What public agency is responsible for monitoring compliance with the Law on the National Shield, Flag and Anthem?
The Ministry of the Interior is responsible for monitoring compliance with this law; This function helps all the authorities of the country. It is the responsibility of the educational authorities to monitor their compliance in the educational campuses. The Directorate of Civic Development can guide you on how to correctly use the National Symbols.

National Emblem

Can the National Shield be modified?
No. The Shield must faithfully correspond to the characteristics indicated in Article 2. of the Law on the National Shield, Flag and Anthem; It cannot be altered under any circumstances.

Can individuals use the National Shield?
Do not; The National Shield can only appear in the vehicles used by the President of the Republic and in the official documents of the dependencies of the federal and state powers, as well as of the municipalities. It is forbidden to use it in particular documents.
National flag

When should we honor the Flag?
Whenever the National Flag is present in civic festivities or official ceremonies.

How is the National Flag honored?
The honors must consist, at least, in the simultaneous civil greeting of all the people present, and also our National Anthem should be interpreted. The honors to the Flag must always be paid in advance to those received by people.

How should you greet the National Flag?
Civilians should greet as follows: in a firm position, the extended right hand will be placed on the chest, palm down and at the level of the heart. Males should have their heads bare.

When is the flag hoisted at half mast?
On the dates declared solemn for the entire Nation, in which there is mourning, either in commemoration of the death of a national hero or heroic deeds in which Mexicans offered their lives for the homeland. These dates are established in article 15 of the Law on the National Shield, Flag and Anthem.
When is the flag hoisted at full height?
On the dates declared solemn for the entire Nation that are festive. These dates are established in article 15 of the Law on the National Shield, Flag and Anthem.

What is a Flagging ceremony?
It is a civic ceremony in which the National Flag is officially delivered to legally constituted public and private institutions, with the purpose of promoting among the people who integrate it the cult and respect for our national symbol.

Who can I turn to for guidance on the protocol and logistics for a Flagging or incineration ceremony?
You can request information and support from the Directorate of Civic Development of the Ministry of the Interior.

What should be done when a National Flag is too damaged by the passage of time? Can it be discarded?
Do not; Flags that are in such a deteriorated state that it is necessary to replace them must be incinerated in a respectful and solemn act.

Can I use the flag in my house, office, company, commerce or car?
Yes. In accordance with the Law on the National Shield, Flag and Anthem,
authorization is not required to use the National Flag on the facade of real estate, homes, offices, vehicles, commercial establishments or companies. In these cases the flag can be of any dimension and with the shield printed in black and white. However, the Flag must be given a neat and decent treatment, and the design and proportionality characteristics must be respected.

Can I register the name of my school, institution or group in the National Flag?
Yes. The Law allows authorities, institutions, groups and educational establishments to register their denominations in the national homeland, as long as this contributes to the cult of the national flag. However, to do so it is necessary to obtain authorization from the Ministry of the Interior.

How can I request authorization to register the name of my school, institution or group in the national homeland?
It is necessary to request authorization from the Ministry of the Interior. The request must specify the legend that is intended to be registered in the national homeland, the institution or group it represents, as well as the purpose for which the registration is to be made.

Can national flags of other countries be present in a civic ceremony?
Yes; However, when the presence of one or more foreign flags is required in a ceremony, event or institution, our national flag must occupy the place of honor and honors must always be paid first. If our country is host
to international events of a sports, cultural or other nature, the flags of the countries with which Mexico does not maintain diplomatic relations may concur.

National anthem

When should the National Anthem be interpreted?
The National Anthem is only executed, totally or partially, in solemn acts of an official, civic, cultural, school or sporting nature, and to render honors to the National Flag.

What is the official version of the National Anthem?
The song, execution, reproduction and circulation of the National Anthem must adhere to the lyrics and music established in articles 57 and 58 of the Law on the National Shield, Flag and Anthem.

How should the National Anthem be interpreted?
In a respectful and solemn way, making the civil demonstration of respect: in a firm position and men with their heads uncovered.

What parts of the National Anthem should be interpreted to render Honors to the Flag?
The music of the choir, the first stanza must be performed and the repetition of the choir ends.
Can the lyrics or music of the National Anthem be altered?
No, it is strictly forbidden to alter the lyrics or music of the National Anthem and execute it totally or partially in compositions or arrangements.

Under any circumstances, is it forbidden to sing the National Anthem?
YES. When it is executed for commercial or similar advertising purposes.

Can the Hymn be interpreted for advertising and / or commercial purposes?
Do not; Article 39 of the Law on the National Shield, Flag and Anthem prohibits the execution of the Anthem for commercial or similar advertising purposes.

Can the anthems of other nations be interpreted nationally?
Yes, as long as authorization has been previously obtained from the Ministry of the Interior and the diplomatic representative of the country whose anthem is to be executed.

How do you request authorization to interpret or perform the Anthem of another country?
It is necessary to request authorization from the Ministry of the
Interior. The request must specify the hymn that is intended to be executed, the event or ceremony and / or the purpose for which it is desired to interpret the foreign anthem. The authorization of the corresponding diplomatic representation must be attached, or else declare that it has been requested or its authorization will be requested.

Is it possible to reproduce or publish the lyrics and / or score of the music of the National Anthem?
Yes, but it is necessary that these editions or reproductions be authorized by the Secretariats of the Interior and Public Education, respectively. The authorization of the Interior can be processed where it is specified for what purpose it is intended to reproduce or publish the lyrics and / or scores of the National Anthem. Sample (s) of the publication must be attached. Once the authorization of the Interior is obtained, it is necessary to request that of the Ministry of Public Education.

Is it possible to translate and / or edit in indigenous languages the lyrics of the National Anthem?
Yes; however, the Ministry of the Interior and the Ministry of Education must authorize the translation in advance. Indigenous peoples and communities can directly request the authorization of their own translations of the National Anthem.

What is the procedure to request authorization to translate and / or edit the National Anthem in an indigenous language?
It must be processed before the Ministry of the Interior where the indigenous language is specified in which the Hymn is intended to be translated. A sample of the translation must be attached, which the Directorate of Civic Development will send to the National Institute of Indigenous Languages (INALI), where its relevance will be analyzed. At the same time, authorization must be requested before the Ministry of Education. Based on the INALI analysis, both units will issue the ruling they deem appropriate and will inform the interested party.

**Is it necessary to request authorization to present theater, film, radio and television shows that deal with the National Anthem and its authors, or that contain reasons for that?**

Yes; authorization must be processed before the Secretariats of the Interior and Public Education, according to their respective competences. The authorization of the Interior can be requested by means of the following form, or by means of a free writing addressed to the Directorate of Civic Development, where the purpose of the material is specified, of which sample (s) must be attached.

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