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1. This Act may be cited as the Trans Nzoia County Flag, Emblem and other Symbols Act.

2. In this Act;

“Symbol” means any county symbol, seal, flag, pennant, insignia, ensign or coat-of-arms of a kind specified in the First Schedule to this Act.

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3. The purpose of this Act is—

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(d) The Governor may by order, and with the approval of the County Assembly, amend the Schedule to add any symbol to which this Act may apply.

5. A person who shows disrespect, in speech, manner or writing to or with reference to the County flag, emblem or to any other symbol or any representation thereof shall be guilty of an offence and liable to the punishment specified in section 2B, of the National Flag, Emblems and Names Act as if the offence was committed in respect of the symbols described in this Act.

6. (a) Not withstanding anything contained in any law for the time being in force, a person shall not, except with the written permission of the Executive Committee Member for the time being in charge of legal affairs and County Public Service:

(i) Use any specified symbol, specified name or specified likeness, or any colorable imitation thereof, in furtherance of, or display the same as an Advertisement for, any trade, business, calling or profession; or

(ii) Use any specified emblem, specified name or specified likeness, or any Colorable imitation thereof, in the title of any patent, or in any trade mark or design; or

(iii) Manufacture or import any article or goods bearing any specified emblem, specified name or specified likeness, or any article or goods on which any title, trade mark or design is used in contravention of paragraph (ii) of this subsection,

(b) Subsection (a) (i) of this section relating to the use of a specified likeness shall not apply to the publication of a bona fide news item (whether in a newspaper or by any other medium) or to the publication in a newspaper of any article connected with any bona fide news item other
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(c) Any permission given under subsection (1) of this section may be given subject to such conditions as the Member of the Executive Committee in charge of legal affairs and County public service may deem fit.

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9. (1) Subject to this Act, the County flag shall be hoisted on the following occasions and instances:

   (a) On all national holidays
   (b) At all official functions attended by the governor, the deputy governor, speaker or member of the Executive committee.
   (c) At the headquarters of the county government;
   (d) At the head offices of sub-counties, wards and villages; and
   (e) At the county assembly
   (f) County community service centres; village polytechnics, County hospitals, health centres and such other institutions.

   (2) The Executive Committee Member may prescribe such other place where the County flag may be hoisted or displayed and by who.

10. The Governor shall be the custodian of the County flag, seal, emblem, and other symbols protected by this Act.

11. (1) The county flag, shall be hoisted within the County together with the national flag and shall be used to unite people by creating visual, verbal, or iconic representations of the national values and goals in the County.

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12. (1) The Executive Committee Member, for the time being in charge of legal affairs and County Public
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(a) Prescribing other occasions upon which, other persons by whom and the manner in which the County Flag may be flown, lowered or displayed, as the case may be;

(b) The days and the times during which the County flag shall be flown and hoisted;

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Kenya enacted a new constitution in 2010 creating 47 county administrative units. Each county is distinct and self sustaining with its own standards and insignia as expressed in the constitution of the republic of Kenya. The Trans Nzoia County flag is intended to symbolise the inclusion and hoped-for unity of the people of different backgrounds who live in this county regardless of ethnic origin, religion or political conviction.

Guidelines for use of the County Flag (Colours and Ration)

The County Flag is rectangular in shape, and it consist of three main colours –

1. Golden Yellow (C-0, Y-100, M-30 K-0) The color of new ideas, helping us to find new ways of doing things.

2. Green (C-87, Y-36, M-78 K-28), depicts positive and foward thinking and ability to nurture ourselves and others unconditionally and peacefully.

3. Brown ((C-33, Y-74, M-100 K-33) meaning material security and the accumulation of wealth.

It also has White stripes depicting things being done above board and Black for protecting the resource of the county.
Guidelines for use of the County Flag (Sizes and Measurements)

The County Flag shall be produced to the ratio of 3:2, as indicated in the illustration above—

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1. Green—The end of the green colour shall take a 1/3 of the flag on the lower side and shall start after the 11th part on the top part.

2. Brown—The brown color sandwiched between two white stripes should occupy 1/18 part of the entire flag on the lower side.

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DESCRIPTION

The County Emblem is the official Identity device of the County Government of Trans Nzoia. It consists of five different colours (Gold, Yellow, Green, Brown and Black) with unique meanings and the following elements:

The County Font (Copperplate gothic Bold),

Top Golden Ribbon (Representing the ability of the county to create wealth),

Trans Nzoia (The County Name),

Shield in yellow & black, (A shield for protecting food security, Social Diversity, and Industrial achievements),

A Cork Wheel (Symbolizing a new hope of Industrial revolution),

Eight Stringed instruments and the Traditional Quad (Uniting the cosmopolitan county’s traditions),

Tractor in a farm, Banana, Maize and Flower Plants (Representing the county’s commitment farming),

Mount Elgon and Sitatunga Antelopes (Representing the inviting scenery of the county),

Unity in Diversity (The county Motto),

Lower Golden Ribbon (Representing the abundant resource underlying the county)
DESCRIPTION

The Seal of the County is a simplified outline version of the County Emblem with an additional outer ring, two stars and the wordings; The seal of the county Government of Trans Nzoia. This device is designed to be embossed on official county documents by the county’s authorized officials.