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Based on the second indent of paragraph 1 of Article 107 and the paragraph 2 of Article 91 of the Constitution of the Republic of Slovenia, I hereby issue the

**ORDER**  
**to promulgate the Act Regulating the Coat-of-Arms, Flag and Anthem**  
**of the Republic of Slovenia and the Flag of the Slovene Nation**

I hereby promulgate the Act Regulating the Coat-of-Arms, Flag and Anthem of the Republic of Slovenia and the Flag of the Slovene Nation, adopted by the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia at its session on 20 July 1994, and reconsidered at its session on 20 October 1994.

No. 012-01/94-129

Ljubljana, 21 October 1994

**President**  
**of the Republic of Slovenia**  
**Milan Kučan**

**ACT REGULATING THE COAT-OF-ARMS, FLAG AND ANTHEM**  
**OF THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA AND THE FLAG OF THE SLOVENE NATION**

**I. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Article 1

This Act shall regulate the coat of arms, flag and anthem of the Republic of Slovenia and the flag of the Slovene nation.

Article 2

The coat of arms, flag and anthem of the Republic of Slovenia (hereinafter: coat of arms, flag and anthem) shall signify belonging to the Republic of Slovenia.

The coat of arms, flag and anthem may only be used in the form and content set out in the Constitution of the Republic of Slovenia and in this Act, and in the manner set out in this Act.

Article 3

The flag of the Slovene nation shall signify belonging to the Slovene nation.

The flag of the Slovene nation shall be a white-blue-red flag. The ratio of the width to the height of the flag shall be one to two. The colors of the flag shall follow in this order: white, blue, red.

Each color shall occupy one third of the width of the flag.

The flag of the Slovene nation may only be used in the form set out in the Constitution of the Republic of Slovenia and in the manner set out in this Act.

Article 4

The geometric, graphic and color rules to form the coat of arms, flag and flag of the Slovene nation, and the text of the anthem and notation of its melody, are an integral part of this Act.

#### Article 5

The anthem shall be the seventh stanza of France Prešeren's poem "Zdravljica", sung to the melody of composer Stanko Premrl's choral composition with the same name.

#### Article 6

If during official events, the coat of arms or flag are placed, juxtaposed or displayed alongside the flag of the Slovene nation, flags of the Italian or Hungarian national minority, flags of local communities, military or foreign flags or other symbols, they must occupy the honorary place, unless set out otherwise in this Act.

#### Article 7

The coat of arms, flag or flag of the Slovene nation may not be used if they are damaged or their appearance is unsuitable for use.

It shall not be permitted to use the coat of arms, flag or flag of the Slovene nation in a manner that is in conflict with public order or is defamatory to the reputation of the Republic of Slovenia.

#### Article 8

The coat of arms, flag or their constituent parts, or flag of the Slovene nation and the text of the anthem and notation of its melody, may not be insured or used as a trademark, model or sample, or to label goods or services.

The preceding paragraph does not refer to collective trademarks, the bearers of which are Ministries or the Government of the Republic of Slovenia.

## II. COAT OF ARMS

#### Article 9

The coat of arms shall be used:

1. In seals, stamps, document insignia and state authority symbols,
2. To designate the state border at border crossing areas and on border control authority buildings,
3. On premises and on buildings which are a seat of state authorities, as well as inside their premises,
4. On premises and on buildings of the Republic of Slovenia's representative office abroad, and on vehicles used by the Head of the representative office, in accordance with international agreements, regulations and customs of the country where the representative office is located, or with the rules and practices of the international organization where the representative office is located,

5. In the seals, stamps and document insignia of local community authorities, when they perform particular tasks or certain matters of state relevance,
6. In the seals, stamps and document insignia of self-governing communities, businesses and other organizations and individuals with public authorization to perform particular tasks or certain matters of state relevance,
7. On invitations, greeting cards, calling cards and similar official records used by the President of the Republic, President of the National Assembly, President of the National Council, Prime Minister, ministers and heads of representative offices of the Republic of Slovenia abroad,
8. On invitations, greeting cards, calling cards and similar official records used by the deputies of the National Assembly, members of the National Council, officials and state authority employees,
9. In other cases and under conditions set out by the law.

#### Article 10

The coat of arms may be used:

1. During international meetings, athletic, cultural and other competitions, humanitarian and other events and public gatherings where the Republic of Slovenia is represented or in which it participates, in accordance with the rules and customs of such gatherings,
2. On ships and other vessels; a coat of arms also marks airplanes and other means of public transport, under the conditions and in the way set out in regulations,
3. On buildings of official premises of local community authorities,
4. In other cases if the use of the coat of arms does not conflict with this Act.

#### Article 11

If the coat of arms of the Republic of Slovenia is used alongside another coat of arms, it must always be on the left, seen from the front; exceptionally it may be to the right side of a foreign country's coat of arms or to the right side of a corresponding international organization's insignia, when such a coat of arms or insignia are used during an official visit by a leader of a foreign country or an authorized representative of an international organization.

If the coat of arms of the Republic of Slovenia is used alongside two other coats of arms or corresponding insignia, the coat of arms of the Republic of Slovenia must be in the middle.

If the coat of arms is used alongside several foreign and domestic coats of arms or corresponding international organization insignia or other similar symbols, the coat of arms of the Republic of Slovenia is placed as follows:

1. If the coats of arms and insignia are placed in a circle – in the middle of the circle, so that it is clearly visible.
2. If the coats of arms and insignia are placed in a semicircle – in the middle of the semicircle.
3. If the coats of arms and insignia are placed in a column – at the head of the column.
4. If the coats of arms and insignia are placed in a row – in the first position, or, seen from the front, on the left.
5. If the coats of arms and insignia are placed into groups – at the front of the group.

### III. FLAG

#### Article 12

The flag shall be permanently displayed:

1. On buildings that serve as seats of the President of the Republic, National Assembly, National Council and Government
2. At border crossing areas
3. On buildings of the Republic of Slovenia's representative office abroad, and on vehicles used by the Head of the representative office for official duties, in accordance with international regulations and customs of the country where the representative office is located, or with the rules and practices of the international organization where the representative office is located
4. On ships and other vessels; a flag also marks airplanes and other means of public transport, under the conditions and in the way set out in regulations

#### Article 13

The flag shall be displayed:

1. During state holidays in the Republic of Slovenia, namely:
  1. 8 February, Prešeren Day, Slovene cultural holiday
  2. 27 April, Day of Uprising Against Occupation
  3. 1 and 2 May, Labor Day Holiday
  4. 25 June, Statehood Day
  5. 26 December, Independence Day

In examples from this point, the flag shall be displayed on buildings which are the official seat of state authorities and local community authorities, and may also be displayed on other public buildings, residential buildings and other appropriate locations; the flag shall remain displayed for the duration of the holiday.

2. For an official farewell from a President of the Republic, President of the National Assembly or President of the National Council upon departing the Republic of Slovenia to visit a foreign country and upon receiving them when they return to the Republic of Slovenia.
3. For an official arrival by a leader of a foreign country or an authorized representative of an international organization to the Republic of Slovenia, or for the farewell upon their departure from the Republic of Slovenia.
4. On mourning day determined by the Government of the Republic of Slovenia, displayed at half mast.
5. On other occasions and in other circumstances, in the ways set out by the law.

In examples from points 1, 4 and 5 of the previous paragraph of this Article, in addition to the flag, the flag of the Slovene nation can also be displayed; in areas populated by the Italian or Hungarian national minorities, the national minority flag shall also be displayed.

#### Article 14

The flag may be displayed:

1. During international meetings, athletic, cultural and other competitions, humanitarian, military and other events and public gatherings where the Republic of Slovenia is represented or in which it participates, in accordance with the rules and customs of such gatherings.
2. During local community holidays.
3. During public manifestations that are of significance to the Republic of Slovenia, as determined by the Government of the Republic of Slovenia.
4. In other cases if the use of the flag does not conflict with this Act.

The flag may be displayed to designate buildings where seats of ministries, other state authorities or local community authorities are located.

In cases from points 2, 3 and 4 of paragraph 1 of this Article, in addition to the flag, the flag of the Slovene nation can also be displayed; in areas populated by the Italian or Hungarian national minorities, the national minority flag shall also be displayed.

#### Article 15

Vehicles used by the President of the Republic, President of the National Assembly, President of the National Council and Prime Minister, are marked with the coat of arms and flag.

#### Article 16

If the flag of the Republic of Slovenia is displayed next to a foreign flag, it must always be on the left side as seen from the front; exceptionally, it may be to the right of the foreign country's or international organization's flag, as seen from the front, when such a flag is displayed for an official visit by a leader of a foreign country or a representative of an international organization. If the flag of the Republic of Slovenia is displayed alongside two or more other flags on crossed masts, the mast with the flag of the Republic of Slovenia, as seen from the front, must be at the front of masts with other flags.

If the flag of the Republic of Slovenia is displayed alongside two other flags, the flag of the Republic of Slovenia must be in the middle.

If the flag of the Republic of Slovenia is displayed alongside several other flags, the flag of the Republic of Slovenia must be placed as follows:

1. If the flags are displayed in a circle, it must be in the middle of the circle, so that it is clearly visible.
2. If the flags are displayed in a semicircle, it must be in the middle of the semicircle.
3. If the flags are displayed in a column, it must be at the head of the column.
4. If the flags are displayed in a row, it must be in the first position in the row, or, on the left side as seen from the front.
5. If the flags are displayed in a group, it must be at the head of the group.

#### Article 17

If the flag is displayed on a mast, the colors of the flag must follow from top to bottom in this order: white, blue, red; with the coat of arms on the left side of the flag in the left upper corner, as seen from the front.

## Article 18

If the flag of the Slovene nation is displayed on a mast, the colors of the flag must follow from top to bottom in this order: white, blue, red.

## Article 19

The flag shall be raised and lowered, displayed and removed or transferred at official occasions, with the usual ceremonial honoring, in accordance with customs or regulations on saluting the flag.

## IV. ANTHEM

### Article 20

The anthem shall be performed in accordance with this Act, ceremonially and in line with customs used for those present to salute the anthem.

The anthem shall be performed instrumentally, vocally, or both instrumentally and vocally.

The anthem shall not be permitted to be performed with the purpose of commercial advertising or branding of services.

### Article 21

The anthem shall be performed:

1. For an official farewell from the President of the Republic upon departing the Republic of Slovenia to visit a foreign country, and upon receiving them when they return to the Republic of Slovenia.
2. For an official arrival by a leader of a foreign country or an authorized representative of an international organization to the Republic of Slovenia, or for the farewell upon their departure from the Republic of Slovenia.
3. When official representatives of the Republic of Slovenia or representatives of foreign countries or international organizations lay wreaths on monuments, cemeteries and similar locations.

In areas populated by the Italian or Hungarian national minorities, the anthem of the national minority may also be performed during ceremonial events by these communities.

### Article 22

The anthem may be performed:

1. At celebrations and other ceremonial occasions marking events of significance to the Republic of Slovenia.
2. At international meetings, athletic, cultural and other competitions, humanitarian events or similar initiatives and other public gatherings where the Republic of Slovenia is represented or in which it participates, in accordance with the rules and customs of such gatherings.
3. At funerals of personalities that the Republic of Slovenia particularly honors.

4. In other cases if the use of the anthem does not conflict with this Act.

#### Article 23

If the anthem is performed alongside a foreign country's anthem or with a solemn song of an international or other organization, first the anthem of the foreign country or the solemn song of the international or other foreign organization is performed, followed by the anthem of the Republic of Slovenia.

#### Article 24

The anthem shall be performed with the usual ceremonial honoring, and in accordance with customs.

### V. SUPERVISION

#### Article 25

Implementing provisions from paragraph 1 of Article 8 and paragraph 3 of Article 20 of this Act shall be supervised by the market inspection authority.

### VI. PENALTIES

#### Article 26

A legal entity shall be fined at least SIT 150,000 for misdemeanor in the following events:

1. If they use the coat of arms, flag or the flag of the Slovene nation with content or form that conflicts with the Constitution of the Republic of Slovenia or with this Act (Articles 2 and 3).
2. If they use the coat of arms, flag or their constituent parts, the flag of the Slovene nation and the text of the anthem and notation of its melody in the following ways: insure them or use them as a trademark, model or sample or for branding goods or services (paragraph 1 of Article 8).
3. If they perform the anthem for the purposes of market advertising or branding of services (paragraph 3 of Article 20).

The legal entity's responsible person who commits the misdemeanor from the previous paragraph shall also be fined at least SIT 20,000.

Private citizen committing the misdemeanor from paragraph I of this Article shall be fined at least SIT 20,000.

A natural person committing the misdemeanor from points 1 and 2 of paragraph 1 of this Article shall be fined at least SIT 20,000.

#### Article 27

A legal entity shall be fined at least SIT 150,000 for misdemeanor in the following events:

1. If they use the coat of arms, flag or the flag of the Slovene nation which are damaged or unsuitable for use in appearance (paragraph 1 of Article 7).
2. If they use the coat of arms, flag or the flag of the Slovene nation in a manner that is in conflict with public order or is defamatory to the reputation of the Republic of Slovenia (paragraph 2 of Article 7).

The legal entity's responsible person who commits the misdemeanor from the previous paragraph shall also be fined at least SIT 15,000.

A natural person committing the misdemeanor from the first paragraph of this Article shall be fined at least SIT 15,000.

## VII. TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

### Article 28

More detailed regulations shall be issued by:

1. The Minister responsible for Defense – for the use of the coat of arms and flag in the armed forces.
2. The Minister responsible for Transport and Communications – for the use of the coat of arms and flag on ships and other vessels, on airplanes and other means of public transport.

### Article 29

On the day that this Act enters into force, the following acts shall cease to be valid:

- The Anthem of the Republic of Slovenia Act (Official Gazette of RS, No. 14/90)
- Points 11 and 13 of Article 8 and point 4 of Article 12 of the Act on criminal Offences Against Public Order and Peace (Official Gazette of SRS, No. 16/74, 42/86 and Official Gazette of RS No. 8/90)

### Article 30

This Act shall enter into force on the fifteenth day after publication in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia.

No. 001-06/90-1/10  
Ljubljana, October 20, 1994

President of the National Assembly  
of the Republic of Slovenia  
**Jožef Školč**

## COLOR RULE FOR FORMING THE COAT OF ARMS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA



The coat of arms of the Republic of Slovenia has the form of a shield. In the middle of the shield, on blue background, there is a figure of Triglav in white, with two blue wavy lines underneath it, representing the sea and rivers, whereas above Triglav there are three golden six-pointed stars placed in the shape of a downward pointing triangle. The shield has a red margin on its sides.

### Colors:

Golden yellow N-6 N197512, stars.

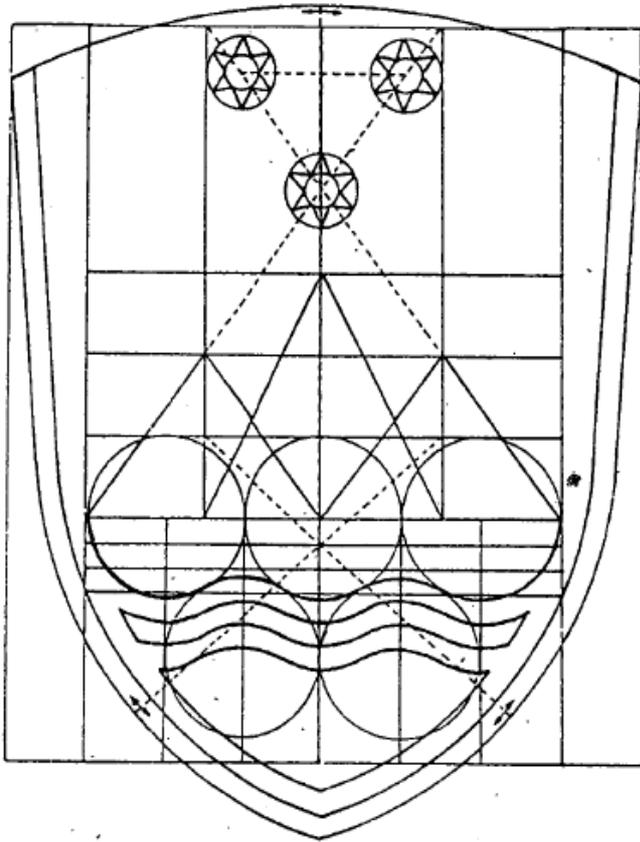
White N-1 N95, Triglav.

Blue N-46 N722509, background and two wavy lines.

Red N-23 No74014, margin on the sides.

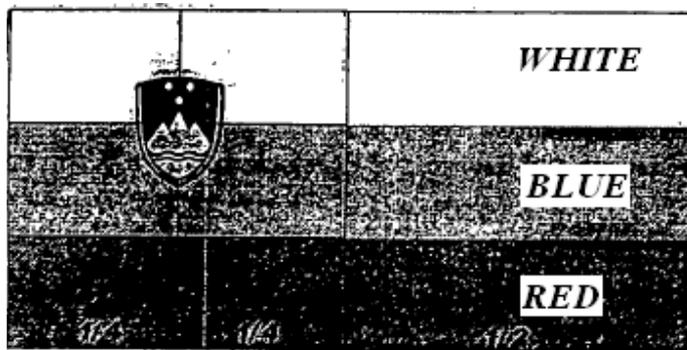
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## GEOMETRICAL RULE FOR FORMING THE COAT OF ARMS



The three-dimensional image of the coat of arms is divided into the upper, concave, and lower, convex part. There is a soft transition between them, flowing diagonally from the left and right side along the outer side of the symbol of Triglav. The “geometrical rule for forming the coat of arms” also determines the graphic lines of the coat of arms in its three-dimensional version.

## GEOMETRICAL, GRAPHIC AND COLOR RULE FOR FORMING THE FLAG OF THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA



The length of the flag is 2x the width

The width of the flag is  $\frac{1}{2}$  the height

The flag of the Republic of Slovenia is a white-blue-red flag of the Slovenian nation with the coat of arms of the Republic of Slovenia. The ratio of the width to the height of the flag is one to two. The colors of the flag follow in this order: white, blue, red. Each color occupies one third of the width of the flag. The coat of arms is in the upper left corner of the flag, so that the middle point of the coat of arms touches the point of  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the length of the flag and the point where white and blue sections meet. The upper part of the coat of arms, with the stars, enters the white field of the flag, and the other half is in the blue field. The height of the coat of arms is  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the width of the flag.

Colors:

White N-1 N95.

Blue N-46 N722509.

Red N-23 No74014.

Golden yellow N-6 N197512.

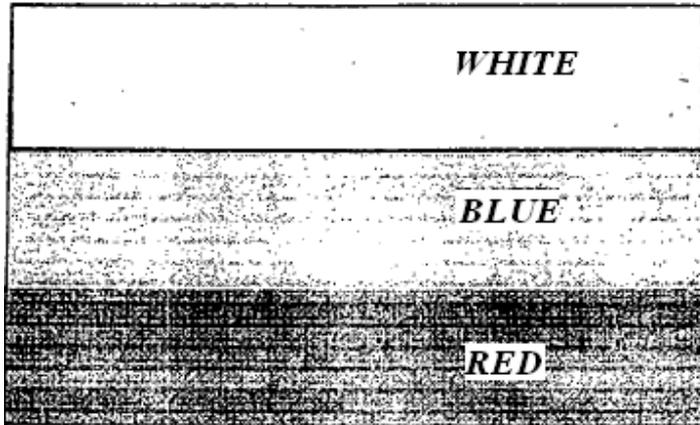
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## ANTHEM

The image shows the musical score for the Slovenian Anthem. It consists of six staves of music, each with a line of lyrics underneath. The music is written in a single melodic line on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are in Slovenian and describe the Slovenian nation and its coat of arms.

ži - ve naj vni na - ro - di, ki hre - pe - ne do - ča - kat'  
 dan, da ko - der son - ce ho - di, pre -  
 pir iz sve - ta ho pre - gnan, da ro - jak  
 prost bo vsak, ne vrag, le so - sed bo me - jak,  
 da ro - jak, prost bo vsak, ne vrag, le so - sed  
 bo, ne vrag, le so - sed bo me - jak!

GEOMETRICAL, GRAPHIC AND COLOR RULE FOR FORMING THE FLAG OF THE SLOVENE NATION



The width of the flag is  $\frac{1}{2}$  the height

The length of the flag is 2x the width

The ratio of the width to the height of the flag is one to two. The colors of the flag follow in this order: white, blue, red. Each color occupies one third of the width of the flag.

Colors:

White N-1 N95.

Blue N-46 N722509.

Red N-23 No74014.

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