



From 1924, the British Red Ensign, with the Canadian arms in the fly, was flown as the Canadian flag abroad, while at home it became the national emblem in 1945.

On February 15, 1965, after prolonged public debate and consideration of hundreds of designs, an Act of Parliament proclaimed the red maple leaf flag (with 11 points) Canada's national emblem.

Order of Canada

The Order of Canada was established in 1967 to recognize outstanding merit among Canadian citizens and others. The honour provides three levels of membership: Companions, Officers and Members. The Order of Military Merit honours outstanding achievements for members of the Armed Forces. In addition, there are three awards for bravery: the Cross of Valour, the Star of Courage and the Medal of Bravery.