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The United States flag has been redesigned 26 times since 1777, and the current design is the 27th. Here are some of the different versions of the U>S> flag in order:

- Grand Union Flag: Used from 1776-1777
- 13- star flag: Used from 177-1795
- Star-Spangled Banner: Used from 1795-1818 with 15 stars and 15 stripes
- 48 star flag: Used from 1912-1959
- 49 Star Flag: Used from 1959-1960
- 50 Star Flag: Used from 1960 to present

The 50 star flag is the longest-used version of the U>S> flag, and has been in use for over 64 years. The 50 stars represent the 50 states, and the 13 stripes represent the 13 original colonies.

When displaying the American flag with other flags, the American flag should be the most prominent and significant. It should be the largest, furthest left, and highest up.

"From our roots to our branches, extending service to our Veterans"- National President's motto

"Never forget the difference you make"- Department President's motto

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