



Surrey, British Columbia

The Surrey flag has proportions of 3:5 (1:2 usage) and a white field. In the centre is the shield of the city's coat of arms (granted by the English Kings of Arms on 17 August 1987), with a brown border. The shield has a golden yellow beaver (*Castor canadensis*) facing left between two wavy blue stripes, each bordered in white. Above the upper stripe are five golden yellow stars and below the lower stripe is a representation of the Peace Arch in white with black details. Extending from both sides of the shield are two wavy white stripes, each bordered in blue and connecting to their counterparts on the shield, running to the edges of the flag. The beaver, the national animal, is derived from the 1879 municipal seal. The five stars represent the five historic town centres comprising modern Surrey: Whalley, Guildford, Newton, Cloverdale, and South Surrey. The Peace Arch, built in 1921, stands on the international border between Surrey, British Columbia and Blaine, Washington, one of the busiest border crossings between Canada and the United States. It commemorates the signing of the Treaty of Ghent in 1814 and the peace between the two countries ever since.



OTHER FLAG: Surrey has recently introduced a logo flag. According to the City's branding guide, *The Municipal flag will feature the logo in the centre and will be double-sided. The "Green elements" will be used at the base of the flag to provide a*

solid foundation for the logo and to emphasize the green, open spaces of Surrey.