

# American Flag Etiquette

## On the March

1. **Person carrying the American Flag should never dip the pole holding the flag. Always carry the pole straight up and down. Keep the pole straight up and down during the playing of the Star Spangled Banner. (Required) Other flags such as the Colorado Flag can be dipped.**
2. **When the American Flag is on the march there should always be a person carrying a weapon, guarding the flag, one step to the right of the flag or one step behind. A weapon can be defined as real, wooden or plastic. It can be a rifle, sabre a pistol in a holster or any simulated weapon. (Required)**
3. **If there are other flags in the same line the American Flag must be to the far right of the group. The right side of the bearer of the flag. (Required)**
4. **If there are other flags in the group the American Flag must be the tallest. (Required)**
5. **The person carrying the American Flag should wear a hat. (Optional)**
6. **The pole that the American Flag is attached to should have a gold ornament on top (Optional) and gold cords hanging free from the top. (Optional)**

**Thank you for respecting the American Flag.**

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