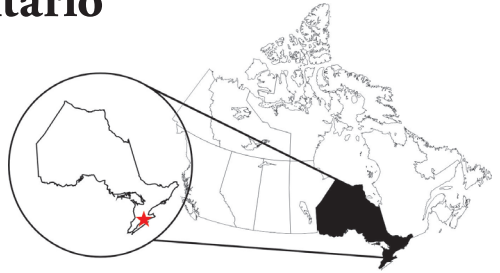


Norfolk County, Ontario

Population Rank: Canada . . . 53
Province . . . 22

Proportions: 1:2
Adopted: 2005



DESIGN: The flag of the City of Norfolk County has a field of forest green. In the centre, nearly the full height of the flag, is a flower with four petals in white surrounding a black disc. On that disc are nine elements, eight nearly circular objects encircling a small central disc, all in golden yellow. The petals are oriented in the cardinal directions. Each petal has a concave "C"-shaped notch in its outer edge, and three faint lines radiating from its base, with the centre line 20% larger and bisecting the petal for half of its length and the two lines on either side of the centre line at a 30-degree angle relative to the centre line.

SYMBOLISM: Green and gold are Norfolk's colours, representing its agricultural base. The Eastern dogwood (*Cornus florida*) is the city's flower. It appears on the city's coat of arms and on the arms granted to the former Town of Simcoe and the former Norfolk Township, both since amalgamated into the city. The nine golden yellow seeds in the centre represent the county government with eight councillors and one mayor. The notches on the dogwood flower petals symbolize the four former municipalities now composing the city (Norfolk, Delhi, Simcoe, and Nanticoke).

HOW SELECTED: The city council accepted by unanimous vote the design recommended by the Norfolk Heritage Committee. The arms were granted 20 February 2004 and adopted in 2005.

DESIGNER: Ross Bateman, Vice Chairman of the Norfolk Heritage Committee, based on the badge of the Corporation of Norfolk County, created by Bruce Patterson, Saguenay Herald, Canadian Heraldic Authority.

