



**FIVE DAY WEATHER FORECAST**

Issued on 01<sup>st</sup> January 2026; Valid until 6<sup>th</sup> January, 2026

**Key:** Warning level

<b>Likelihood</b>	<b>High</b>	2	6	10
	<b>Medium</b>	1	5	9
	<b>Low</b>		4	8
	<b>Very low</b>		3	7
	Minimal	Minor	Significant	Severe
		<b>Impact</b>		

A wet week is expected across most parts of the country, with localized heavy rainfall forecast across all regions due to the combined influence of the Inter-tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) and the Congo air mass.

**WARNING:** Ongoing rains increase the risk of flash floods and mudslides, especially in northern and lakeshore areas. People are advised to avoid weak structures including houses and pit latrines, and keep away from swollen rivers and drainage channels.

**WINDS:** Variable but gusty in stormy areas.

REGION	WEATHER ELEMENT	02 <sup>nd</sup> Jan 2026	03 <sup>rd</sup> Jan 2026	04 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2026	05 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2026	06 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2026
<b>SHIRE VALLEY</b> (areas along Shire River and around Lake Chiuta and Chilwa)	Weather					
	Maximum Temperature(°C)	34	35	32	29	30
	Minimum Temperature(°C)	23	24	24	23	23
	Wind Speed (Km/h)	16	14	11	09	08
	Wind Direction	NW	SW	SW	NW	SW
	<b>WARNING</b>		<b>Flash floods</b>	<b>Flash floods</b>	<b>Flash floods</b>	<b>Flash floods</b>
<b>SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS</b> (Shire highlands, Kirk Range up to Dedza)	Weather					
	Maximum Temperature(°C)	27	27	26	25	24
	Minimum Temperature(°C)	19	19	19	19	19
	Wind Speed (Km/h)	18	10	08	13	16
	Wind Direction	NW	SE	SW	NW	SW
	<b>WARNING</b>	<b>Windy</b>	<b>Flash floods</b>	<b>Flash floods</b>	<b>Flash floods</b>	<b>Flash floods</b>



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<b>CENTRAL AREAS</b> (Lilongwe, Mchinji, Ntchisi, Dowa, Kasungu and part of Mzimba District)	Weather					
	Maximum Temperature(°C)	27	28	26	24	24
	Minimum Temperature(°C)	18	17	19	19	19
	Wind Speed (Km/h)	14	13	12	20	24
	Wind Direction	NW	SW	SW	NW	NW
	<b>WARNING</b>				<b>Windy</b>	<b>Windy</b>
<b>LAKESHORE AREAS</b> (Mangochi, Salima, Nkhotakota, Nkhata Bay, Likoma, Karonga)	Weather					
	Maximum Temperature(°C)	28	29	28	27	28
	Minimum Temperature(°C)	21	22	23	23	22
	Wind Speed (Km/h)	24	15	13	16	22
	Wind Direction	NW	NW	NW	NW	NW
	<b>WARNING</b>	<b>Flash floods</b>				
<b>NORTHERN AREAS</b> (all areas in the north except lakeshore)	Weather					
	Maximum Temperature(°C)	26	25	25	26	26
	Minimum Temperature(°C)	17	18	18	18	19
	Wind Speed (Km/h)	15	11	22	25	23
	Wind Direction	NW	SW	NW	NW	NW
	<b>WARNING</b>		<b>Flash floods</b>	<b>Flash floods</b>	<b>Flash floods</b>	<b>WINDY</b>

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