

GUIDELINES FOR FLAGS

- There are three flags important to Guiding in Ireland – the National Flag (tricolour), the Irish Girl Guides flag and the World flag, all of which can be hired or purchased from the Dublin Distribution Centre.
- Ladybird and Brownie Units may hire or purchase a Banner which is carried on two poles by two girls.
- If a Unit is purchasing a flag or banner, they may ask the Distribution Centre to have their Unit name appliquéd onto the top of the flag.
- Flags can be either a) flown on a flag pole where a colour party of two is responsible for flag raising and lowering or b) carried on a small pole in a holster by a colour party of three and marched on.
- Units who have purchased the old IGG flag may continue to use it indefinitely for e.g. enrolment ceremonies, church parades, St. Patrick's Day parades and at Unit camps in Ireland.
- From 1st March 2010 parties representing IGG abroad must bring the new IGG flag and promotional material with the new logo with them.
- Flags and banners must always be treated with respect. By careful handling, and by carrying them well, the girls will understand more clearly what they stand for.
- When not in use, the Unit flag or banner should be tightly rolled around the flag pole and stored carefully.
- The National and IGG flags should never be used as a decoration or draped over the platform or desk of a speaker.
- The National and IGG flags should never be carried flat, except to drape a coffin.
- Flags should never be allowed to touch the ground, trail in water or become entangled in trees.
- The National and IGG flags should only be flown between sunrise and sunset.