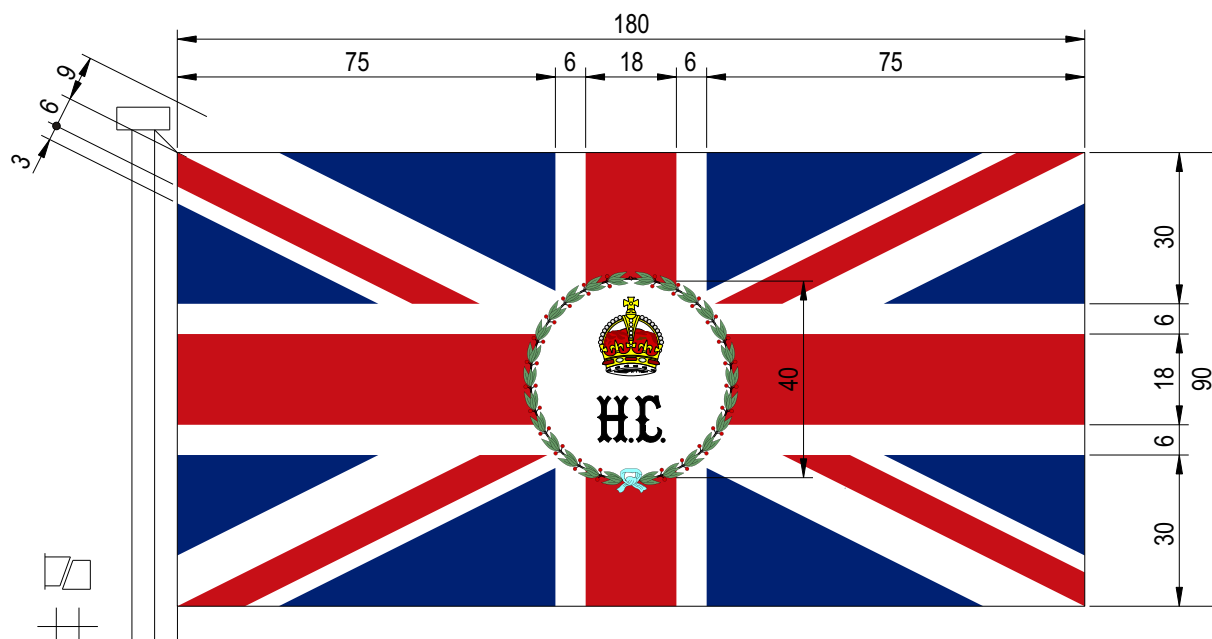


SOUTHERN AFRICAN VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION  
FLAG SPECIFICATION SHEET

## South Africa

High Commissioner 1931 - 1968



DATA		COLOUR SPECIFICATIONS					
		Colour	Pantone	C	M	Y	K
Usage:	High Commissioner's flag	Red	186c	0	91	76	6
Ratio:	1 : 2	Royal Blue	280c	100	72	0	18.5
Adopted:	00 000 1931						
Abolished:	06 Sep 1968						
Designer:	-						

### HISTORY AND SYMBOLISM

In 1931 the posts of Governor-General (see SV - ZA - 05.3 - 1) and High Commissioner (see SV - ZA - 05.1 - 1) were separated. The High Commissioner who was based in South Africa, was represented by Resident Commissioners in each of the High Commission Territories, namely Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland. Of these, only the Resident Commissioner of Basutoland, which was a Crown Colony, had a personal flag.

The flag flown by the High Commissioner for Basutoland, the Bechuanaland Protectorate and Swaziland was a British Union Flag charged in the centre, on a white roundel, with the Imperial Crown above the letters H.C. in black surrounded by a green garland of laurel.

This flag flew until the High Commission Territories gained their independence, the last of which was Swaziland which on 06 September 1968 became the Kingdom of Swaziland.

Source: "The Union Jack over Southern and Central Africa, 1795-1994, (SAVA Journal 3/94) by FG Brownell

