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Proper Disposal of the American Flag

The US Flag Code. TITLE 4 > CHAPTER 1 > Sec. 8(k) states:

"The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning"

Here in Westford, American Legion Post 437 has an annual "flag retirement" service on Flag Day, June 14th, each year.

There are various collection points throughout the town where a resident can drop of flags that are no longer suitable for displaying:

- A local Cub Scout Pack has made containers that are located in the Westford US Post Office locations in Nab, Forge Village and the main post office on Littleton Rd.
- The entrance lobby of American Legion Post 437, 114 Dunstable Rd., flag collection container
- The Veterans Services department office located in the Millennium Building at Door 9, leave with the staff or leave in the lobby

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact this office at (978) 392-1170 or via email veterans@westfordma.gov