

Caring for Your New Annin Product

These guidelines below may be used to care for Annin flags and decorations.

Congratulations! the Annin flag you have purchased is one of the very finest made. Given reasonable care it should provide maximum pleasure and satisfaction. Here are a few simple suggestions to help you enjoy your new flag longer:

- For the best results, do not expose your flag to rain, snow or abnormally high winds; these forces of nature can shorten its life considerably. Should the flag become wet it should be spread out and allowed to dry completely. Do not fold or roll-up a wet or damp flag.
- To keep its rich colors looking bright, clean your flag regularly, before soiling and discoloration from dirt, smoke, dust and other airborne contaminants "set" in the fabric. Your flag can be washed by hand or by machine on "gentle" cycle in cold water with mild detergent, then thoroughly rinsed and hung or laid flat to dry. Do not let stand in the wash water or you may experience some color transfer. Cotton and Nylon flags may also be dry-cleaned. Dry cleaning is not recommended for polyester or polyester blend flags.
- Do not place the flag where the wind will whip it against rough surfaces, tree branches, wires, cables, etc. The smallest tear can soon result in a tattered flag. Keep pole surfaces free of rust and corrosion that could damage your flag.
- Inspect your flag regularly for signs of wear. In particular, look for "normal wear" fabric or thread breaks that may occur in the "fly" end (the end farthest from the staff). Trimming and re-hemming torn or frayed ends will help extend the life of your flag.
- How long will a flag last? There is no exact answer. The U.S. Government generally expects a nylon or cotton flag bunting to last approximately 90 days based on daily usage from sunrise to sunset-but not during periods of inclement weather. Tests have shown that in some cases a flag flown 24 hours a day will only last one-fourth as long as one flown during the daylight hours only.

This FMAA certification seal is your assurance that this product has been made in the USA of

materials that are domestic in origin and that all processes in every step of the U.S. flag's manufacture were completed in USA facilities with USA labor.

Spread the word. Tell your friends to look for the FMAA logo and/or seal to ensure that they are purchasing a U.S. made American flag.