

Wyoming State Flag

Equality State • Capital: Cheyenne • Statehood: 1890

Overview

Blue field bordered in white and red, with the silhouette of a bison at centre. Within the bison is the state seal, linking the symbol of the frontier with law and government. A bold, modern design that speaks plainly of the state's identity.

Flag specifications

Adopted: 1917-01-31
Designer: Verna Keays
Ratio: 7:10
Blue field with white bison centered bearing the state seal, bordered by white and outer red.

Colors

  
#B22234 #FFFFFF #002D72

Symbolism

bison	Represents the wildlife and the American West.
state seal	Highlights equality and the state's industries.
red and white border	Honors Native Americans and pioneers.

Historical timeline

- 1890: Admitted as the 44th state.
- 1917: Flag adopted after a DAR-sponsored contest.

Notable facts

- Nicknamed the Equality State for early adoption of women's suffrage.
- Original design had the bison facing the fly; it was reversed to face the staff.
- The bison is the central symbol of the flag.
- The state seal is placed on the bison's body.
- The blue field represents loyalty and justice.
- White border symbolizes purity and uprightness.
- The flag was first adopted in 1917.
- Wyoming was the first state to grant women the right to vote.

Seal deep dive

bison
A white silhouette of an American bison centered on the flag.
Meaning: Wyoming's wildlife heritage, strength, and the American West

stateSeal
The Wyoming state seal placed within the body of the bison.
Meaning: State authority, governance, and identity

fieldAndBorders
Blue field with white and red borders.
Meaning: Loyalty (blue), purity (white), and courage (red)

Vexillology notes

Design type: Animal emblem with embedded seal
Complexity: 5/10

