



WEATHER FORECAST FOR TONIGHT AND TOMORROW 17TH JANUARY 2026.

SYNOPSIS AND INFERENCE:

Expect cloudy conditions with occasional thunderstorms and rains which will be locally heavy due to the influence of Congo air mass.

ADVISORY: Avoid crossing or driving through flooded or fast flowing waters.

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

Warm conditions with isolated rains tonight and during the morning. Windy and hot conditions with rain over few areas in the afternoon.

Forecast Temperatures: Ngabu Min.24°C and Max.33°C

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

Expect mild conditions with rains which will be locally heavy tonight and during morning. Cloudy conditions with isolated rains but heavy at times in the afternoon hours.

Forecast Temperatures: Blantyre Min.20°C and Max.26°C

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

Windy and mild conditions with localized rains tonight and during morning. Cloudy conditions with rain over few areas which will be locally heavy in the afternoon.

Forecast Temperatures: Lilongwe Min.19°C and Max.26°C

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

Occasionally windy conditions with localized thunderstorms tonight and during morning. Hot conditions with isolated rains in the afternoon. **Rough conditions are also expected over our water bodies.**

Forecast Temperatures: Mangochi Min.23°C and Max.28°C

NORTHERN AREAS (all areas in the north except lakeshore)

Expect mild conditions with localized rains tonight and during morning. Warm and cloudy conditions with rain over more areas in the afternoon.

Forecast Temperatures: Mzuzu Min.18°C and Max.26°C

WINDS: Generally north easterlies but variable in stormy areas...

FORECAST FOR SUNDAY: Partly cloudy with isolated rains but locally heavy mainly over the south...

TIMES FOR SUNRISE AND SUNSET FOR TOMORROW 16TH JANUARY 2026.

CITY	SUNRISE	SUNSET	DAY LIGHT LENGTH
MZUZU	05:31	18:15	12:44
LILONGWE	05:28	18:20	12:52
BLANTYRE	05:18	18:18	13:00

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