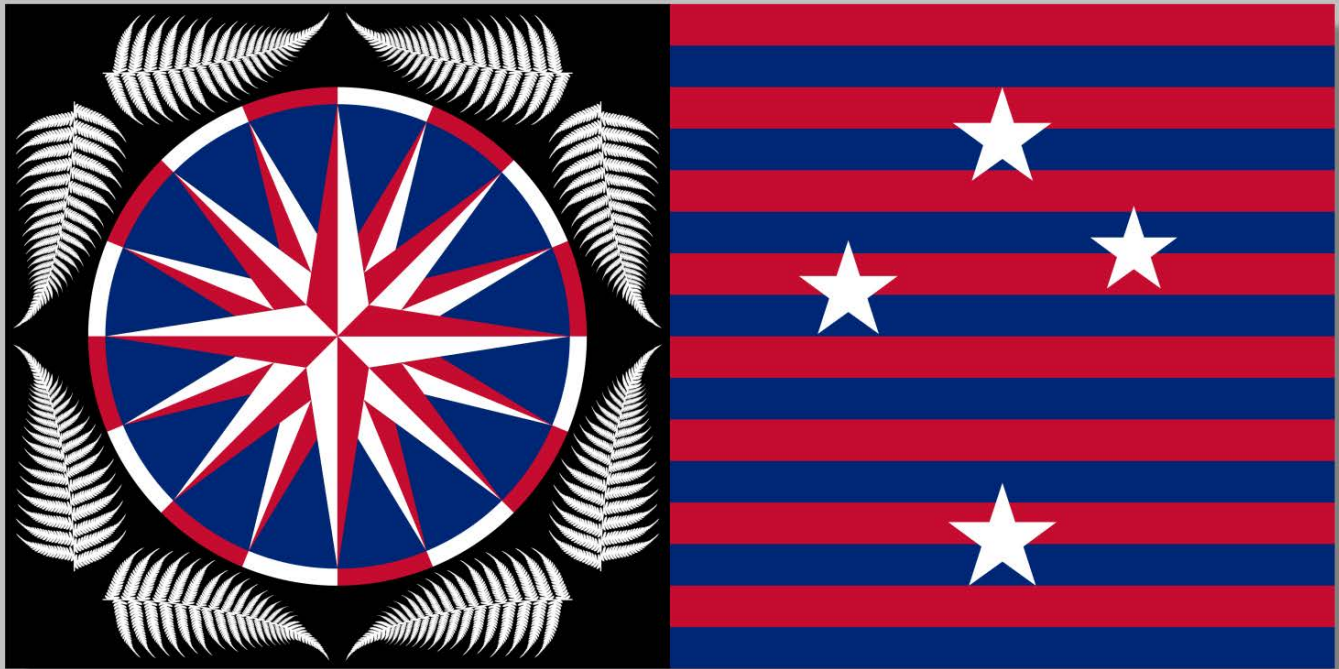


**"Onward", a New Zealand national flag design  
(suggested derivative flags and ensigns are also depicted)**

Suggested flags for the Ross Dependency and for the South Island are based on previous designs by vexillologist James Dignan



**Naval ships ensign**



**Air Force ensign**



**Civil ships ensign**



**Civil aviation ensign**



**Police Service ensign**



**Fire Service ensign**



**Customs Service ensign**



**Yacht Squadron ensign**



**RSA ensign**



**Niue flag**



**Cook Islands flag**



**Tokelau flag**



**Ross Dependency flag**



**Army ensign**



**Government ensign**



**UN ensign**



**Chatham Islands flag**



**Stewart Island flag**



**Otago flag**



**South Island flag**



'Onward' has not been New Zealand's official motto for quite some time, but it has not entirely lost its appeal, particularly since it has not been replaced by a new official motto, such as 'no assistance required'. Given that onward is above all a direction, it is symbolised in this flag design by a red-white-and-blue compass rose, one with sixteen points, representative of New Zealand's official regions, as are the sixteen red-and-blue stripes of the fly. The rose is framed by eight silver fern fronds, representing the full Realm of New Zealand: NZ proper, Niue, Tokelau, the Ross Dependency, the Cook Islands, the Chatham Islands, the Kermadec Islands, and the NZ Subantarctic Islands. The traditional NZ Southern Cross completes the design, one which will be distinctive from any distance and in any wind.