

Statewide Legal Holidays, Other Holidays, and Major Religious Observances in Massachusetts

The following list includes statewide legal holidays, other holidays, and some major religious holidays. The list does not include all religious holidays observed by every faith. State and federal law require Agencies such as DDS to make reasonable accommodation to the religious needs of individuals served by the agency and employees. For information on other religious holidays observed by members of religions represented in your region, please see <http://www.interfaithcalendar.org/> or contact local clergy. .

Statewide Legal Holidays:

	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016
Labor Day	Mon., Sept. 2	Mon., Sept. 1	Mon., Sept. 7
Columbus Day	Mon., Oct. 14	Mon., Oct. 13	Mon., Oct. 12
Veterans' Day	Mon., Nov. 11	Tues., Nov. 11	Wed., Nov. 11
Thanksgiving	Thurs., Nov. 28	Thurs., Nov. 27	Thurs., Nov. 26
Christmas Day	Wed., Dec. 25	Thurs., Dec. 25	Fri., Dec. 25
New Year's Day	Wed., Jan. 1	Thurs., Jan. 1	Fri., Jan. 1
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Mon., Jan. 20	Mon., Jan. 19	Mon., Jan. 18
Presidents' Day	Mon., Feb. 17	Mon., Feb. 16	Mon., Feb. 15
Patriots' Day	Mon., April 21	Mon., April 20	Mon., April 18
Memorial Day	Mon., May 26	Mon., May 25	Mon., May 30
Independence Day	Fri., July 4	Sat., July 4	Mon., July 4

Other Holidays and Major Religious Observances:

	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016
Eid al-Fitr**	Thurs., Aug. 8	Tues., July 29	Sat., July 18

Rosh Hashanah*	Sept. 5-Sept. 6	Sept. 25-Sept. 26	Sept. 14-Sept. 15
Yom Kippur*	Sat., Sept. 14	Sat., Oct. 4	Wed., Sept. 23
Sukkot*	Thurs., Sept. 19	Thurs., Oct. 9	Mon., Sept. 28
Ramadan**	July 9-Aug. 7	June 29-July 28	June 18-July 17
Diwali	Wed., Nov. 3	Thurs., Oct. 23	Wed., Nov. 11
Thanksgiving	Thurs., Nov. 28	Thurs., Nov. 27	Thurs., Nov. 26
Eid al-Adha**	Tues., Oct. 15	Sun., Oct. 5	Wed., Sept. 23
Chanukah*	Thurs., Nov. 28	Wed., Dec. 17	Mon., Dec. 7
Kwanzaa	Thurs., Dec. 26	Fri., Dec. 26	Sat., Dec. 26
Chinese New Year	Tues., Jan. 31	Thurs., Feb. 19	Tues., Mar. 8
Ash Wednesday	Wed., Mar. 5	Wed., Feb. 18	Wed., Feb 10
Vernal Equinox	Thurs., Mar. 20	Fri., Mar. 20	Sun., Mar. 20
Evacuation Day***	Mon., Mar. 17	Tues., Mar. 17	Thurs., Mar. 17
Palm Sunday	Sun., April 13	Sun. Mar. 29	Sun., Mar. 20
Passover *	Tues., April 15	Sat. April 4	Sat., April 23
Good Friday	Fri., April 18	Fri., April 3	Fri., Mar. 25
Easter	Sun., April 20	Sun., April 5	Sun., Mar. 27
Orthodox Good Friday	Fri., April 18	Fri., April 10	Fri., April 29
Orthodox Easter	Sun., April 20	Sun., April 12	Sun., May 1
Shavuot*	Wed., June 4	Sun., May 24	Sun., June 12

Bunker Hill Day***

Tues., June 17

Wed., June 17

Fri., June 17

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All Jewish holidays begin at sundown on the evening prior to the day of the holiday. In addition to dates noted, observant Jews celebrate the second, seventh and eighth days of Passover; the second, eighth and ninth days of Sukkot; and two days of Shavuot. Mass. Lawyers Diary and Manual.

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Due to the lunar calendar, these are only approximate dates.

Previous legal holiday in Suffolk County

Other Resource Links

- <http://www.interfaithcalendar.org/2014.htm>
 - <http://www.interfaithcalendar.org/2015.htm>
 - <http://www.interfaithcalendar.org/2016.htm>
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