



FLAGS & FLAGPOLES FACT SHEET

Below is a summary of the flags and flagpoles regulations in Prince Edward County, based on current County Ordinances:

Flags:

- Size limit: 120 square feet.
- Limit of three per parcel (with a combined size limit of 120 sq. ft.)

Flagpoles:

- Height limit: 20 feet.
 - Requires a zoning permit (fee).
 - There is an exception to the height restriction in the A1, A2, C1, I1, and CR zoning districts, upon the issuance of a *special use permit*. This would permit an applicant to request a taller flag pole. Taller flagpoles are not permitted in residential zoning districts.
 - Limit of three per parcel.
- On June 13, 2023, the Board adopted an emergency ordinance to place a limit on the size of flags at 120 square feet and to limit the maximum height of flagpoles in all zoning districts to 20'. It was subsequently re-adopted following the public hearing on August 8, 2023 at the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors.
 - The Code of Virginia gives the County the authority to regulate the height of a flagpole, the setbacks on the property, and the size of the flag; but the County does NOT have the authority to regulate the content of the flag (e.g. U.S., Virginia, Black Lives Matter, Confederate, Rainbow, POW-MIA, etc.).

Questions may be directed to the County's Office of Planning & Community Development at 434-414-3037.