pentagonal shape arrangement shall be its underside which runs in parallel with the bottom edge of the flag; these charges are depicted in yellow;

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(2) General Flag which has, in the middle of the flag, charges of 4 five-pointed yellow stars arranged in a rhombus shape where each angle of the rhombus shape arrangement shall be placed along the length of the flag;

(3) Lieutenant General Flag which has, in the middle of the flag, charges of 3 five-pointed yellow stars arranged in a triangular shape; the base of the triangular shape arrangement shall be its underside which runs in parallel with the bottom edge of the flag;

(4) Major General Flag which has, in the middle of the flag, charges of 2 five-pointed yellow stars arranged along the length of the flag;

(5) Brigadier General Flag has a charge of 1 five-pointed yellow star in the middle of the flag.

**Section 25.** The Royal Thai Navy Military Rank Flag is square shape with a deep blue field and a white eight-pointed Chakra charge. The points of the Chakra turn to the left. There are 5 levels, which are:

(1) Admiral of the Fleet Flag which has 5 charges of Chakra, with 1 Chakra on each of the four corners of the flags and 1 Chakra in the middle of the flag;

(2) Admiral Flag which has 4 charges of Chakra, with 1 Chakra on each of the four corners of the flag;

(3) Vice Admiral Flag which has 3 charges of Chakra arranged in a triangular shape in the middle of the flag; the base of the triangular shape arrangement shall be its underside which runs in parallel with the bottom edge of the flag;

(4) Rear Admiral Flag which has 2 charges of Chakra vertically arranged in parallel the middle of the flag;

(5) Commodore Flag which has 1 charge of Chakra in the middle of the flag.

**Section 26.** The Royal Thai Air Force Military Rank Flag is rectangular shape with 5 parts width and 6 parts length and a sky blue field. There are 5 levels, which are:

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(1) Marshal of the Royal Thai Air Force Flag which has, in the middle of the flag, charges arranged into a pentagonal shape of Royal Baton and Saber crossed above a wreath of leaves in the middle of a group of 5 five-pointed stars; one side of the pentagonal shape arrangement shall be its underside which runs in parallel with the bottom edge of the flag; these charges are depicted in white;

(2) Air Chief Marshal Flag which has, in the middle of the flag, charges of 4 five-pointed white stars arranged in a rhombus shape where each angle of the rhombus shape arrangement shall be placed along the length of the flag;

(3) Air Marshal Flag which has, in the middle of the flag, charges of 3 five-pointed white stars arranged in a triangular shape; the base of the triangular shape arrangement shall be its underside which runs in parallel with the bottom edge of the flag;

(4) Air Vice Marshal Flag which has, in the middle of the flag, charges of 2 five-pointed white stars arranged along the length of the flag;

(5) Air Commodore Flag which has a charge of 1 five-pointed white star in the middle of the flag.

**Section 27.** Command Flags are:

- (1) Chief of Defence Forces of Thailand Flag;
- (2) The Royal Thai Army Command Flags;
- (3) The Royal Thai Navy Command Flags;
- (4) Commander-in-Chief of the Royal Thai Air Force Flag.

**Section 28.** The Chief of Defence Forces of Thailand Flag is rectangular shape, with 2 parts width and 3 parts length. The length of the flag is divided into three equal parts, the first part is red, the middle part is deep blue and the ending part is sky blue. In the middle of the flag, there are charges of an eight-pointed Chakra with the points of the Chakra turning to the right and an anchor inserted into such Chakra. To the left and the right sides of the Chakra is a charge of expanded bird wings embraced by the wreath of leaves.

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Underneath the wreath of leaves, there are charges of 5 five-pointed stars with one star in the middle; and to the left and the right sides of the star in the middle, there depict 2 stars on each side. These charges are in yellow, except for the anchor which is silver and the stars which are in gold. The edge of the flag is pleated with yellow stripes, except for the side next to the flag pole.

**Section 29.** The Royal Thai Army Command Flags are:

(1) The Commander-in-Chief of the Royal Thai Army Flag which is rectangular shape with 2 parts width and 3 parts length and a red field; in the middle of the flag, there is a charge of the Royal Thai Army emblem; underneath the emblem, there are charges of 5 five-pointed stars with one star in the middle and to the left and the right sides of the star in the middle there depict 2 stars on each side; these charges are in yellow;

(2) Regional Commander Flag which is of the same characteristics and colour as the Commander-in Chief of the Royal Thai Army Flag except that there are charges of 3 five-pointed stars in the middle, with 1 star underneath the Royal Thai Army emblem and 1 star each to the left and the right sides of the emblem;

(3) The Divisional Commander Flag which is of the same characteristics and colour as the Commander-in Chief of the Royal Thai Army Flag except that there are charges of 2 five-pointed stars in the middle, with 1 star each to the left and the right sides of the emblem;

**Section 30.** The Royal Thai Navy Command Flags are:

(1) The Commander-in-Chief of the Royal Thai Navy Flag which is rectangular shape with 2 parts width and 3 parts length and a deep blue field; in the middle of the flag, there are charges of an eight-pointed Chakra with the points of the Chakra turning to the right and an anchor inserted into such Chakra underneath the Phra Maha Mongkut; these charges are in yellow;

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(2) The Commander of the Fleet Flag which is of the same characteristics and colour as the Commander-in-Chief of the Royal Thai Navy Flag, but on the first 2 parts out of the 3 parts length there are charges of an eight-pointed Chakra with the points of the Chakra turning to the right and an anchor inserted into such Chakra underneath the Phra Maha Mongkut which is in the middle; the furthest end of the flag is cut into swallow-tail shape with the depth of the cut being of 1 in 3 parts ratio to the length of the flag;

(3) Commander of a Squadron Flag which is of the same characteristics and colour as the Commander of the Fleet Flag but the furthest end of the flag, which is cut into swallow-tail shape, is white;

(4) Fleet Platoon Leader Flag which is isosceles triangle shape, the base of the triangle being on the side of the flag pole, with there being 2 parts width and 5 parts length and a deep blue field. On the 2 parts out of the 5 parts of the hoist part of the flag, there is a yellow anchor in the middle;

(5) Fleet Squad Leader Flag which is of the same characteristics and colour as the Fleet Platoon Leader Flag, but the end parts out of 5 parts of the fly part of the flag are white.

(6) Temporary Chief Flag which is of the same characteristics and colour as the Fleet Platoon Leader Flag, but the 3 parts out of 5 parts of the hoist part of the flag is white with a deep blue anchor in the middle;

(7) Commanding Officer Flag which is isosceles triangle shape with the base of the triangle being on the side of the flag pole; the width is no more than 20 centimetres, with the length of the flag being 30 times of the base side; the 1 part out of 3 parts of the hoist part of the flag is red. The 2 parts out of 3 parts of the fly part of the flag are deep blue;

(8) Commandant of Naval Base Flag which is of the same characteristics and colour as the Commander of the Fleet Flag but the furthest end of the flag, which is cut into swallow-tail shape, is sky blue;

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(9) Commander of a Coastal Station Flag which is of the same characteristics and colour as the Commander of the Fleet Flag but the furthest end of the flag, which is cut into swallow-tail shape, is red;

(10) Commander of the Royal Thai Marine Corps which is of the same characteristics and colour as the Commander of the Fleet Flag but the furthest end of the flag, which is cut into swallow-tail shape, is yellow.

**Section 31.** The Commander-in-Chief of the Royal Thai Air Force Flag is rectangular shape with 2 parts width and 3 parts length and a sky blue field. The borders of the flag are edged with yellow on all 4 sides and in the middle of the flag there are charges of 2 yellow bird wings. An escutcheon depicting a slanting National Flag is between the beginnings of the wings. Above the escutcheon, there is a white Unalome underneath the Phra Maha Mongkut radiating yellow.

**Section 32.** The Royal Thai Army Unit Flags are:

(1) Army Unit Flag which is rectangular shape with 2 parts width and 3 parts length; the colours are divided into 2 parts; the upper part, which is the part from the bottom corner of the flag pole slanting up to the upper corner, is in red. The lower part, which is the rest of the part, is magenta. In the red part, on the upper corner section of the flag next to the flag pole, there is an emblem of the Royal Thai Army. Underneath the Royal Thai Army emblem, there are 3 yellow five-pointed stars arranged along the length of the flag;

(2) Division Unit Flag which is of the same characteristics as the Army Unit Flag but, underneath the Royal Thai Army Emblem, there are 2 yellow five-pointed stars arranged along the length of the flag;

(3) Regiment Unit Flag which is of the same characteristic as the Division Unit Flag but there is no star underneath the Royal Thai Army Emblem; for the Cadet Regimental Unit Flag, the lower part of the flag is yellow and on the upper corner of the flag next to the

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flag pole there is the National Emblem of the Reign of His Majesty King Chulalongkorn instead of the Royal Thai Army Emblem and there is a band embracing the underside of the National Emblem; these charges are in yellow; inside the band the message “Cadet Regimental Unit” is written in red; for Special Operation Forces which are in the same level as a Regimental Unit, in the middle of the lower part of the flag, there is a yellow parachutist badge of appropriate size; and for Aviation Units which are in the same level as a Regimental Unit, in the middle of the lower part of the Flag, there is a white aviation capability badge of appropriate size;

(4) Battalion Unit Flag is rectangular shape with 2 parts width and 3 parts length; the colours are divided into 2 parts; the upper part, which is the part from the bottom corner of the flag pole slanting up to the upper corner, is in red. The lower part, which is the rest of the part is further divided into two parts by dividing from the centre point of the diagonal line slanting to the lower corner on the outside; the colour of the beginning part next to the flagpole is in accordance with the colour of the military unit; the furthest end is white; on the upper corner of the flag next to the flagpole, there is the Royal Thai Army emblem; for infantry battalion, there shall be a red band over the joint of the slanting diagonal line; for the Cadet Battalion Unit, the bottom part of the flag next to the flagpole is yellow, in the middle of the flag on the part next to the flagpole, there is the National Emblem and the same kind of band as the Cadet Regimental Unit; for Special Operation Forces which are in the same level as a Battalion unit, in the middle of the lower part of the flag, there is a yellow parachutist badge of appropriate size; and for the Aviation Units which are in the same level as a Battalion Unit, in the middle of the lower part of the Flag, there is a white aviation capability badge of appropriate size.

The lower part of the flag, showing military units under (2), (3) and (4) is the colour of such military unit’s colour as follows:

- |   |                |
|---|----------------|
| (a) Infantry and Special Operation Forces | white,         |
| (b) Cavalry                               | wedgwood blue, |
| (c) Artillery and Cadet                   | yellow,        |

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|---------------------------|----------------|
| (d) Engineer              | black,         |
| (e) Signal Corps          | purple,        |
| (f) Transportation Corps  | crimson,       |
| (g) Medical Corps         | green,         |
| (h) Military Police Corps | blue,          |
| (i) Ordnance Corps        | orange-red,    |
| (j) Aviation Unit         | pale sky blue. |

For the Military Unit Flags under (1), (2), (3) and (4), if there are 2 or more units of which there are branches and are in the same level, the abbreviation of the unit's names or the unit's number shall be in Thai numbering in the middle of the lower part of the flag.

Except as otherwise prescribed in paragraph one, the army may have other additional Military Unit Flags or may have other additional Military Unit Flags for military units which are of the same level as the Army Unit, Division Unit, Regiment Unit or Battalion Unit, by prescribing them in the Ministerial Regulation.

**Section 33.** Aviation Unit Flags are as follows:

- (1) Unit Flag of the Force, from the levels of squadron or battalion upwards, which is rectangular shape with 2 parts width and 3 parts length and a sky blue field; in the middle of the flag, there is a yellow charge of the Royal Air Force emblem and the name of such military unit written in Prussian blue in a curve embracing the underside of the Royal Air Force emblem;
- (2) Unit Flag of the Independent Force, in accordance with the Royal Air Force's prescription, which is of the same characteristics and colours as the Unit Flag of the Force from the levels of squadron or battalion upwards.

#### CHAPTER IV THE PITAK SANTIRAJ FLAG

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**Section 34.** The Pitak Santiraj Flag of the Police Department is of the same characteristics and colours as the National Flag but in the middle of the flag there is a charge of the National Emblem of the Reign of His Majesty King Chulalongkorn with the word “to protect the people’s peace” embroidered in silver metallic threads embracing the underside of the National Emblem.

The materials which are to be made into the pattern on the flag or parts of the flag for the Pitak Santiraj Flag under paragraph one may be prescribed by Ministerial Regulations.

**CHAPTER V**  
**FLAGS FOR THE VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS AND**  
**CHANGWAT VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS**

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**Section 35.** The Volunteer Defence Corps Flag is of the same characteristics and colours as the National Flag but the flag is square shape with each side being 72 centimetres wide. On the obverse of the flag, in the upper corner part next to the flagpole, there is a charge of the Phra Maha Mongkut and the number, written in yellow Thai number, of the Reign in which the flag was bestowed. Underneath the Phra Maha Mongkut, the Royal Cypher is depicted in yellow-edged gold letters with gold radiance, and in the middle of the flag there is a red circle of 34 centimetres in diameter. The circular rim is yellow. There is a charge of King Naresuan astriding an elephant inside the circle and a message “the Volunteer Defence Corps” embroidered in gold metallic thread in a curve line embracing the underside of the circle. The reverse of the flag, in the middle of the flag, there are charges of a wreath of leaves and Unalome in the middle underneath the Phra Maha Mongkut, embroidered in gold metallic thread. The edge of the flag on the side next to the flag pole is red. Other sides are fringed in yellow.

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**Section 36.** The *Changwat* Volunteer Defence Corps is of the same characteristics and colour as the Volunteer Defence Corps Flag but on the obverse of the flag, underneath the message “the Volunteer Defence Corps.”, there shall be the name of the *Changwat* that the Volunteer Defence Corps is located embroidered in gold metallic thread.

**Section 37.** The materials which are to be made into the pattern on the flag or parts of the flag for the flags under section 35 and section 36 may be prescribed by Ministerial Regulations.

**CHAPTER VI**  
**THE FLAGS FOR THE NATIONAL SCOUT ORGANIZATION AND**  
**THE *CHANGWAT* SCOUT ORGANIZATION**

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**Section 38.** The National Scout Organization Flag is of the same characteristics and colour as the National Flag but the flag is of 50 centimetres wide and 52 centimetres long. In the middle of the flag, there is a yellow emblem of the Wheel of Law with a diameter of 32 centimetres.

**Section 39.** The *Changwat* Scout Organization Flag is of the same characteristics and colour as the National Flag but the flag is of 40 centimetres wide and 60 centimetres long. In the middle of the flag, there is a yellow circle with a diameter of 27 centimetres and 2 overlapping black circular rims, with the outer rim being 2 millimetres wide and the inner rim being 1 millimetre wide and the distance between the outer rim and the inner rim is 2 millimetre apart. In the middle of the circle, there is a yellow emblem of

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the National Scout Organization and underneath the emblem there shall be the name of the *Changwat* in black letters.

## CHAPTER VII

### GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL FLAGS

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**Section 40.** In a case where the characteristics of a flag have not been specifically prescribed, the National Flag shall be the flag for the indication of a governmental position or governmental agency.

**Section 41.** The following flags shall be the governmental flags to be raised on a ship, only during the operation of duty:

(1) Ship Pilot Officer Flag which is rectangular shape with 8 parts width and 12 parts length; the edges of the flag are white bands which are 1 part out of 8 parts of the width of the flag. The inside of the white bands is of the same characteristics and colour as the National Flag;

(2) Harbour Master Flag which is isosceles triangle shape, the base of the triangle being on the side of the flag pole, with 1 part width and 2 parts length; the 1 part out of the 3 parts of hoist part of the flag is of the same characteristics and colour as the National Flag and the 2 parts out of the 3 parts of the fly part of the flag are white;

(3) Telecommunication Officer of Thailand Flag which is of the same characteristics and colours as the Harbour Master Flag, except that the fly part of the flag is red; in the middle of the flag, which is in red, there is a charge of a horizontally arranged Kombu; above the Kombu, there is an Unalome inside of the radiating Phra Maha Mongut; these charges are yellow;

(4) Customs Officer Flag which is of the same characteristics and colours as the Harbour Master Flag, except that the fly part of the flag is leave-green;

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(5) Immigration Officer Flag which is of the same characteristics and colours as the Harbour Master Flag, except that the fly part of the flag is yellow; in the middle of the flag which is in yellow, there are charges of Phra Saengdarb Khane and shield in crimson;

(6) Marine Police Officer Flag which is isosceles triangle shape where the base of the triangle being on the side of the flag pole is 1 part wide; The flag is 3 parts in length, the 1 part out of the 3 parts of the hoist part of the flag is of the same characteristics and colours as the National Flag; and the 2 parts out of the 3 parts of the fly part of the flag is in crimson; in the middle of the flag, there are charges of Phra Saengdarb Khane and shield in yellow.

**Section 42.** The Royal Motorboat Flag is isosceles triangle shape with a red field, the base of the triangle being on the side of the flag pole is 1 part wide; the flag is 2 parts in length; on the hoist part of the flag, there is an charge of a deep blue square with the width of 1 out of two parts width of the flag; in the middle of the square, there is a yellow charge of the Phra Maha Mongut;

## CHAPTER VIII

### FLAGS SHOWING POSITIONS IN GENERAL

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**Section 43.** Flags Showing Positions in General are:

(1) Standard for the Regent of Thailand which is square shape with white field; in the middle of the flag, there is a yellow coat of arm with the width of 1 part out of 2 parts of the width of the flag; inside the yellow coat of arm, there is another coat of arm with the colours of the National Flag with the width of 3 parts out of 5 parts of the width of the yellow coat of arm; Above the coats of arm, there is a red Garuda which is of the same size as the yellow coat of arm;

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(2) Speaker of the House Flag which is rectangular shape with 5 parts width and 6 parts length and a white field; in the middle of the flag there are charges of the Constitution enshrined upon a gold 2-tier pedestal underneath the Phra Maha Mongut which is in yellow, these charges are in the middle between red Kranok designs;

(3) Prime Minister Flag which is rectangular shape with 5 parts width and 6 parts length and a white field; in the middle of the flag, there is a circle with double circumferences; in the middle of the circle, there are charges of the Constitution surrounded by radiance, enshrined upon 2-tier pedestal above a low table, and there are charges of Rajasiha and Gajasimha standing in a leaping position facing each other on 2 sides; these charges are red and are underneath the yellow charge of the Phra Maha Mongut;

(4) President of the Supreme Court Flag which is rectangular shape with 5 parts width and 6 parts length and a white field; in the middle of the flag there is a circle with double circumferences, in the middle of the circle, there are charges of the Phra Saeng Khan as a stake to balanced scales which are entwined on the Phra Saeng Khan's handle; these charges are in red, underneath the yellow charge of the Phra Maha Mongut;

(5) Minister of Defence Flag which is rectangular shape with 5 parts width and 6 parts length and a white field; in the middle of the flag, there are charges of a red eight-pointed Chakra with the points of the Chakra turning to the right and a deep blue anchor inserted into the Chakra; on the left and right sides of the Chakra, there are charges of spreading blue bird wings, underneath the yellow Phra Maha Mongut;

(6) Ambassador Standard which is of the same characteristics and colours as the National Flag; in the middle of the flag, there is a deep blue circle with the diameter of 2 parts out of 3 parts of the width of the flag; inside the circle, there is a white elephant in regalia on a platform facing the flagpole; this flag is used for the head of diplomatic mission who has been appointed by the Royal Credential;

(7) Consular Flag which is of the same characteristics and colours as the National Flag; in the middle of the flag, there is a deep blue circle with the diameter of 2 parts out of 3 parts of the width of the flag; inside the circle, there is a white elephant facing

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the flagpole; this flag is used for the head of consular mission who has been appointed by the Royal Command.

**Section 44.** The Prime Minister or a government agency assigned by the Prime Minister shall undertake to accurately make flags in accordance with the characteristics prescribed under this Act as examples.

## CHAPTER IX

### USING, HOISTING OR PRESENTING THE FLAGS

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**Section 45.** The using, hoisting or presenting the flags which mean Thailand and the Thai nation under section 5 shall be in accordance with the Rules of the Office of the Prime Minister.

**Section 46.** Using, hoisting or presenting foreign flags in the Kingdom may only be done in cases of national flags; royal navy flags or navy flags; flags for the King, the Queen, the Prince Consort, the Heir; flags representing the position of the Head of State or Head of Government; flags representing head of diplomatic mission; foreign governmental flags; flags of international organization to which the Thai Government is a party; and other foreign flags which have been granted permission by the Prime Minister.

The foreign flags under paragraph one may be used, hoisted or presented at the following places:

(1) the residence or vehicle of the King, the Queen, the Prince Consort, the Heir, the Head of State or his or her representative, or the Head of Government in the occasion of a state visit to Thailand;

(2) offices of the diplomatic mission, consular or international organization, and including the agencies of the international organization;

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(3) the place of abode, residence or vehicle for the head of diplomatic mission, head of the consular or head of office of the international organization, and including the head of the agencies of the international organization;

(4) foreign vessels or aircrafts, or those belonging to an international organization;

(5) foreign state's vessels or aircrafts; or

(6) other places as the Prime Minister may announce for the allowance of the usage, hoisting or presentation of the flag, or as permitted by the Prime Minister.

The usage, hoisting or presentation of the flags under (1) to (4) shall be in accordance with international custom, international law or agreements with the Thai Government.

The usage, hoisting or presentation of the flags under (5) and (6) shall be in accordance with the Rules of the Office of the Prime Minister.

**Section 47.** The provision of section 46 shall not be used for the usage, hoisting or presentation of foreign flag inside a room of a building.

## CHAPTER X PENALTY PROVISIONS

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**Section 48.** Any person who violates section 45 shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or to a fine not exceeding four thousand baht or to both.

**Section 49.** Any person who flies, hoists or presents other foreign flags apart from those prescribed to be used flew or presented under section 46 paragraph one shall be

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liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year, or to a fine not exceeding two thousands baht or to both.

**Section 50.** Any person who uses, hoists or presents a foreign flag without complying with section 46 paragraph two, paragraph three or paragraph four shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one month or to a fine not exceeding one thousand baht or to both.

**Section 51.** Any person who uses, hoists or presents a flag whose characteristics have been prescribed under this Act, or as prescribed in the Ministerial Regulations issued under this Act, without the right to do so, or who uses, hoists or presents a flag which is similar to such flag shall be liable to imprisonment for a term no exceeding one year or to a fine not exceeding two thousand baht or to both.

**Section 52.** Any person who uses or presents a flag, a replica of a flag or colour bands of a flag whose characteristics have been prescribed under this Act or as prescribed by a Ministerial Regulation issued under this Act on a container, package, wrapping, binder or any other objects in an inappropriate manner shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding one thousand baht or to both.

**Section 53.** Any person who commits one of the following acts to flags under section 5 or section 6:

(1) creating charges, letters, numbers or any other symbol on the flag, the replica of the flag or the colour bands of the flag outside of what have been prescribed under this Act or other laws;

(2) using, hoisting or presenting the flag, the replica of the flag or the colour bands of the flags with the characteristics under (1);

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(3) using, hoisting or presenting the flag, the replica of the flag or colour bands of the flag at an inappropriate place or in an inappropriate manner;

(4) placing the flag, the replica of the flag or the colour bands of the flags at an inappropriate place or in an inappropriate manner;

(5) inappropriately presenting or using any object with an image of the flag, the replica of the flag or the colour bands of the flag with the characteristics under (4);

shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or to a fine not exceeding two thousand baht or to both.

**Section 54.** Any person who commits any act in an insulting manner to the flag, the replica of the flag or the colour bands of the flag whose characteristics have been prescribed under this Act or as prescribed in the Ministerial Regulations issued under this Act shall be liable to imprisonment to a term not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding one thousand baht or to both.

#### TRANSITORY PROVISIONS

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**Section 55.** The Thong Chai Chalermphol or the Royal Thai Army Colour, the Royal Thai Navy Colour and the Royal Thai Air Force Colour which have been in use before this Act comes into force shall be deemed to be the Thong Chai Chalermphol in accordance with this Act until a new Thong Chai Chalermphol is bestowed.

**Section 56.** During the period where the Ministerial Regulations or Announcement under this Act have not yet been issued, all of the Ministerial Regulations and Announcement issued under the Flag Act B.E. 2479 (1936), which are in force before the date that this Act comes into force, shall still be in force in so far as they are not inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Act.

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