"Alpha Uniform", an Australian national flag design (suggested derivative flags and ensigns are also depicted)



At the hoist edge, on vertical stripes in the official Australian national colours of green and gold, are representations of the international signal flags for the letters 'A' and 'U', which in 'military speak' equate to Alpha Uniform, an abbreviation for both 'Australia' and for the gleaming yellowish metal that Oz is 'good as'. Some will note that the flags can individually signal 'I have a diver down' and 'you are running into danger', and that in combination they can also proclaim 'I am forced to alight near you'. Only the most dour of Aussies will fail to realise that all of these messages can be taken as humourous double entendres. The six kangaroo silhouettes represent Australia's states, and the ten stripes of the flag's fly the nation's territories. Should the number of states increase in future, the roos and the stripes can be adjusted accordingly, easy peasy. When the flag is rippling in the wind, the roos will seem to be leaping, and in any wind the unique red-and-blue stripes of the fly will make this flag easy to identify. A flag design could hardly be more chocka with Oz symbolism.