



MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DEPARTMENT OF CLIMATE CHANGE AND METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

WEATHER FORECAST FOR TONIGHT AND TOMORROW 17TH MARCH 2026.

SYNOPSIS AND INFERENCE:

Expect **thunderstorms and rains to persist over the country with localized heavy episodes, fog patches and occasionally windy conditions** due to the influence of a low-pressure system still active over Malawi.

WARNING: Heavy rains are expected to persist over most areas. Stay alert as the rains may trigger flash flooding over some areas.

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

Occasionally windy with thunderstorms and rain, which will be locally heavy tonight and during morning. Occasionally windy conditions with thunderstorms and rain in the afternoon. Forecast Temperatures: **Ngabu Min.23°C and Max.28°C**

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

Expect occasionally windy and fog with thunderstorms and rain, which will be locally heavy tonight and during morning. Occasionally windy conditions with thunderstorms and rain, which will be locally heavy in the afternoon. Forecast Temperatures: **Blantyre Min.20°C and Max.24°C**

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

Expect cloudy and fog conditions with thunderstorms and rain, which will be locally heavy tonight and during morning. Expect cloudy conditions with thunderstorms and rain, which will be locally heavy in the afternoon. Forecast Temperatures: **Lilongwe Min.18°C and Max.23°C**

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

Cloudy and windy conditions with thunderstorms and rain, which will be locally heavy tonight and during morning. Expect thunderstorms and rain, which will be locally heavy in the afternoon. Forecast Temperatures: **Mangochi Min.23°C and Max.26°C**

NORTHERN AREAS (all areas in the north except lakeshore)

Expect cloudy and foggy conditions with thunderstorms and rain, which will be locally heavy tonight and during morning. Cloudy conditions with thunderstorms and rain in the afternoon. Forecast Temperatures: **Mzuzu Min.18°C and Max.23°C**

WINDS: Variable but gusty in stormy areas...

FORECAST FOR WEDNESDAY: Thunderstorms and rains to persist...

TIMES FOR SUNRISE AND SUNSET FOR TOMORROW 17TH MARCH 2026.

CITY	SUNRISE	SUNSET	DAY LIGHT LENGTH
MZUZU	05:48	17:58	12:10
LILONGWE	05:49	17:59	12:10
BLANTYRE	05:42	17:55	12:13