

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

In the Year Two Thousand and Sixteen

AN ORDINANCE

RELATIVE TO FLAGS AND FLAGPOLES ON CITY PROPERTY

31- 509

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of New Bedford as follows:----

SECTION 1. Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by inserting, after section 2.5, the following new section:-

2.5.1. Flagpole inventory report in city documents.

The city documents shall contain a current list of the inventory of the flagpoles in the care, custody and control of any city agency or department or any flagpoles located on any city property. The inventory list shall include a description of the location of the flagpoles; the city department or entity having custody and control of each flagpole and the height of each flagpole.

SECTION 2. Article III of Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by inserting the following new section:-

6-50. Size requirements for the display of the American Flag.

Any time the American Flag is displayed on any flagpole in the care, custody and control of any agency or department of the City of New Bedford or on any flagpole located on city property, the following shall apply:-

- a) For any flag pole height between 15 to 20 feet, the flag shall measure 3 feet by 5 feet.
- b) For any flag pole height between 21 to 29 feet, the flag shall measure 4 feet by 6 feet.
- c) For any flag pole height between 30 to 35 feet, the flag shall measure 5 feet by 8 feet.
- d) For any flag pole height between 36 to 44 feet, the flag shall measure 6 feet by 10 feet.
- e) For any flag pole height between 45 to 59 feet, the flag shall measure 8 feet by 12 feet.
- f) For any flag pole height 60 feet or more, the flag shall measure 10 feet by 15 feet.

SECTION 3. The provisions of this ordinance shall be effective on January 1, 2017.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 43 of the General Laws.