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## FLAGS - WEARING AND FLYING

Be pleased to inform Their Lordships that there seems to be considerable confusion in the application of the terms "flying" and "wearing" to flags and ensigns. Examples from the Queen's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions and B.R.67 are quoted in the Appendix.

- 2. The view on the Mediterranean Station is that an Admiral can hoist, fly and haul down or strike his flag, whereas a ship can wear a flag or flags and ensigns and also fly and display them.
- 3. It would be appreciated if Their Lordships would clarify the position and amend the publications quoted above, in due course.

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