



**FIVE DAY WEATHER FORECAST**

Issued on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2026; Valid until 24<sup>th</sup> March, 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
		<b>Minimal</b>	<b>Minor</b>	<b>Significant</b>	<b>Severe</b>
<b>Impact</b>					

Expect windy and cloudy conditions with localized thunderstorms and rains due to the influence of unstable easterlies. Over the weekend, a reduction in rainfall activity is anticipated but scattered thunderstorms and heavy rains are expected to persist over the lakeshore areas.

**ADVISORY:** Heavy rains are expected over some areas, particularly along the lakeshore. This poses a threat of potential flash floods occurring so stay safe and avoid crossing flooded areas.

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

REGION	WEATHER ELEMENT	20 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2026	21 <sup>st</sup> Mar 2026	22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar 2026	23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar 2026	24 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2026
		<b>SHIRE VALLEY</b> (areas along Shire River and around Lake Chiuta and Chilwa)	Weather	Localized thunderstorms & heavy rains	Isolated thunderstorms and rains	Isolated thunderstorms & rains
	Maximum Temperature(°C)	29	31	31	32	31
	Minimum Temperature(°C)	23	24	24	23	24
	Wind Speed (Km/h)	09	12	14	14	16
	Wind Direction	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE
	<b>WARNING</b>					<b>WINDY</b>
<b>SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS</b> (Shire highlands, Kirk Range up to Dedza)	Weather	Localized thunderstorms & heavy rains	Isolated thunderstorms & rains	Isolated thunderstorms & rains	Localized thunderstorms & heavy rains	Isolated thunderstorms & rains
	Maximum Temperature(°C)	27	26	25	27	25
	Minimum Temperature(°C)	20	19	20	19	18
	Wind Speed (Km/h)	11	10	12	15	14
	Wind Direction	NE	E	SE	SE	SE



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	<b>WARNING</b>				<b>WINDY</b>	
<b>CENTRAL AREAS</b> (Lilongwe, Mchinji, Ntchisi, Dowa, Kasungu and part of Mzimba District)	Weather	 Localized thunderstorms & heavy rains	 Isolated thunderstorms & rains	 Isolated thunderstorms & rains	 Isolated thunderstorms & rains	 Isolated thunderstorms & rains
	Maximum Temperature(°C)	25	26	26	25	26
	Minimum Temperature(°C)	19	18	19	18	19
	Wind Speed (Km/h)	13	17	16	15	16
	Wind Direction	NE	NE	NE	E	E
	<b>WARNING</b>		<b>WINDY</b>	<b>WINDY</b>	<b>WINDY</b>	
<b>LAKESHORE AREAS</b> (Mangochi, Salima, Nkhotakota, Nkhata Bay, Likoma, Karonga)	Weather	 Localized thunderstorms & heavy rains	 Scattered thunderstorms & heavy rains	 Scattered thunderstorms & heavy rains	 Scattered thunderstorms & heavy rains	 Localized thunderstorms & rains
	Maximum Temperature(°C)	29	30	29	30	29
	Minimum Temperature(°C)	23	22	23	24	24
	Wind Speed (Km/h)	09	13	17	19	16
	Wind Direction	S	SE	SE	SE	SE
	<b>WARNING</b>		<b>HEAVY RAIN</b>	<b>HEAVY RAIN</b>	<b>WINDY</b>	<b>WINDY</b>
<b>NORTHERN AREAS</b> (all areas in the north except lakeshore)	Weather	 Localized thunderstorms & heavy rains	 Localized thunderstorms & heavy rains	 Isolated thunderstorms & rains	 Isolated thunderstorms & rains	 Isolated thunderstorms & rains
	Maximum Temperature(°C)	26	27	25	27	26
	Minimum Temperature(°C)	17	18	19	18	19
	Wind Speed (Km/h)	10	15	14	13	11
	Wind Direction	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE
	<b>WARNING</b>		<b>WINDY</b>			

**Next to be issued on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2026.**

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