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RCEME CAMP FLAG UPDATE

References: A. BN for CADCC Modification to RCEME Camp Flag dated 01 Oct 2018
B. CADCC Decision and Approval Sheet dated 22 Nov 18 indicating CCA approval of request.
C. Final Approval signed by Inspector of Canadian Colours and Badges, dated 9 Jan 2019 (enclosed)
D. A-DH-200-000/AG-000, The Heritage Structure of the Canadian Armed Forces, available at <https://www.canada.ca/content/dam/themes/defence/caf/militaryhistory/dhh/documents/heritage-manual.pdf>
E. Flags Unlimited <https://www.flagsunlimited.com/>

PURPOSE

1. The purpose of this communicate is to inform the Corps membership that final approval for the emblazonment of the Corps' camp flag with the Corps' badge has been made and to provide direction and guidance on procurement and use.

DISCUSSION

2. Approval Process. As a mean to bolster esprit de corps and mark the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Corps of RCEME the initiative to emblazon the Corps' was started with considerable support from Corps membership (Reference A). Approval to move forward with the formal request was supported by CADCC and CCA prior to the end of the year (Reference B) which permitted formal discussions between DHH and the Corps to begin. Following preliminary consultations to determine badge scale and correct pantones for the colours represented in the camp flag, final approval was granted from the Inspector of Canadian Colours and Badges (Reference C) on 09 January 2019. The pantones that were chosen are as follows:

- a. Dark Blue pantone: 295C;
- b. Gold pantone: 116C;
- c. Red pantone: 186C; and
- d. Light Blue pantone: 277C.

3. Use. According to reference D, branch camp flags (RCEME Corps' camp flag) mark a physical location of a unit of a functional branch or, in such circumstances as a large tented camp, encompass the area occupied by that particular group. This practical use of camp flags has been of particular utility to the Corps, having aided countless personnel in finding maintenance units in the field who are in need of technical support. As inferred above, camp flags are strictly locational flags and shall not be:

- a. Carried under any circumstances;
- b. Dipped;
- c. Draped over a casket;
- d. Complimented; or
- e. Presented on parade or used in a ceremony which affords the flag special treatment.

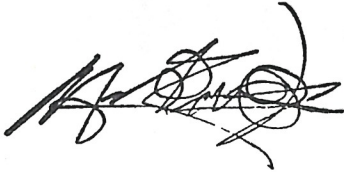
4. Notwithstanding the above, they may be taken into service or initially broken on a flagpole in public display to mark their adoption. This latter point is of great importance for the 75th celebrations.

5. All units that fly the RCEME flag are to **hoist the flag simultaneously on May 15 2019 and not before** if they are in possession of one and are permitted to do so IAW references and/or unit policy. Smaller camp flags may be used on vehicles and as parade square markers. Desk-top copies for personal use are unregulated except by the Corps.

6. Procurement. Flags can be produced locally or privately procured by units with no cost payable from public funds. Any manufacturer who wishes to produce RCEME camp flags requires permission from the Corps of RCEME and the product must use the correct (current) badge and pantones listed above. All flags flown from poles as a minimum be 90 cm in length and 45 cm in width (standard size) or maximum of 182 cm in length and 91 cm in width. The flags are currently available through Flags Unlimited (Reference E) but could be purchased elsewhere should it be more convenient.

CONCLUSION

7. As the RCEME 75th Anniversary rapidly approaches the breaking of the new RCEME camp flag provides an obvious signal to all members of the Corps and the greater CAF community that we are not only celebrating a remarkable past but mark a new era for the Corps of RCEME. Arte et Marte.



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