

## **ALEXANDER COUNTY GOVERNMENT FLAG POLICY**

I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines and procedures for flying flags at Alexander County Government buildings, facilities, and properties.

II. Policy Administration

Alexander County Public Buildings staff will monitor flags flown at each location to ensure this policy is being followed.

III. General Policy

A. When a flagpole or other suitable infrastructure exists at Alexander County Government buildings, facilities, and properties, only the following flags may be displayed – The United States flag, the North Carolina flag, and the Alexander County flag.

B. Flags will be flown and otherwise handled pursuant to Chapter 1, Title 4 of the U.S. Flag Code and the NC State Government Flag Guide.

C. Flags will be lowered in accordance with orders received from the NC Department of Administration and at other times as deemed suitable by the Alexander County Board of Commissioners.

D. Private flags shall not be allowed, either permanently or temporarily, to be flown on County flagpoles or attached or affixed in any way to any County property.

E. Flags that are no longer a fitting emblem of display shall be properly retired in accordance with Chapter 1, Title 4, Section 8(k) of the U.S. Flag Code and will be placed in the official U.S. flag disposal box located at the Alexander County Register of Deeds office.

IV. Amendments

Any amendments to this policy shall be authorized by the Alexander County Board of Commissioners.

V. Effective Date

This policy shall become effective on the date adopted by the Alexander County Board of Commissioners.

Adopted this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023.