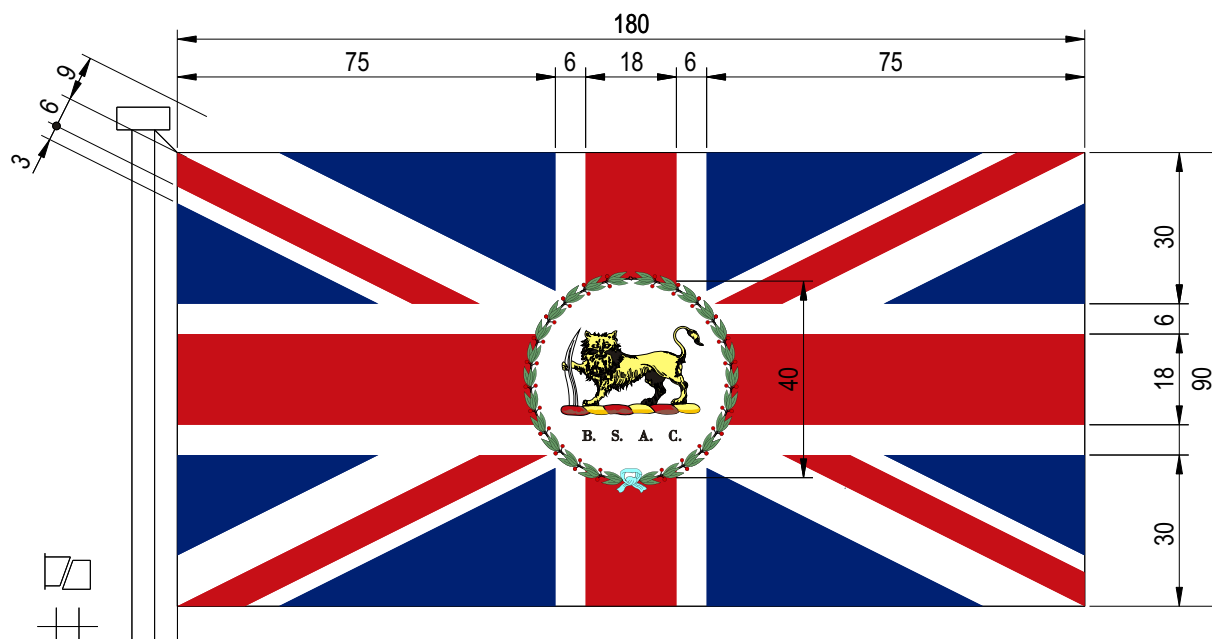


SOUTHERN AFRICAN VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION
 FLAG SPECIFICATION SHEET
British South Africa Company
 Administrator 1889 - 1923



DATA		COLOUR SPECIFICATIONS					
		Colour	Pantone	C	M	Y	K
Usage:	Administrator's flag	Red	186c	0	91	76	6
Ratio:	1 : 2	Royal Blue	280c	100	72	0	18.5
Adopted:	29 Oct 1889						
Abolished:	30 Sep 1923						
Designer:	-						

HISTORY AND SYMBOLISM

The British South Africa Company (BSAC) was granted a Royal Charter by Queen Victoria in 1889. The Charter empowered the BSAC to, *inter alia*, make treaties, promulgate laws, preserve the peace, maintain a police force, acquire new concessions and generally provide, at the Company's expense, the infrastructure of a new Colony.

The Company Administrator who, in terms of the Royal Charter, was the Crown's representative in the territories under the control of the company, was also entitled to a distinctive flag for his personal use in common with British Governors in other parts of the world. The flag of the Administrator would have had the company crest in the centre of a Union Jack within a green laurel garland.

There is no record of the Administrator's flag actually being used, nor are any on display in local museums, so it is doubtful whether such a flag ever existed.

Source: "The Flags of the British South Africa Company, 1890-1923" by Bruce Berry (ICV Lecture, 1993)

