

(Translation)

**RULE OF THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
ON THE FLYING OF THE NATIONAL FLAG IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS,
B.E. 2547 (2004)**

Whereas it is expedient to prescribe rules on the flying of the national flag in educational institutions in order to achieve appropriateness and consistency with Clause 12 (4) of the Rule of the Office of the Prime Minister on the Use, Flying or Display of the National Flag and Foreign Flags in the Kingdom, B.E. 2529 (1986), the Ministry of Education hereby issues the Rule as follows.

Clause 1. This Rule is called the “Rule of the Ministry of Education on the Flying of the National Flag in Educational Institutions, B.E. 2547 (2004)”.

Clause 2.¹ This Rule shall come into force as from its publication in the Government Gazette.

Clause 3. The Rule of the Ministry of Education on the Flying of the National Flag in Educational Institutions of the Ministry of Education, B.E. 2530 (1987) shall be repealed.

Clause 4. In this Rule:

“educational institution” means an early childhood development centre, a school, a learning centre, a college, an institute, a university, an educational agency or any other agency which is state-owned or privately owned and of which the powers and duties or objectives lie in the provision of education;

¹ Published in Government Gazette, Vol. 121, Part 128d Special, dated 17th November 2004.

“head of an educational institution”² means the director, rector or head called by any other name of a state-owned or privately owned educational institution, of which the powers and duties or objectives lie in the provision of education.

Clause 5. Times of flying and lowering the national flag shall be as follows:

(1) on a school day, it shall be flown at the time when the school starts and lowered at 18.00 o’clock;

(2) on a non-school day, it shall be flown at 08.00 o’clock and lowered at 18.00 o’clock.

In the case where any particular educational institution is, by a cause of necessity, prevented from flying and lowering the national flag at the times prescribed in (1) or (2), the head of the educational institution shall have the power to make the determination as it may be deemed appropriate.

In the case of an educational institution which provides higher education, it shall be the power of the head of such educational institution to make the determination as it may be deemed appropriate.

Clause 6. The conduct as regards the flying and lowering of the national flag and the paying of homage to the national flag under Clause 5 shall be in accordance with the rules and procedures prescribed by an educational institution, provided that the required conduct shall be consistent with the Rule of the Office of the Prime Minister on the Use, Flying or Display of the National Flag and Foreign Flags in the Kingdom, B.E. 2529 (1986).

Clause 7.³ To mark occasions or ceremonies of particular significance, the national flag shall be flown and displayed at an educational institution on the days and for a period of time as follows:

² In Clause 4, the definition of “head of an educational institution” is amended by the Rule of the Ministry of Education on the Flying of the National Flag in Educational Institutions (No. 2), B.E. 2561 (2018).

³ Clause 7 is amended by the Rule of the Ministry of Education on the Flying of the National Flag in Educational Institutions (No. 2), B.E. 2561 (2018).

(1) New Year's Day, 1 st January:	1 day;
(2) Maka Bucha Day:	1 day;
(3) King Rama I Day and the Chakri Dynasty Commemoration Day, 6 th April:	1 day;
(4) Songkran Day, 13 th April:	1 day;
(5) Royal Ploughing Day:	1 day;
(6) Visakha Bucha Day:	1 day;
(7) Asalha Bucha Day:	1 day;
(8) Buddhist Lent Day:	1 day;
(9) His Majesty King Maha Vajiralongkorn Bodindradebayavarangkun's Birthday, 28 th and 29 th July:	2 days;
(10) Her Majesty the Queen's Birthday, 12 th August:	1 day;
(11) Thai National Flag Day, 28 th September:	1 day;
(12) United Nations Day, 24 th October:	1 day;
(13) His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej's Birthday Anniversary, National Day and Father's Day, 5 th and 6 th December:	2 days;
(14) Constitution Day, 10 th December:	1 day.

The flying and display of the national flag on other occasions or for other ceremonies of particular significance shall be as officially announced from time to time.

The flying and display of the national flag for other ceremonies of such particular significance as customarily recognised shall be conducted with due respect being paid to the flag.

Clause 8. In the case of an official announcement directing the lowering of the national flag at half mast, the national flag shall be flown to the top of the pole and, upon its reaching the top of the pole, be lowered to stand at the approximate height two-thirds of the

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height of the pole, and in lowering the flag therefrom, the flag shall first be flown to the top of the pole and then be lowered in a usual manner.

Clause 9. The Minister of Education shall have charge and control of the execution of this Rule.

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