

# Gov Evers Press: Gov. Evers orders the flags to half-staff in honor of Wisconsin Firefighters Memorial Day

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MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers ordered the flags of the United States and the state of Wisconsin to be flown at half-staff on Sat., Oct. 15, 2022, in honor of Wisconsin Firefighters Memorial Day, as required by state statute, during Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 9 through Oct. 15, 2022.

“Wisconsin firefighters exemplify the best our state has to offer, putting their health and safety on the line to take care of their neighbors and serve their communities,” said Gov. Evers. “From fire prevention education to emergency response, we are grateful for their service. On Saturday, we honor and remember the fallen heroes who are no longer with us and share our deepest condolences with their families, friends, colleagues, and loved ones. The legacy of their service and sacrifice will never be forgotten.”

Fire Prevention Week is observed annually to recognize firefighters’ efforts to keep families and communities safe and to encourage Wisconsinites to take personal steps to have a planned and practiced home fire escape plan. The week will feature observances, ceremonies, exercises, and activities related to fire safety education and prevention. During Fire Prevention Week, the state of Wisconsin also recognizes Wisconsin Firefighters Memorial Day to honor the firefighters of this state who have made the ultimate sacrifice in performance of their duties over the course of the year. A copy of the governor’s Fire Prevention Week proclamation is available [here](#).

Previously, Gov. Evers ordered the flags to be flown at half-staff on Oct. 1, 2022, coinciding with the [Final Alarm Ceremony and Silent Procession](#) at the Wisconsin State Firefighters Memorial Park in Wisconsin Rapids, which is hosted by Wisconsin Fire & EMS Memorial Inc. in recognition of Firefighter Memorial Day.

Executive Order #176 will be in effect from sunrise to sunset on Sat., Oct. 15, 2022, and is available [here](#).

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