

Who am I?



The flag of the State of Israel



How did I become the flag?

1. King Charles the Fourth gave the Jews of Prague in the year 1354 The privilege to “carry a flag” with a Star of David as a special sign of his Kindness.
2. In the year 1885 a flag was designed in a shape and the colors of a Talit. In the center of this design was a big blue Star of David which was displayed At the house of Zeev Abrahmovitz in Rishon Letzion, in honor of a students Celebration in a Jewish day school. Today, this flag is displayed in a museum in Rishon Letzion.
3. The flag of Israel, as we know it today, was first introduced in Boston in 1891 by the Union of “B’nai Zion”. The flag was designed by Rabbi Jacob Azkowitz and showed 2 blue stripes on a white background, between the stripes a star of David and in the center the word “Maccabi”
4. Theodore Herzl suggested a white flag with seven stars: The white background symbolized new and pure life. The stars represented seven hours of daily labor. This suggestion was rejected.
5. The flag, as we know it today, was chosen in the Zionist Congress in Bazel in the year 1897 by David Wolfson, who suggested combining the Talit- the traditional “flag” of Judaism, along with the Star of David (he did not know of the flag which was designed by the leaders of “B’nai Zion”?)
6. The flag of Israel was approved by Churchill as the official flag of the Jewish Brigade in the Second World War.
7. The flag of Israel was officially chosen by the temporary board of the State on the 28 of October 1949.

