

# Possible Flag Ceremonies

## Simple Flag Ceremony

- Parade U.S. flag and den flag past line of Scouts, who stand at attention and salute
- Scouts salute flag and repeat Pledge of Allegiance

## History of Flag Ceremony

- Each boy can make and color different paper flag to show how our present flag developed out of earlier flags

## Horseshoe Ceremony

- Form den into horseshoe, with U.S. flag in front of horseshoe
- Each Scout in turn steps forward, salutes flag and steps back in formation
- When all have finished, den gives Pledge of Allegiance
- Scout Oath and Law could also be recited

## Lights-Out Patriotic Ceremony

- Line up den in single line
- Bring Scouts to attention, turn out lights
- Spotlight U.S. flag with flashlight and have Scout read first verse of Star-Spangled Banner
- America the Beautiful
- Or another patriotic song

## Grasp-the-Flagpole Ceremony

- Form circle around flag with Scouts grasping flagpole with left hands
- Give Scout sign with right hand and repeat Scout Oath or Law

## Two Facing Lines Ceremony

- Have the Scouts form two lines, facing each other
- Have one Scout advance the U.S. flag between the two lines while the other Scouts salute as the flag comes down the line
- When the flag bearer reaches the end of the line, he makes an about-face and stands facing the two lines
- The Scouts hold their salute and give the Pledge of Allegiance

## Good Links for Ceremony Possibilities

Ceremony Ideas for the Cub Scout Leader  
[oocities.org/~pack215/ceremonies.html](http://oocities.org/~pack215/ceremonies.html)

From National Scout Office  
[filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/ceremonies.pdf](http://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/ceremonies.pdf)

How to Conduct a Cub Scout Flag Ceremony  
[cubscoutideas.com/10028/cub-scout-flag-ceremony](http://cubscoutideas.com/10028/cub-scout-flag-ceremony)