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## **Public Holidays Act, 1990**

### **Act 26 of 1990**

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**Assented to on 6 December 1990**

**Commenced on 1 February 1991**

*[Up to date as at 17 September 2021]*

*[Amended by [Public Holidays Amendment Act, 2004 \(Act 16 of 2004\)](#) on 17 December 2004]*

ACT

**To provide for public holidays and for incidental matters.**

BE IT ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Republic of Namibia, as follows:-

### **1. Public Holidays**

*[The word "Holidays" in this heading should not be capitalised.]*

- (1) The days specified in the Schedule shall be public holidays.
- (2) When a public holiday falls on a Sunday the following Monday shall also be a public holiday, unless that Monday is a public holiday.
- (3) The President may by proclamation in the Gazette declare any day in a particular year, not being a public holiday in terms of subsection (1) or (2), to be a public holiday.

### **2. Interpretation of laws**

Any reference in any law to a public holiday shall be construed as a reference to a public holiday referred to in section 1.

### **3. Repeal of Act 7 of 1987**

The Public Holidays Act, 1987, is hereby repealed.

#### **4. Short title and commencement**

This Act shall be called the Public Holidays Act, 1990, and shall come into operation on 1 February 1991.

#### **Schedule**

New Year's Day

Good Friday

Easter Monday

Independence Day (the twenty-first day of March)

Workers Day (the first day of May)

Cassinga Day (the fourth day of May)

Ascension Day

Africa Day (the twenty-fifth day of May)

Heroes Day (the twenty-sixth day of August)

Day of the Namibian Women and International Human Rights Day (the tenth day of December)

*[The name of this public holiday is substituted by Act 16 of 2004.]*

Christmas Day (the twenty-fifth day of December)

Family Day (the twenty-sixth day of December).