



U.S. Flags

Collection and Disposal

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Flag Collection Places

- Do you know where to take a worn US Flag for disposal
- The internet won't really tell you
- Newspapers won't tell you
- Your neighbors probably don't know

Where to Drop Off Your Flag

- Boy Scout Troop
- The American Legion
- Veterans of Foreign Wars
- Local SAR Chapter

A New Way to Collect Flags

- The Robert Forsyth Chapter, Georgia Society has come up with a new way to collect flags
- They devised a method to partner with the DAR and the Boy Scouts to collect flags
- This new partnership counts towards Americanism points

US FLAG RETURN

PULL
Flag Recycling

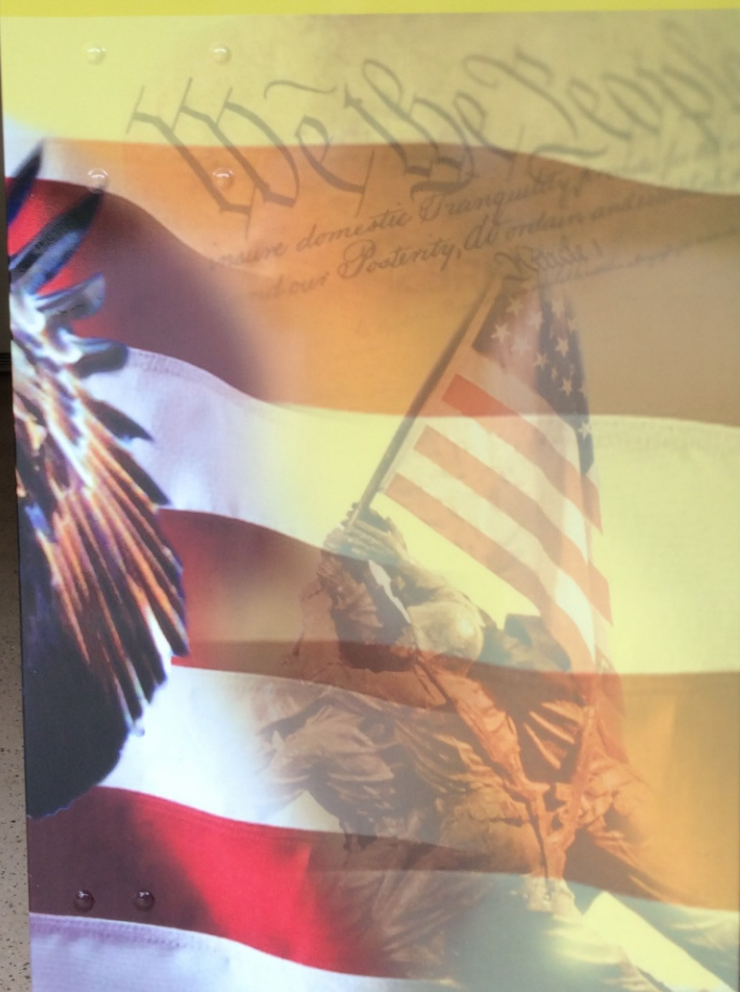




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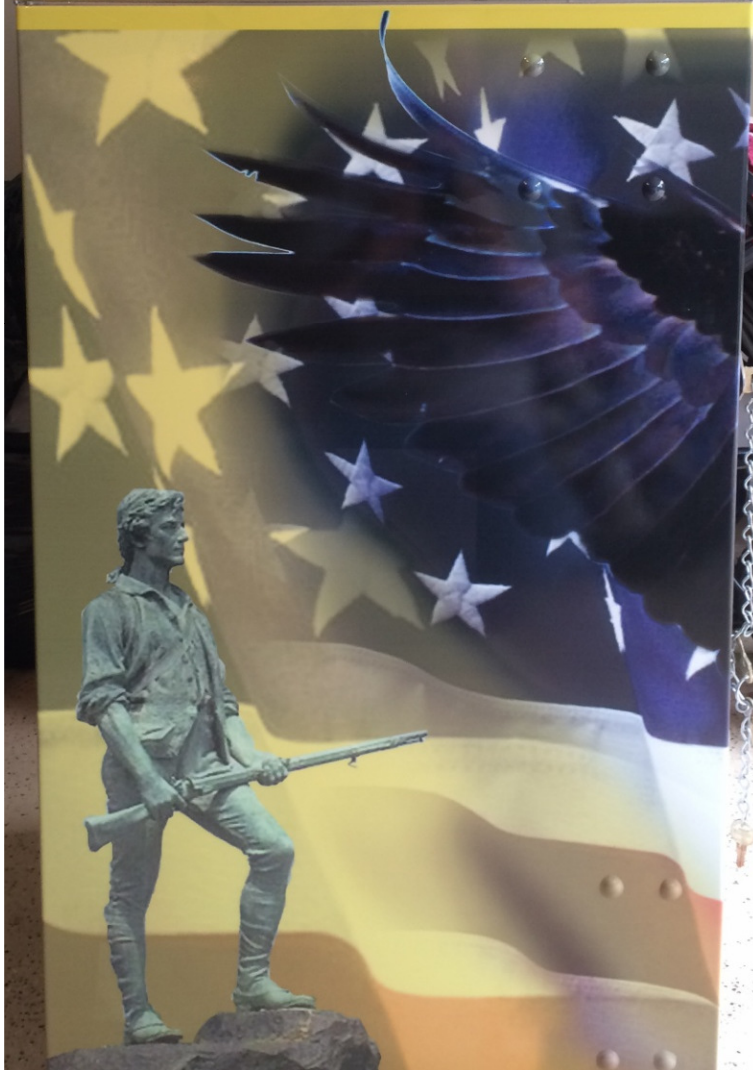




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Flag Bin Program

- Bins are placed in high traffic commercial businesses
- Bins are emptied by the partners
- Flags are burned at a crematorium
- Partners pay for the bin
- Approximately 1,000 flags have been collected
- There are now 4 bins in place



Flag Disposal Ceremony

- The Robert Forsyth Chapter hold a Flag Disposal Ceremony on Flag Day each year
- Boy Scouts and local DAR participate
- The ceremony is advertised in the local papers
- The public is invited to come and bring their flags
- Last Flag Day they disposed of over 650 flags

Definition of U.S. Flag

- Chapter 1 of Title 4 of the United States Code (4 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq.*)
- The words "flag, standard, colors, or ensign", as used herein, shall include any flag, standard, colors, ensign, or any picture or representation of either, or of any part or parts of either, made of any substance or represented on any substance, of any size evidently purporting to be either of said flag, standard, colors, or ensign of the United States of America or a picture or a representation of either, upon which shall be shown the colors, the stars and the stripes, in any number of either thereof, or of any part or parts of either, by which the average person seeing the same without deliberation may believe the same to represent the flag, colors, standard, or ensign of the United States of America.

Proper Disposal

1. The flag should be folded in its customary manner.
2. It is important that the fire be fairly large and of sufficient intensity to ensure complete burning of the flag.
3. Place the flag on the fire.

Proper Flag Disposal

4. The individual(s) can come to attention, salute the flag, recite the Pledge of Allegiance and have a brief period of silent reflection.
5. After the flag is completely consumed, the fire should then be safely extinguished and the ashes buried.
6. Please make sure you are conforming to local/state fire codes or ordinances.

1. Start a fire



2. Fold the Flag Properly



3. Burn the Flag



Burn Respectfully



4. Bury the Ashes

