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Letter	Flag	Meaning
<p>A Alfa</p>		<p>I have a diver down; keep well clear at slow speed. With three numerals, azimuth or bearing.</p>
<p>B Bravo</p>		<p>I am taking in, or discharging, or carrying dangerous goods. (Originally used by the Royal Navy specifically for military explosives.)</p>
<p>C Charlie</p>		<p>Affirmative. With three numerals, course.</p>
<p>D Delta</p>		<p>Keep clear of me; I am maneuvering with difficulty. With two, four, or six numerals, date.</p>
<p>E Echo</p>		<p>I am altering my course to starboard.</p>
<p>F Foxtrot</p>		<p>I am disabled; communicate with me.</p>












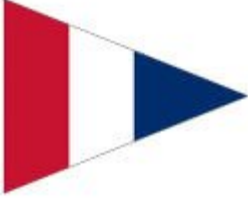






<p>G Golf</p>		<p>I require a pilot. When made by fishing vessels operating in close proximity on the fishing grounds it means: "I am hauling nets".</p> <p>With four or five numerals, longitude. (The last two numerals denote minutes and the rest degrees.)</p>
<p>H Hotel</p>		<p>I have a pilot on board.</p>
<p>I India</p>		<p>I am altering my course to port.</p>
<p>J Juliet</p>		<p>I am on fire and have dangerous cargo on board: keep well clear of me, or I am leaking dangerous cargo.</p>
<p>K Kilo</p>		<p>I wish to communicate with you.</p> <p>With one numeral, I wish to communicate with you by; 1) Morse signalling by hand-flags or arms; 2) Loud hailer (megaphone); 3) Morse signalling lamp; 4) Sound signals.</p>
<p>L Lima</p>		<p>In harbor: The ship is under Quarantine. At sea: You should stop your vessel instantly.</p> <p>With four numerals, latitude. (The first two denote degrees and the rest minutes.)</p>
<p>M Mike</p>		<p>My vessel is stopped and making no way through the water.</p>













<p>N November</p>		<p>Negative.</p>
<p>O Oscar</p>		<p>Man overboard (often attached to the man overboard pole on boats).</p>
<p>P Papa</p>		<p>The Blue Peter. <i>In harbor:</i> All persons should report on board as the vessel is about to proceed to sea. <i>At sea:</i> It may be used by fishing vessels to mean: "My nets have come fast upon an obstruction".</p>
<p>Q Quebec</p>		<p>My vessel is "healthy" and I request free pratique.</p>
<p>R Romeo</p>		<p>The way is off my ship. With one or more numerals, distance in nautical miles.</p>
<p>S Sierra</p>		<p>I am operating astern propulsion. With one or more numerals, speed in knots.</p>
<p>T Tango</p>		<p>Keep clear of me; I am engaged in pair trawling. With four numerals, local time. (The first two denote hours and the rest minutes.)</p>

<p>U Uniform</p>		<p>You are running into danger.</p>
<p>V Victor</p>		<p>I require assistance. With one or more numerals, speed in kilometers per hour.</p>
<p>W Whiskey</p>		<p>I require medical assistance.</p>
<p>X Xray</p>		<p>Stop carrying out your intentions and watch for my signals.</p>
<p>Y Yankee</p>		<p>I am dragging my anchor.</p>
<p>Z Zulu</p>		<p>I require a tug. When made by fishing vessels operating in close proximity on the fishing grounds it means: "I am shooting nets". With one or more numerals, time (UTC). (The first two denote hours and the rest minutes.) (Origin of the phrase 'Zulu Time'.)</p>


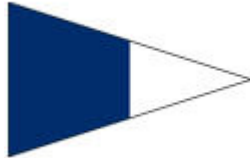
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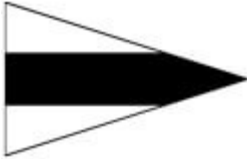

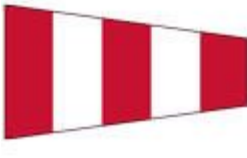
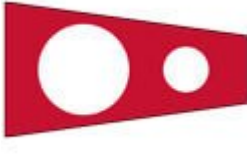
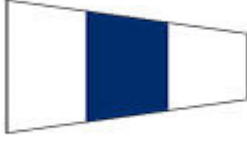


International Code Numbers






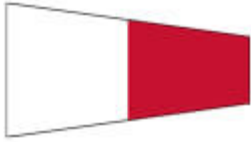

Number	International Code Signal	NATO <i>(Custom Order)</i>	Russian <i>(Custom Order)</i>
0 Zero			
1 One			
2 Two			
3 Three			
4 Four			
5 Five			







6 Six			
7 Seven			
8 Eight			
9 Nine			

NATO Signal Flags





Signal	Flag	Meaning
First Substitute		Repeat of the first flag in the hoist
Second Substitute		Repeat of the second flag in the hoist

Third Substitute		Repeat of the third flag in the hoist
Fourth Substitute		Repeat of the fourth flag in the hoist
ANS		Code/Answer
CORPEN		Course Pennant
DESIG		Designation
DIV		Division
EMERG		Emergency

FORM		Formation
FLOT		Group
NEGAT		Negation
PORT		Port
PREP		Preparatory
INT		Question
SCREEN		Screen

SPEED		Speed
SQUAD		Squadron
STBD		Starboard
STATION		Station
SUBDIV		Subdivision
TURN		Turn

Storm Warning Flags

Flag	Meaning
	Storm Warning / Tropical Storm Warning
	Hurricane Warning / Hurricane Force Wind Warning
	Small Craft Advisory
	Gale Warning / Gale Force Wind Warning