

Staff Notice

U.S. Consulate General Jerusalem



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Official Holiday List for Calendar Year 2016

The Consulate General will be closed for business in calendar year 2016 as follows:

HOLIDAY	DATE
New Year's Day	January 1 (Friday)
Martin Luther King Day	January 18 (Monday)
Presidents' Day	February 15 (Monday)
¹ Passover (First Day)	April 23 (Saturday)
¹ Passover (Last Day)	April 29 (Friday)
¹ Israeli Independence Day	May 12 (Thursday)
Memorial Day	May 30 (Monday)
¹ Shavuot (Pentecost)	June 12 (Sunday)
U.S. Independence Day	July 4 (Monday)
² Eid Al Fitr (Festival of Breaking of the Fast)	See below.
Labor Day	September 5 (Monday)
¹ Rosh Hashana (New Year, First Day)	October 3 (Monday)
¹ Rosh Hashana (New Year, Last Day)	October 4 (Tuesday)
Columbus Day	October 10 (Monday)
¹ Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)	October 12 (Wednesday)
² Eid Al Adha (Festival of the Sacrifice)	See below.
¹ Succot (Feast of Tabernacles)	October 17 (Monday)
¹ Simhat Torah (Rejoicing of the Law)	October 24 (Monday)
Veterans Day	November 11 (Friday)
Thanksgiving Day	November 24 (Thursday)
³ Christmas Day	December 26 (Monday)
³ New Years Day 2017	January 2 (Monday)

¹ **Local Israeli holidays.**

² **Locally-observed Islamic holidays:** Dates for these holidays are based on the lunar calendar and currently estimated to be o/a July 5 for Eid Al Fitr (Festival of Breaking of the Fast) and o/a September 11 for Eid Al Adha (Festival of the Sacrifice) . A separate notice will be sent out when the exact dates are known.

- ³ **Christmas Day and New Years Day:** Since both holidays fall on a Sunday they will be observed the following Monday, as the official holiday consistent with U.S. Public Law 86-362.

For employees whose basic workweek is Monday through Friday, U.S. Public Law 86-362 stipulates that whenever any day declared to be a holiday by general statute or Executive Order occurs on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be observed as a holiday in lieu of Saturday. When a holiday occurs on Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed as a holiday. This law applies to American holidays only.

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