

JAMESTOWN S'KLALLAM TRIBE
TRIBAL CODE
TITLE 41 - TRIBAL CREST AND FLAG CODE

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Section 41.01.01 Background

- A. This Title of the Tribal Code addresses issues related to the official Tribal Crest and the official Tribal Flag of the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe (“Tribe”). It also addresses the use of the flags of other jurisdictions and entities. The adoption of these items by the Tribal government has been an exercise of its fundamental right of sovereignty and self-determination.
- B. The Tribal Crest is a unique symbol reserved for official Tribal government use. It signifies the Tribe’s unique culture and sovereignty. The Tribal Flag, which incorporates the Tribal Crest, represents the jurisdiction and sovereignty of the Tribe when flown. Images of the Tribal Crest are set out in Exhibit A to this Title.

Section 41.01.02 Definitions

The following definitions are used within this Title. All words not defined herein shall be used in their ordinary and everyday sense.

- A. “Tribal Crest” means the official governmental seal of the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe. The Crest is composed of two symbols that have endured over time as totems of S’Klallam people, the Eagle and the Salmon;
- B. “Tribal Flag” or “Flag” means the official flag of the Tribe containing the Tribal Crest; and
- C. “U.S. Flag” means the official flag of the United States of America.

Section 41.01.03 Use of Tribal Crest

- A. The Tribal Crest will appear on:
 - 1. Resolutions of the Tribal Council;
 - 2. Official documents and correspondence of the Tribal government;
 - 3. The Tribal Flag; and
 - 4. The Tribe’s web site.

- B. The Tribal Crest is the exclusive intellectual and cultural property of the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe. Unauthorized use, reproduction, or distribution of the Crest by individuals, organizations, businesses, or governmental entities outside of the Tribal government is strictly prohibited.
- C. No person or entity shall use the Tribal Crest:
 - 1. For commercial purposes without the express written consent of the Tribal Council or its designee;
 - 2. In connection with any political, religious, or advocacy material;
 - 3. In a manner that suggests endorsement, sponsorship, or affiliation by the Tribe;
 - 4. On merchandise, promotional items, websites, or publications without written approval; or
 - 5. In any way that distorts, alters, or misrepresents the design, meaning, or cultural significance of the Crest.
- D. Requests for limited use of the Tribal Crest for educational, historical, or cultural purposes may be submitted in writing to the Tribal Council or its authorized representative. Any such use shall:
 - 1. Be reviewed on a case-by-case basis;
 - 2. Require a written agreement outlining the scope and duration of use; and
 - 3. Acknowledge the Tribe’s ownership and the cultural significance of the Crest.
- E. The Tribe reserves all legal and sovereign rights to enforce this section and to revoke previously granted permissions at any time.

Section 41.01.04 Flag Protocols

- A. Miscellaneous Flag Protocols.
 - 1. When the U.S. Flag is displayed on the trust or reservation lands of the Tribe, the guidance set out in the U.S. Code, Title 4, Chapter 1 and Title 36, Chapter 1, will, to the degree feasible, be followed by Tribal staff.
 - 2. The Pride Flag will be flown during the month of June each year. The Pride Flag shall be flown below the Tribal flag on the same staff at locations where all Tribal flags are flown, with the exception of the flag staff at 52 Sophus Rd.
 - 3. The flag of the State of Washington may be flown on the trust and reservation lands of the Tribe and, when flown, as determined appropriate by the CEO of the Tribe, will be

the third position, with the U.S. Flag in the dominant position, the Tribal Flag in the second position and the Washinton State flag in the third position.

B. General Tribal Flag Protocols

1. It is the Tribal custom to display the Tribal Flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flagstaffs in the open. However, the Tribal Flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if it is properly illuminated during the hours of darkness. The sites on the Trust and Reservation Lands of the Tribe where the Tribal Flag and other flags are displayed are set out in Exhibit B to this Title. The Exhibit also indicates which of the display sites are illuminated at night.
2. The Tribal Flag should be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously.
3. The Tribal Flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement, except when an all-weather flag is displayed.
4. The Tribal Flag should be displayed on all days.
5. The Tribal Flag should be displayed on or near the main administration building of the Tribal government.
6. The Tribal Flag should be displayed in or near every polling place on election days.

C. Position and Manner of Display of Tribal Flag

1. The Tribal Flag, when carried in a procession with another flag or flags, should be on the marching right. Provided, however, if the United States flag is being carried in the procession with the Tribal Flag, the United States flag will be carried in the dominant position, with the Tribal Flag in the next to dominant position.
2. The Tribal Flag should not be displayed on a float in a parade except from a staff.
3. The Tribal Flag should not be draped over the hood, top, sides, or back of a vehicle or of a railroad train or a boat. When the flag is displayed on a motorcar, the staff shall be fixed firmly to the chassis or clamped to the right fender.
4. Except for the United States Flag, no other flag or pennant should be placed above or, if on the same level, to the right of the Tribal Flag.
5. Except for when the Tribal Flag is displayed with the flag of the United States of America, when it is displayed with another flag against a wall from crossed staffs, the Tribal Flag should be on the right, the flag's own right, and its staff should be in front of the staff of the other flag or flags.

6. Except for when the Tribal Flag is displayed with the flag of the United States, the Tribal Flag should be at the center and at the highest point of the group when a number of flags or pennants are grouped and displayed from staffs.
7. When flags of States, cities, or localities, or pennants of societies are flown on the same halyard with the Tribal Flag, the latter should always be at the peak. When the flags are flown from adjacent staffs, the Tribal Flag should be hoisted first and lowered last. No such flag or pennant may be placed above the Tribal Flag or to the Tribal Flag's right.
8. When the flags of one or more other tribes are displayed together with the Tribal Flag, they are to be flown from separate staffs of the same height. The flags should be of approximately equal size.
9. When the Tribal Flag is displayed from a staff projecting horizontally or at an angle from the window sill, balcony, or front of a building, the top of the Tribal Flag should be placed at the peak of the staff unless the Tribal Flag is at half-staff.
10. When displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall, the top of the Tribal Flag should be uppermost and to the Tribal Flag's own right, that is, to the observer's left. When displayed in a window, the Tribal Flag should be displayed in the same way.
11. When used on a speaker's platform, the Tribal Flag, if displayed flat, should be displayed above and behind the speaker.
12. The Tribal Flag should form a distinctive feature of the ceremony of unveiling a statue or monument, but it should never be used as the covering for the statue or monument.
13. When the Tribal Flag is used to cover a casket, it should be so placed that the top of the Tribal Flag is at the top of the casket. The Flag should not be lowered into the grave or allowed to touch the ground.
14. The Tribal Flag, when flown at half-staff, should be first hoisted to the peak for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff position. The Tribal Flag should be again raised to the peak before it is lowered for the day.
15. The Tribal Flag shall be flown at half-staff:
 - a. On days when the U.S. Flag is flown at half-staff;
 - b. For 10 days after the death of a current or former member of the Tribal Council;
 - c. For 10 days after the death of an Honorary Citizen or community member, as determined by the Tribe's CEO; and
 - d. On such other occurrences as the Tribal Council, by resolution, shall designate.

D. **Respect for Tribal Flag**

1. No disrespect should be shown to the Tribal Flag; it should not be dipped to any person or thing.
2. The Tribal Flag should never be displayed upside down, except as a signal of dire distress in instances of extreme danger to life or property.
3. The Tribal Flag should never touch anything beneath it such as the ground, the floor, water, or merchandise.
4. The Tribal Flag should never be carried flat or horizontally, but always aloft and free, except as may be necessary in limited circumstances and done in a respectful manner as part of a military or cultural ceremony.
5. The Tribal Flag should never be used as wearing apparel, bedding, or drapery. It should never be festooned, drawn back, nor up, in folds, but always allowed to fall free.
6. The Tribal Flag should never be fastened, displayed, used, or stored in such a manner as to permit it to be easily torn, soiled, or damaged in any way.
7. The Tribal Flag should never be used as a covering for a ceiling.
8. The Tribal Flag should never have placed upon it, nor on any part of it, nor attached to it any mark, insignia, letter, word, figure, design, picture, or drawing of any nature.
9. The Tribal Flag should never be used as a receptacle for receiving, holding, carrying, or delivering anything.
10. The Tribal Flag should never be used for advertising purposes in any manner whatsoever. It should not be embroidered on such articles as cushions or handkerchiefs and the like, printed or otherwise impressed on paper napkins or boxes or anything that is designed for temporary use and discard. Advertising signs should not be fastened to a staff or halyard from which the flag is flown.
11. No part of the Tribal Flag should ever be used as a costume or athletic uniform.
12. The Tribal Flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, as determined by the Tribe's Culture Committee.

E. **Conduct During Hoisting, Lowering and/or Transfer of the Tribal Flag**

The Tribal Flag shall be hoisted briskly and lowered and transferred ceremoniously.

Chapter 41.02
Codification and Amendments

Sections:

Section 41.02.01 Codification

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Title 41 was first approved and adopted by the Tribal Council in Resolution #29-2025 on October 29, 2025.

Section 41.02.02 Amendments

(Reserved)

EXHIBIT A
TRIBAL CREST IMAGES

A. Standard Crest Logo Image



B. Transparent Crest Logo Image



EXHIBIT B
Flag Display Locations and Details

- Veterans Memorial in Blyn, WA; Flags displayed: U.S., Tribal, WA State; Lighted: Yes
- South Campus in Blyn, WA; Flags displayed: U.S., Tribal, WA State; Lighted: Yes
- Library in Blyn, WA; Flags displayed: U.S., Tribal; Lighted: Yes
- Justice Center in Blyn, WA; Flags displayed: U.S., Tribal; Lighted: No
- Blyn Fire Station in Blyn, WA; Flags displayed: U.S., Tribal; Lighted: No
- Cemetery in Jamestown, WA; Flags displayed: U.S., Tribal; Lighted: No
- Jamestown Beach, WA; Flag displayed: Tribal; Lighted: No