

Article XXXIV.

FLAGS, COLORS, STANDARDS, GUIDONS—NATIONAL FLAG.

717. The national flag is made of bunting, thirty-six feet fly, and twenty feet hoist, in thirteen horizontal stripes of equal breadth, alternately red and white, beginning with the red. In the upper quarter, next the staff, is the Union composed of a number of white stars, equal to the number of States, on a blue field, one-third the length of the flag, extending to the lower edge of the fourth red stripe from the top. The storm flag is twenty feet by ten feet. The state flag is made of white bunting, twelve feet fly by ten feet hoist, bearing in the center the arms of the State of New-York.

COLORS OF ARTILLERY REGIMENTS.

718. Each regiment of Artillery shall have two colors. The first, or national color, of stars and stripes, as described for the national flag, and may be either of silk or bunting, with red cord and tassels. The second or regimental color, to be of yellow silk, with the arms of the State of New-York embroidered in silk on the center, over two cannons crossing, with the number of the regiment above and the letters N.Y.S.M. below their intersection. The cannons regimental number and letters to be in gold embroidery, fringe gold or yellow silk four inches deep. Each color to be six feet six inches fly, and six feet deep on the pike. The pike, including the eagle and ferule, to be nine feet ten inches in length. Cords and tassels, red and yellow silk intermixed.

COLORS OF INFANTRY AND RIFLE REGIMENTS.

719. Each regiment of infantry or rifles shall have two colors. The first, or national color, of stars and stripes, as described for the national flag, and may be either of silk or bunting, with red cord and tassels. The second, or regimental color, to be of blue silk, with the arms of the State of New-York embroidered in silk on the centre. The number and name of the regiment, and the letters N.Y.S.M., in gold embroidery underneath the arms. The size of each color to be six feet six inches fly, and six feet deep on the pike. The length of the pike, including the eagle and ferrule, to be nine feet ten inches. The fringe gold or yellow silk, four inches deep; cord and tassels; blue and white silk intermixed.

CAMP COLORS.

720. The camp colors are of silk or bunting, eighteen inches square; white for infantry or rifles, and red for artillery, with the number of the regiment on them. The pole eight feet long.

STANDARDS AND GUIDONS OF MOUNTED REGIMENTS.

721. Each regiment will have a silken standard, and each company a silken guidon. The standard to bear the arms of the State of New-York, embroidered in silk on a blue ground, with the number and name of the regiment, and the letters N.Y.S.M. in gold

embroidery underneath the arms. The flag of the standard to be two feet five inches wide, and two feet three inches on the lance, and to be edged with gold or yellow silk fringe.

722. The flag of the guidon is swallow-tailed, three feet five inches from the lance to the end of the swallow-tail; fifteen inches to the fork of the swallow-tail, and two feet three inches on the lance. To be half red and half white, dividing at the fork, the red above. On the red, the letters N.Y.S.M. in white; and on the white, the letter of the company in red. The lance of the standards and the guidons to be nine feet long, including the spear and ferule.

723. Every pike-pole of staff to which the flags, standards, guidons or colors above provided are to be attached, will be surmounted with a gilt eagle.

SOURCE: *General Regulations for the Military Forces of the State of New York, 1858* (Albany: Weed, Parsons & Co., 1858), pp. 128-130, par. 717-723.