

PROTECT OUR FLAG CAMPAIGN

If you love our flag and believe that it deserves iron -clad protection you should get involved with our campaign to have the flag written into the Australian Constitution.

WHY SHOULD THE FLAG BE IN THE CONSTITUTION ?

The constitution is the basic law of this country. The only way any part of the constitution can be changed or deleted is through the approval of the Australian people voting in a referendum. No government, parliament or court can make any change to the constitution.

If our flag was described in the constitution, as it is in the Flag Act, then it could never be altered or replaced without the approval of the people regardless of what any government or noisy minority groups might want.

HOW DO WE GET THE FLAG INTO THE CONSTITUTION?

This association is involved in a campaign to put pressure on the leaders of our political parties to put the question to the people the next time a referendum is held. A bill will have to pass both Houses of Parliament to authorise putting the question. We need to put a lot of pressure on the politicians so that they will realise that the people want constitutional protection for our flag.

DOESN'T THE FLAG ACT REQUIRE THAT A REFERENDUM BE HELD BEFORE ANY CHANGE IS MADE TO THE FLAG? WHY ISN'T THAT ENOUGH?

Yes, the Flag Act does require a referendum to be held before the flag can be changed. That is better protection than in the past but it is not as good as constitutional protection. The Flag Act is no different to any other Act of Parliament- it can always be changed or even repealed at any time. Laws are changed almost every day that parliament sits. Any government that wanted to change the flag would already have the numbers in the House of Representatives and might well be able to work out a deal in the Senate. To avoid this possibility, we must have constitutional protection.

HOW CAN I HELP?

If you follow the link, you will find a form letter that we have prepared for the campaign. Take these simple steps:

Add your details to the letter

Print the letter

Make sure you sign it.

Send the letter to our campaign headquarters.

Once we have a good quantity of the letters we will collate and copy them and send copies to the leaders of all the political parties in the federal parliament.

WHAT ELSE CAN I DO?

Send this page to as many people as you can. Ask them to get involved.

Print out as many copies of this page and the form letter as you want and give them to your friends and family who don't use the internet. Ask them to add their details, remind them to sign the letter and send it in. Our goal is to make this a massive campaign, if we can get a million people or more involved that will be fantastic.

Tell as many people as you can about this campaign.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

We have to work quickly and get as many people as possible involved. There is an election coming and this is the very best time to make politicians understand that the Australian people love their flag and want it given iron-clad protection.

IF WE ALL WORK TOGETHER WE CAN SUCCEED.

[Click here for the Flag Protection Campaign form letter](#)