

Jewish High Holidays

Academic Year 2016-17

Each holiday begins at sundown and ends one hour past sundown.

These are holidays in which work is not permitted (Yom Tovim, i.e. “Days of Happiness”). I have not included holidays when work is permitted.

The definition of “work” includes (but is not limited to): driving or travelling in a car or other vehicle, writing, using electronic devices, using phones, and engaging in commerce.

I have not included the Jewish Sabbath (Shabbat) in this list. However, Shabbat is observed each week every week beginning at sundown and ending one hour after sundown. Holidays that end on Friday night go directly into Shabbat. There is no time between the end of the holiday and the beginning of Shabbat.

HOLIDAYS, FALL 2016

Rosh Hashanah

No work is permitted: Just before sunset of Sunday, October 2 through one hour after Sunset of Tuesday, October 4

Yom Kippur

No work is permitted: Just before sunset of Tuesday, October 11 through just after sunset of Wednesday, October 12. (Note: This is a 25 hour fast with no food and no water. Employees may need to leave early in order to prepare for this fast.)

Sukkot Holidays

This is an eight-day holiday, but **just the first two and the last two days of the holiday are days when no work is permitted.** The eight-day holiday starts just before sunset on Sunday, October 16 and goes through one hour after sunset on Tuesday, October 23.

No work permitted:

First Two Days—beginning just before sunset, Sunday, October 16 to one hour after sunset, Tuesday, October 18.

Shemini Atzeret

No work is permitted: Just before sunset of Sunday, October 23 until just after sunset, Monday, October 24. (This holiday goes directly into Simchat Torah with no break.)

Simchat Torah

No work is permitted: Just before sunset of Monday, October 24 until one hour after sunset on Tuesday, October 25.

HOLIDAYS, SPRING 2017

Purim (Holiday Celebrating Queen Esther)

This is not technically a Yom Tov, but I have included it because many keep it like a Yom Tov. Work is permitted, but highly discouraged, from just before sunset on Saturday, March 11 until after sunset on Sunday, March 12.

Pesach (Passover)

Pesach is an eight-day holiday. **No work is permitted the first two days and the last two days of the holiday.** Remember that days begin and end at sundown.

Pesach 1 & 2: No work is permitted: Just before sunset Monday, April 10 until after sunset Wednesday, April 12.

Pesach 7 & 8: No work is permitted: Just before sunset Sunday, April 16 to one hour after sunset, Tuesday, April 18.

Shavuot (Celebration of the Giving of the Torah)

No work is permitted: Just before sunset on Tuesday, May 30 until after sundown on, Thursday, June 1.

Jewish Holidays At a Glance

Here are the holidays at a glance. Remember, each holiday begins approximately one hour before sundown and ends approximately one hour after sundown.

October 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

March/April 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22

May/June 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10



Holiday/Sabbath Begins at Sundown.



Holiday/Sabbath Day (Work not Permitted).