



MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DEPARTMENT OF CLIMATE CHANGE AND METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

WEATHER FORECAST FOR TONIGHT AND TOMORROW 18TH AUGUST 2026.

SYNOPSIS AND INFERENCE:

Expect cold to very cold and partly cloudy conditions tonight and during morning while partly cloudy and mild to warm weather over most areas in the afternoon. This is due to the influence of fairly moist Southeasterlies.

WARNING: Strong Mwera winds are gradually weakening to about 40km/h over Lake Malawi and other water bodies. Therefore, lake users are advised to exercise caution and take necessary precautions to protect lives and property.

SHIRE VALLEY (areas along Shire River and around Lake Chiuta and Chilwa)

Anticipate partly cloudy and mild conditions tonight and during morning hours. Partly cloudy and warm conditions in the afternoon.

Forecast Temperatures: Ngabu Min.16°C and Max.27°C

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS (Shire highlands, Kirk Range up to Dedza i.e. Ntcheu, Neno, Mwanza, Mulanje, Thyolo, Zomba, Chiradzulu, Phalombe and Blantyre)

Expect partly cloudy and cold to very cold conditions with fog patches tonight and during morning. Partly cloudy and mild conditions during afternoon.

Forecast Temperatures: Blantyre Min.11°C and Max.22°C

CENTRAL AREAS (Lilongwe, Mchinji, Ntchisi, Dowa, Kasungu and part of Mzimba District)

Mostly clear skies and cold to very cold conditions tonight and during morning hours. Partly cloudy and warm conditions in the afternoon.

Forecast Temperatures: Lilongwe Min.07°C and Max.24°C

LAKESHORE AREAS (Mangochi, Salima, Nkhotakota, Nkhata Bay, Likoma, Karonga)

Anticipate windy, mostly clear skies and mild conditions tonight and during morning hours. Windy, mostly sunny and warm conditions in the afternoon.

Forecast Temperatures: Mangochi Min.17°C and Max.26°C

NORTHERN AREAS (all areas in the north except lakeshore)

Expect mostly clear skies and cold to very cold conditions with fog patches in some areas tonight and during morning. Partly cloudy, occasionally windy and mild conditions during the afternoon.

Forecast Temperatures: Mzuzu Min.09°C and Max.21°C

WINDS: Generally Southeasterlies...

FORECAST FOR WEDNESDAY: Windy and partly cloudy weather with a chance of rain showers...

TIMES FOR SUNRISE AND SUNSET FOR TOMORROW 18TH AUGUST 2026.

CITY	SUNRISE	SUNSET	DAY LIGHT LENGTH
MZUZU	05:55	17:40	11:45
LILONGWE	05:58	17:39	11:40
BLANTYRE	05:55	17:32	11:36

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