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SUBJECT:

2023 Calendar of Legal Holidays and Days of Religious Significance

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Introduction

The New York State General Construction Law establishes the days or dates on which legal holidays are observed in New York State. Under this law, holidays other than Flag Day which fall on a Sunday are observed on the following Monday. The Attendance Rules and negotiated agreements identify which of these legal holidays are observed as paid holidays by New York State as an employer. This calendar does not modify negotiated agreements or Attendance Rules items on the subject of holidays. (See Section 21.1, Holidays, in this Manual.)

Information concerning the days of religious significance was obtained from official religious sources. Since it is not possible to include in this calendar the days of religious significance of every faith, agencies with questions about other religious observances should call the Attendance and Leave Unit of this Department at (518) 457-2295.

The calendar is intended as a guide, since special and local conditions may cause variation from official practice. It is impossible here to note every observance, such as an individual saint's day, which ordinarily would not require absence from work.

The following further explains days of religious significance and the calendar notations:

1. An asterisk (*) indicates a day of required religious observance. The letters before an asterisk indicate the faiths for which the day is a day of required religious observance. The abbreviations used correspond to the following denominations or sub denominations:

EO	-	Eastern Orthodox
Р	-	Protestant
RC	-	Roman Catholic
OJ	-	Orthodox Jew
CJ	-	Conservative Jew
RJ	-	Reform Jew
Μ	-	Muslim

- 2. All days of religious significance for the Jewish faith begin at sundown on the evening <u>before</u> the date given.
- 3. The Orthodox Jewish faith requires its members to observe each Saturday as the Sabbath. Its members are not permitted to travel by car or common carrier after sundown on Friday evening.

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- 4. Reform Jews observe one day of required religious observance at the beginning and end of holy days rather than the two days Conservative and Orthodox Jews observe.
- 5. The Roman Catholic Church requires its members to attend Mass every Sunday and on days of required religious observance. In some areas, this obligation may be fulfilled by attending Mass after 4 p.m. on the preceding day. In some communities, the Solemnity of the Mother of God (January 1), the Assumption (August 15), and All Saints Day (November 1) are not considered to be days of required religious observance if they fall on a Saturday or a Monday.
- 6. The Eastern Orthodox Church requires its members to attend Divine Liturgy on Sundays and on days of required religious observance.
- 7. Some Eastern Orthodox churches, including many Russian Orthodox parishes, follow the Julian rather than the Gregorian calendar. For this reason, they celebrate certain days of religious significance 13 days later than the dates listed by the Eastern Orthodox Church.
- 8. Members of the Islamic faith observe Fridays as their major day of worship. The fast of Ramadan begins at sundown on the evening <u>before</u> the date given; there is no prohibition on working during Ramadan. The two days of required religious observance are Eid-ul-Fitr (Festival of Fast breaking) and Eid-ul-Adha (Festival of Sacrifice). Members of the Islamic faith are prohibited from working on those two days. All of the dates of Islamic observance are tentative because they are based on sightings of the moon. Those wishing to confirm the exact dates should call the Attendance and Leave Unit no more than 30 days before the date listed on the calendar.

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	1	Sunday	New Year's Day	Feast of the Circumcision (EO) Solemnity of the Mother of God (RC*)
	2	Monday	New Year's Day (Observed) ¹	
	6	Friday		Feast of the Epiphany (P) (EO*)
JANUARY	8	Sunday		Feast of the Epiphany (RC)
	16	Monday	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	
	18-25	Wednesday to Wednesday		Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (P) (RC)
	2	Thursday		The Presentation of Christ (EO*)
	6	Monday		Tu Bi Shevat (OJ, CJ, RJ)
	12	Sunday	Lincoln's Birthday ²	
	13	Monday	Lincoln's Birthday (Observed) ¹	
FEBRUARY	18	Saturday		Saturday of Souls (EO)
	20	Monday	Washington's Birthday (Observed)	
	22	Wednesday		Ash Wednesday (RC) (P)
	25	Saturday		Saturday of Souls (EO)
	26	Sunday		First Sunday of Lent (P)
	3	Friday		World Day of Prayer (P)
	4	Saturday		Saturday of Souls (EO)
	5	Sunday		Sunday of Orthodoxy (EO)
MARCH	6	Monday		Fast of Esther (OJ, CJ, RJ)
	7	Tuesday		Purim (OJ, CJ, RJ)
	22	Wednesday		First Day of Ramadan (M) ³
	25	Saturday		The Annunciation (EO*)

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	2	Sunday		Palm Sunday (RC) (P)
	5	Wednesday		First Passover Seder (OJ*, CJ*, RJ*)
	6	Thursday		Holy Thursday (RC) (EO*) Passover (OJ*, CJ*, RJ*) Maundy Thursday(P)
	7	Friday		Passover (OJ*, CJ*, RJ) Good Friday (RC) (P) (EO*)
	8-11	Saturday to Tuesday		Intermediate Days of Passover (OJ, CJ, RJ)
	8	Saturday		Holy Saturday (EO*)
APRIL	9	Sunday		Easter Sunday (RC) (P) Palm Sunday (EO*)
	12	Wednesday		Passover (OJ*, CJ*, RJ*)
	13	Thursday		Passover (OJ*, CJ*)
	16	Sunday		Easter Sunday (EO*)
	18	Tuesday		Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Memorial Day)
	21	Friday		Eid-al-Fitr (Festival of Fast breaking) (M*) The Feast of the Life-Giving Fountain (EO)
	23	Sunday		The Feast of St. George (EO)
	25	Tuesday		Yom HaZikaron (Day of Remembrance)
	26	Wednesday		Yom HaAtzmaut (Israel Independence Day)
	5	Friday		May Friendship Day (P)
	9	Tuesday		Lag Ba Omer (OJ, CJ, RJ)
MAY	18	Thursday		Ascension Thursday (RC*) (P) (EO*)
	19	Friday		Yom Yerushalayim (Jerusalem Day)

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	21	Sunday		The Feast of Sts. Constantine and Helen (EO)
	26	Friday		Shavuot (OJ*, CJ*, RJ*)
MAY	27	Saturday		Shavuot (OJ*, CJ*)
	28	Sunday		Pentecost (RC) (P)
	29	Monday	Memorial Day	
	3	Saturday		Saturday of Souls (EO)
	4	Sunday		Pentecost (EO*)
	5	Monday		The Feast of The Holy Spirit (EO)
JUNE	11	Sunday	Flag Day ⁴	Corpus Christi (RC) (observed in NY Dioceses)
	19	Monday	Juneteenth	
	25	Sunday		All Saints Day (EO)
	28	Wednesday		Eid-ul-Adha (Festival of Sacrifice) (M*)
	29	Thursday		Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul (EO)
	4	Tuesday	Independence Day	
JULY	6	Thursday		Fast of the 17th Tammuz (OJ, CJ, RJ)
	27	Thursday		Fast of the 9th of AV (OJ, CJ, RJ)
	6	Sunday		The Transfiguration of Jesus Christ (EO*)
AUGUST	15	Tuesday		The Assumption (RC*) The Repose of the Blessed Mother (EO)
	4	Monday	Labor Day	
SEPTEMBER	8	Friday		Nativity of Theotokos (EO)
SEPTEMBER	12	Tuesday		The Elevation of the Holy Cross (EO*)

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	16	Saturday		Rosh Hashanah (OJ*, CJ*, RJ*)
	17	Sunday		Rosh Hashanah (OJ*, CJ*, RJ)
SEPTEMBER	24	Sunday		Kol Nidrei (OJ*, CJ*, RJ*)
	25	Monday		Yom Kippur (OJ*, CJ*, RJ*)
	30	Saturday		Sukkot (OJ*, CJ*, RJ*)
	1	Sunday		Sukkot (OJ*, CJ*, RJ) World Communion Sunday (P)
	2-6	Monday- Friday		Intermediate Days of Sukkot (OJ, CJ, RJ)
OCTORED	7	Saturday		Shemini Atzeret (OJ*, CJ*, RJ*)
OCTOBER	8	Sunday		Simchat Torah (OJ*, CJ*)
	9	Monday	Columbus Day	
	24	Tuesday		Feast of St. Demetrios (EO)
	31	Tuesday		Reformation Day (P)
	1	Wednesday		All Saints Day (RC*) (P)
	2	Thursday		All Souls Day (RC)
	7	Tuesday	Election Day	
NOVEMBER	11	Saturday	Veterans' Day	
	18	Saturday		World Community Day (P)
	19	Sunday		Presentation of the Virgin Mary (EO)
	23	Thursday	Thanksgiving	Thanksgiving Day (P)
	3	Sunday		First Sunday of Advent (P)
DECEMBER	4	Monday		Feast of St. Nicholas (EO)
DECEMBER	8	Friday		Feast of the Immaculate Conception (RC*)

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	8-15	Friday to Friday		Chanukah (OJ, CJ, RJ)
DECEMBER	25	Monday	Christmas Day	Feast of the Nativity of the Lord (RC*) (EO*) Christmas Day (P)
	26	Tuesday		First Day of Kwanzaa ⁵
	27	Wednesday		Feast of St. Stephen (EO)

1. Under the Attendance Rules when a holiday falls on a Sunday it is observed on the following Monday.

2. Lincoln's Birthday is designated as a Floating Holiday.

3. The observance of Ramadan is anticipated to begin on March 22, 2023. See introduction, Note 8.

4. Flag Day, the second Sunday in June, is not observed on the following Monday, and is not a paid holiday for State employees.

5 Kwanzaa ends on January 1, 2024.