"November Zulu variant 9", an alternative New Zealand national flag design (with suggested adaptations of the design to the other major flags and ensigns of the nation)



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In this variant of the '<u>November Zulu</u>' flag design, the hoist area has a white field that extends one-quarter the length of the flag. Atop this field are representations of the international signal flags for the letters 'N' and 'Z', which in military-speak equate to November Zulu. Each of the flags is given a narrow red border for better contrast against the white background. The three-quarter-length fly area is given a black field for the national flag, and it is graced by a white-starred version of the New Zealand-style Southern Cross. The fly area readily accommodates other field colours and symbols as required by the remaining flags and ensigns of the nation, as illustrated above. The N flag chequerboard of sixteen squares numerically symbolises the official regions of New Zealand proper, and the four triangles in the Z flag symbolise the remaining areas of the full Realm of New Zealand: the Ross Dependency, Tokelau, the Cook Islands, and Niue. The hoist always displays red-white-blue-and-black, the NZ national colours, and it has a nice touch of gold as well.