

**Subject:** Request for information on the removal of the inverted saltire for Scotland's Census branding.

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**Date responded:** 15 March 2022

**Information requested:**

Request for information regarding if and when NRS is planning to fix the issue of displaying the inverse saltire, which is the same as the Russian ensign, currently showing as the branding on the census website.

**NRS Response:**

NRS is aware of the guidance relating to use of this particular version of the logo. Where practical, this logo has now been removed, including on the Scotland's Census outputs website ([www.scotlandscensus.gov.uk](http://www.scotlandscensus.gov.uk)) and it will not be used in any material produced in the future.

NRS has taken the decision not to change the logo on the time-limited census collection website ([www.census.gov.scot](http://www.census.gov.scot)) as this would disrupt the collection of vital census information while the website was redesigned. It has also not been possible to change the logo on some of the pre-printed material.

NRS wants to ensure that everyone has a chance to complete their census and to have the needs of their local community heard.