

When Tisha B'av Falls on Sunday

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This year, with Tisha B'Av on Sunday, many unique halachos apply, a few of which are presented here.

One must complete *seudah shlishis* before *shkiah*, when the prohibition of eating begins. The other prohibitions begin at *tzeis hakochavim*.

In Europe, when Tisha B'Av was on Sunday, people generally wore Shabbos clothes at Ma'ariv on *motza'ei* Shabbos, which was davened at the regular time. But in recent years, many shuls have adopted the practice of davening Ma'ariv a little later, giving people time to go home, change clothes, and drive back to shul. As a result, different minhagim have developed as to whether one removes his Shabbos clothes immediately after Shabbos or wears them for the rest of the evening.

This year, havdalah is not made until Sunday night, because drinking wine is forbidden, but one does recite the *bracha* of *borei m'orei ha'eish* after Shabbos. Although there are usually different minhagim about whether to stand or sit for havdalah (based on the question of which is the greater *kvius*), in this case everyone should sit, because sitting is considered more of a *kevius* for a single *bracha*.

One should not fully clean up after Shabbos, because this takes one's mind off mourning (Aruch Hashulchan O.C. 554). After *chatzos hayom*, when the mourning is less strict, it is permitted. R' Shmuel Kamenetsky permits turning on the dishwasher at night.