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National Flag Act, 2006

An Act to make provision for the national flag and for related matters.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Lesotho.

Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the National Flag Act 2006 and shall come into operation on the date of its publication in the Gazette.

Interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires-

“national flag” means the national flag of Lesotho.

Declaration of national flag

3. The flag of which the description and design are set out in the Schedule hereto shall be the national flag of Lesotho.

Places where national flag shall be flown

4. The national flag shall be flown from the principal Government building in Lesotho, at Government offices abroad and at such other places in Lesotho as the King may prescribe.

Offences and penalties

5. A person who-

(a) does any act in relation to the national flag which shows disrespect, contempt or irreverence towards the national flag; or

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- (b) on or after the commencement of this Act, in a place where the public have access or are permitted to have access, displays or causes to be flown the flag described in the National Flag Act, 1987¹ repealed by this Act,

commits an offence and on conviction is liable to fine of M1,000 or to imprisonment for one year or to both.

Powers of King to prescribe

6. The King may, by notice in the Gazette-
- (a) prescribe places, other than the places specified in section 4, where the national flag shall be flown; and
 - (b) prescribe occasions upon which and the purposes for which and the manner in which the national flag may be flown; and
 - (c) prohibit, control or restrict the use of any design resembling the national flag.

Repeal of Act No.1 of 1987

7. The National Flag Act, 1987 is repealed.

SCHEDULE
(section 3)

DESCRIPTION AND DESIGN OF THE NATIONAL FLAG

Three horizontal stripes from top to bottom of blue, white and green bearing the proportions 3:4:3 of the width measurement, with a black Basotho Hat centred in the white panel of a height equivalent to 92% of the width of the white stripe.

Proportions: width: length 2 : 3

Colours: Pantone Reflex Blue C
 White
 Black
 Pantone Green 347C

NOTE

¹ Act No. 1 of 1987