

International Code Flags

Flag	Name & Phonetic Pronunciation	Meaning
	<p>Alfa AL-fah</p>	<p>I have a diver down; keep well clear at slow speed.</p>
	<p>Bravo BRAH-voh</p>	<p>I am taking in, discharging, or carrying dangerous cargo.</p>
	<p>Charlie CHAR-lee</p>	<p>"Yes" or "affirmative". Change of Course (Sailing Regatta)</p>
	<p>Delta DELL-tah</p>	<p>I am maneuvering with difficulty; keep clear.</p>
	<p>Echo ECK-oh</p>	<p>I am directing my course to starboard.</p>
	<p>Foxtrot FOKS-trot</p>	<p>I am disabled; communicate with me. On aircraft carriers: Flight Operations underway</p>
	<p>Golf GOLF</p>	<p>I require a pilot.</p>
	<p>Hotel hoh-TELL</p>	<p>I have a pilot on board.</p>
	<p>India IN-dee-ah</p>	<p>I am directing my course to port. (International) Coming alongside. (Navy) Round the Ends Starting Rule (Sailing Regatta)</p>
	<p>Juliet JEW-lee-ett</p>	<p>I am on fire and have dangerous cargo; keep clear.</p>

	K ilo KEY-loh	I wish to communicate with you.
	L ima LEE-mah	You should stop your vessel immediately. Come Within Hail or Follow Me (Sailing Regatta)
	M ike MIKE	My vessel is stopped; making no way. Mark Missing (Sailing Regatta)
	N ovember no-VEM-bur	No or negative. Abandonment and Re-sail (Sailing Regatta)
	O scar OSS-kur	Man overboard.
	P apa pah-PAH	All personnel return to ship; proceeding to sea (Inport).
	Q uebec Kay-BECK	Ship meets health regs; request clearance into port. (International) Boat recall; all boats return to ship. (Navy)
	R omeo ROH-me-oh	None. (International) Preparing to replenish (At sea). Ready duty ship (In port). (Navy)
	S ierra see-AIR-ah	Moving astern. (International) Conducting flag hoist drill. (Navy) Shorten Course (Sailing Regatta)
	T ango TANG-go	Keep clear; engaged in trawling. (International) Do not pass ahead of me. (Navy)
	U niform YOU-nee-form	You are running into danger.

	V ictor VIK-tah	I require assistance.
	W hiskey WISS-kee	I require medical assistance.
	X ray ECKS-ray	Stop carrying out your intentions and watch for my signals. Individual Recall (Sailing Regatta)
	Y ankee YANG-kee	I am dragging anchor. (International) Ship has visual communications duty. (Navy) Wear Life Jackets (Sailing Regatta)
	Z ulu ZOO-loo	I require a tug. 20% Scoring Penalty (Sailing Regatta)
	Code/Answer Code or Answer	Message is understood. Also, numeric decimal point. (International) Flag that follows is from the International Code of Signals. (Navy) Postponement (Sailing Regatta)
	First substitute (First Repeater) First sub	Substitute for the first flag in this hoist. (International) Also "repeats" the first flag or series of flags in this hoist Absence of flag officer or unit commander (In port). (Navy) General Recall (Sailing Regatta)
	Second substitute Second sub	Substitute for the second flag in this hoist. (International) Absence of chief of staff (In port). (Navy)
	Third substitute Third sub	Substitute for the third flag in this hoist. (International) Absence of commanding officer (In port). (Navy)
	One WUN	None. (International) Numeral one. (Navy)
	Two TOO	None. (International) Numeral two. (Navy)
	Three TREE	None. (International) Numeral three. (Navy)

	Four FOW-er	None. (International) Numeral four. (Navy)
	Five FIFE	None. (International) Numeral five. (Navy)
	Six SICKS	None. (International) Numeral six. (Navy)
	Seven SEV-en	None. (International) Numeral seven. (Navy)
	Eight ATE	None. (International) Numeral eight. (Navy)
	Nine NIN-er	None. (International) Numeral nine. (Navy)
	Zero ZEE-roh	None. (International) Numeral zero. (Navy)
	Pennant one PEN-ant WUN	Numeral one. (International) Pennant one. (Navy)
	Pennant two PEN-ant TOO	Numeral two. (International) Pennant two. (Navy)
	Pennant three PEN-ant TREE	Numeral three. (International) Pennant three. (Navy)
	Pennant four PEN-ant FOW-er	Numeral four. (International) Pennant four. (Navy) Postponement (Sailing Regatta)
	Pennant five PEN-ant FIFE	Numeral five. (International) Pennant five. (Navy)
	Pennant six PEN-ant SICKS	Numeral six. (International) Pennant six. (Navy)


	Pennant seven PEN-ant SEV-en	Numeral seven. (International) Pennant seven. (Navy)
	Pennant eight PEN-ant ATE	Numeral eight (International) Pennant eight. (Navy)
	Pennant Nine PEN-ant NIN-er	Numeral nine (International) Pennant nine. (Navy)
	Pennant zero PEN-ant ZEE-roh	Numeral zero (International) Pennant zero. (Navy)

Race Committee Flags

Flag/Shape	Name	Sounds	Meaning
	X	1 when raised	Individual Recall
	First Substitute	2 when raised 1 when lowered	General Recall
	AP	2 when raised 1 when lowered	Postponement
	I	None when raised 1 when lowered	Round the Ends Starting Rule
	C	Repetitive	Change of Course
	L	1 when raised	Come Within Hail or Follow Me
	M	Repetitive	Mark Missing
	N	3 when raised 1 when lowered	Abandonment and Resail

	S	2 when raised	Shorten Course
	Y	1 when raised	Wear Life Jacket
	N over H	3 when raised	Abandonment Return to Shore
	Z	1 when lowered	20% Scoring Penalty
	Black	1 when lowered	Hard Start: Disqualification
	Warning	1	10 minutes to start
	Preparatory	1	5 minutes to start
	Start	1	Start

Miscellaneous Flags

			
Small Craft Warning Up to 38 mph winds		Storm Warning 55-73 mph winds	

	 Gale Warning 39-54 mph winds		 Hurricane Warning 74+ mph winds
 USCG Auxiliary	 US Power Squadron	 Race Committee	 Semaphore Flag Signaling System
World Flag Database	FOTW - Flags of the World	Flags of All Countries	Nautical Flag Translator

Maritime Signal Flags



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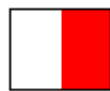
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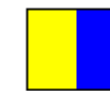
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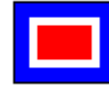
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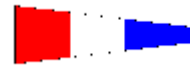
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