






**First Referendum on the New Zealand Flag
Final Results by Count Report**

Option		Count 1	Count 2		Count 3		Count 4		Outcome	% of Total Votes in Count			
		First Preference Votes	Votes distributed	Progressive Vote Totals	Votes distributed	Progressive Vote Totals	Votes distributed	Progressive Vote Totals		Count 1	Count 2	Count 3	Count 4
Option A: Silver Fern (Black, White and Blue)		559,587	5,073	564,660	48,499	613,159	57,631	670,790	SUCCESSFUL	40.15%	40.85%	44.77%	50.58%
Option E: Silver Fern (Red, White and Blue)		580,241	4,201	584,442	22,628	607,070	48,396	655,466	UNSUCCESSFUL	41.64%	42.28%	44.33%	49.42%
Option B: Red Peak		122,152	12,409	134,561	14,760	149,321	Excluded		Excluded Count 3	8.77%	9.73%	10.90%	Excluded
Option D: Silver Fern (Black and White)		78,925	19,670	98,595	Excluded				Excluded Count 2	5.66%	7.13%	Excluded	
Option C: Koru		52,710	Excluded						Excluded Count 1	3.78%	Excluded		
Total Votes in Count		1,393,615		1,382,258		1,369,550		1,326,256					
Transferable Votes		-	41,353	-	85,887	-	106,027	-					
Non-transferable Votes		-	11,357	11,357	12,708	24,065	43,294	67,359					
Informal Votes		149,747	-	149,747	-	149,747	-	149,747					
Invalid Votes		3,372	-	3,372	-	3,372	-	3,372					
Total Votes Received		1,546,734	52,710	1,546,734	98,595	1,546,734	149,321	1,546,734					
Absolute Majority Required per Count		696,808		691,129		684,775		663,128					

Legend:

Absolute Majority

The absolute majority is 50% of valid votes. This number is determined at every count.

Non-transferable Votes

The number of votes that are no longer able to be transferred as all of the preferences given on the voting paper have been exhausted.

Informal Votes

An informal vote is where the voter has not clearly indicated their first preference.

Invalid Votes

Invalid votes are excluded from the count and include, for example, voting papers that cannot be processed because the voter has made the QR code unreadable, or voting papers cancelled as a result of replacement voting papers being issued.