

(No. 30)

HEROES' REMEMBRANCE DAY (WAR OF INDEPENDENCE  
AND ISRAEL DEFENCE ARMY) LAW, 5723—1963 \*\*

1. (a) The 4th of Iyar shall be a day of remembrance of the heroism of the fighters of the War of Independence and of the Defence Army of Israel who gave their lives for the establishment of the State of Israel and for safeguarding its existence, a day of communion with their memory and evocation of their brave deeds.

4th Iyar —  
Remembrance  
Day.

(b) If the 4th of Iyar falls on a Friday, Remembrance Day shall be observed on the 2nd of Iyar of that year; if it falls on a Thursday, Remembrance Day shall be observed on the 3rd of Iyar of that year.

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1) *Sefer Ha-Chukkim* No. 379 of 5722, p. 114; *LSI* vol. XVI, p. 99.

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Beginning and end of Remembrance Day.

2. Remembrance Day shall begin at sunset on the eve of the 4th of Iyar or the 3rd of Iyar or the 2nd of Iyar, as the case may be, and shall end upon the appearance of the stars on the following day.

Mode of observance of Remembrance Day.

3. On Remembrance Day there shall be, throughout the State, a two-minute silence during which all work and all road traffic shall be suspended. Flags on public buildings shall be flown at half-mast. Memorial functions and public rallies shall be held. Commemorative ceremonies shall take place in camps of the Defence Army of Israel and at educational institutions. Broadcasting programmes shall reflect the special character of the day.

Prohibition of public entertainments.

4. (a) No public entertainments shall be held on the eve of Remembrance Day.

(b) A person who contravenes subsection (a) shall be liable to a fine.

(c) For the purposes of this section, "public entertainment" has the same meaning as in the Public Entertainments Ordinance, 1935<sup>1)</sup>.

Directions for the observance of Remembrance Day.

5. The Minister of Defence, in consultation with the Public Advisory Board appointed for the purposes of the Military Cemeteries Law, 5710—1950<sup>2)</sup>, may issue directions for the observance of Remembrance Day in accordance with this Law.

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<sup>1)</sup> P.G. of 1935, Suppl. I, No. 496, p. 51 (English Edition).

<sup>2)</sup> *Sefer Ha-Chukkim* No. 55 of 5710, p. 258; *LSI* vol. IV, p. 137.