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## 1 PURPOSE

1.1 This work instruction is intended to outline the process associated with the raising and lowering of flags at MTS-Eden Prairie.

#### 2 SCOPE

2.1 This work instruction applies to select Facilities, EHS, and Security employees, in addition to Senior Management Representatives involved with determining and assisting the lowering of flags at the following premises:

14000 Technology Drive, Eden Prairie, MN55344-2290

#### 3 DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS

- 3.1 **Half-Mast or Half-Staff:** refers to a flag flying below the summit on a pole. In many countries this is seen as a symbol of respect, mourning, or distress.
- 3.2 **Presidential Flag Proclamation:** when the President of the United States issues an executive order for the flag of the United States to be flown at half-staff upon the death of principal figures of the United States government and others, as a mark of respect to their memory. When such an order is issued, all government buildings, offices, public schools, and military bases are to fly their flags at half-staff for a specified period of time, as designated by the proclamation

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## 4 GRAPHICS



United States and Minnesota State Flags flying at standard position.



United States and Minnesota State Flags flying at Half-Staff position – US flag should be at a higher position when lowered

## 5 **RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### 5.1 Senior Management

- 5.1.1 Will approve the lowering of flags to half-staff at MTS when not already/ officially declared by the President of the United States
- 5.1.2 Shall determine the duration the flags will be lowered when not already/ officially declared by the President of the United States
- 5.1.3 Shall inform Facilities/Security and or EHS of the decision to lower flags

## 5.2 Facilities /EHS Department

- 5.2.1 Will work alongside Senior Management and Security/Front Desk to communicate times that the flags should be lowered and then raised.
- 5.2.2 Shall track Presidential Flag Proclamations on websites such as http://halfstaff.org/ (utilize automatic alerting/tracking features)
- 5.2.3 Shall support the physical process of lowering and raising the flags (Facilities has access to the key and pole handle to adjust the US, State, and MTS flags accordingly)

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#### 5.3 Security/Front Desk

5.3.1 Shall assist Facilities/EHS with tracking Presidential Flag Proclamations

## 6 INSTRUCTION

- 6.1 The flags at the MTS Eden Prairie Facility will be lowered for only the following:
  - 6.1.1 Upon confirmed Presidential Flag Lowering Proclamation events.
  - 6.1.2 As determined and declared by Senior MTS Management.
- 6.2 The Facilities Department will arrange and perform the lowering and then appropriate rising of flags according to the time frames outlined by Presidential Proclamations or Senior MTS Management declarations.

## 7 ASSOCIATED QUALITY RECORDS – AS STATED IN THE QUALITY RECORDS LIST

#### **Required Record**

Training records (as applicable)

## 8 **REFERENCE FORMS / TEMPLATES / DOCUMENTS (IF NEEDED)**

Form / Template / Document Title	Location
Web Site reference with Half Staff Email Reminders and tracking all Presidential Proclamations	http://halfstaff.org/

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