



The Flag Pole

The CNE Flagpole is carved from a Douglas Fir approximately 350 years old and, when installed in 1977, stood 184 feet high. This flagpole replaced the original flagpole of 1930. Both flagpoles, when installed, had been the world's tallest wooden flagpoles. The 1977 flagpole retained this position until 1982 when it was surpassed by a 204-foot flagpole at the Calgary Stampede. In 2001, the CNE flagpole underwent extreme repair work and now stands at a reduced height of 103 feet, just over half of its original height.

Atop the CNE Flagpole is a copper ball with a time capsule containing memorabilia associated with the 1930 and 1977 installations. The copper ball, manufactured by James Gow and Company of Toronto, also sat atop the 1930 flagpole.

Still visible from many points on the exhibition grounds, the CNE Flagpole is a landmark site.

