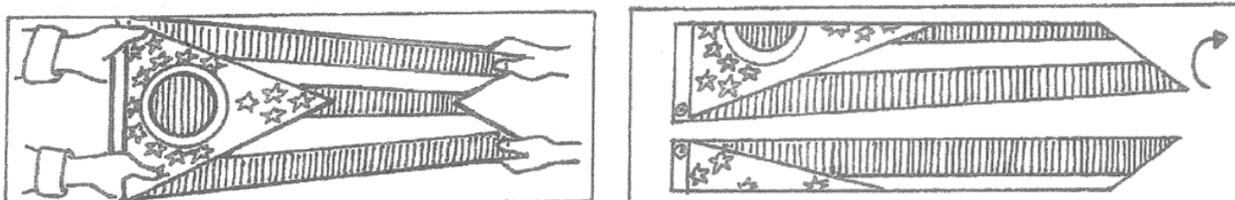


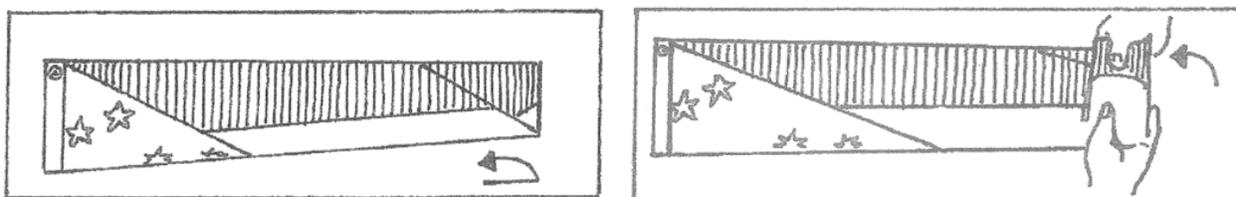
# Folding the Ohio Flag

Alex Weinstock, an Eagle Scout from Ohio's Junction City Troop 260, devised the following method of folding the burgee-shaped Ohio state flag as his Eagle project. This recommended procedure has been passed by the 125<sup>th</sup> Ohio General Assembly as House Bill 552, and signed into law by the Governor on February 15, 2005. (The full wording of the bill is at the bottom of this page.)

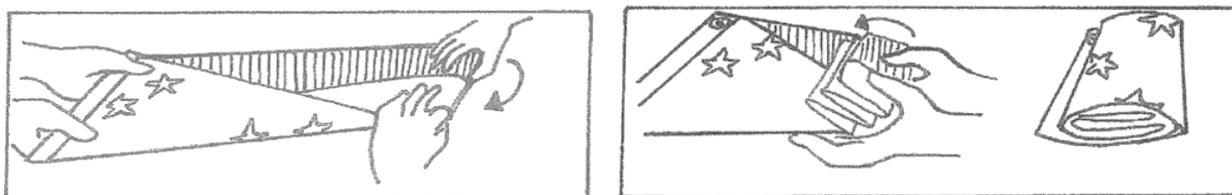
- 1) Two people hold the unfolded Ohio flag by its corners.
- 2) Fold the flag in half lengthwise, aligning its points.



- 3) Fold in half lengthwise again to form a long strip. The red circle should face the ground.
- 4) Fold about six inches of the pointed end upon itself to form a long thin rectangle. Three folds have now been done.



- 5) Fold about two inches of the squared tail end of the flag over upon itself.
- 6) Holding this fourth fold with the thumbs, fold under about two inches. Continue alternating over and under folds fourteen times in a fan-fold manner. This will create the seventeen folds that represent Ohio becoming the 17<sup>th</sup> state to enter the Union.



- 7) Use the remaining flag to wrap around the fourteen fan-folds snugly to form a compact rectangle. This can tuck under the arm for ceremonies and allows for quick unfurling when raising the flag.

## 125<sup>th</sup> Ohio General Assembly House Bill #255

The general assembly hereby establishes a recommended procedure for the folding of the state flag by two people. The procedure is as follows:

With the flag unfolded, fold the flag in half lengthwise so that the points of the flag are aligned. Fold the flag in half lengthwise a second time to form a long strip with the red disc facing the ground. Next, fold the pointed end back onto itself to form a rectangle. These steps entail three folds.

Starting on the end formed by the fold of the pointed end back onto itself, fold two inches of the flag onto itself for a flag with a three-foot hoist and a five-foot fly, or another appropriate width of fold for a flag of a different size. Repeat the folds a total of fourteen times, alternating the folds in a fan-like manner.

The result is a total of seventeen folds symbolizing that Ohio was the seventeenth state admitted to the Union. Finally, neatly and snugly wrap the remaining length of flag around the fan-folds to form a compact rectangle.