

# JEWISH HOLIDAY CALENDAR 2010 – 2014

The **Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC)** of the **Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford** has prepared this four-year calendar for Jewish community organizations, schools and synagogues. Holidays on which Jewish tradition calls for adults and children to refrain from day-to-day occupations and routines are shaded.

	<b>5771 2010-2011</b>	<b>5772 2011-2012</b>	<b>5773 2012-2013</b>	<b>5774 2013-2014</b>
<b>ROSH HASHANAH</b> Beginning of the Jewish New Year	Sept. 9 & 10 Thurs. & Fri. (starts sunset Sept.8)	Sept. 29 & 30 Thurs. & Fri. (starts sunset Sept. 28)	Sept. 17 & 18 Mon. & Tues. (starts sunset Sept. 16)	Sept 5 & 6 Thurs & Fri (starts sunset Sept. 4)
<b>YOM KIPPUR</b> Day of Atonement. Most solemn of Jewish holy days; devoted to fasting, prayer and repentance.	September 18 Saturday (starts sunset Sept. 17)	October 8 Saturday (starts sunset Oct. 7)	September 26 Wednesday (starts sunset Sept. 25)	September 14 Saturday (starts sunset Sept. 13)
<b>SUKKOT</b> Jewish festival of thanksgiving and harvest commemorating the dwelling of the ancient Israelites in booths in the wilderness	Sept. 23 & 24 Thurs. & Fri. (starts sunset Sept. 22)	October 13 & 14 Thurs. & Fri. (starts sunset Oct. 12)	October 1 & 2 Mon. & Tues. (starts sunset Sept. 30)	September 19 & 20 Thurs and Fri. (starts sunset Sept. 18)
<b>SHEMINI ATZERET</b> Eighth day of Sukkot for all denominations; Simchat Torah for Reform Jews.	September 30 Thursday (starts sunset Sept. 29)	October 20 Thursday (starts sunset Oct. 19)	October 8 Monday (starts sunset Oct.7)	September 26 Thursday (starts sunset Sept 25)
<b>SIMCHAT TORAH</b> Rejoicing of the Law. Reading of the Torah is completed and begun anew.	October 1 Friday (starts sunset Sept. 30)	October 21 Friday (starts sunset Oct.20)	October 9 Tuesday (starts sunset Oct. 8)	September 27 Friday (starts sunset Sept 26)
<b>CHANUKAH</b> Eight-day festival marking the first recorded battle for religious liberty and the rededication of the Temple by the Maccabees.	December 2-9 Thurs. – Thurs. (first candle Dec. 1)	December 21-28 Wed. – Wed. (first candle Dec. 20)	December 9 - 16 Sun. – Sun. (first candle Dec. 8)	Nov 28-Dec 6 Thurs- Thurs (first candle Dec. 8)
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>TU B'SHVAT</b> New Year's day of trees. Planting season begins; symbol of hope, rebirth and joy in nature.	January 20 Thursday (starts sunset Jan. 19)	February 8 Wednesday (starts sunset Feb. 7)	January 26 Saturday (starts sunset Jan. 25)	January 16 Thursday (starts sunset Jan. 15)
<b>PURIM</b> Feast of Esther. Jewish day of merry-making marking defeat of Persian tyrant Haman.	March 20 Sunday (starts sunset March 19)	March 8 Thursday (starts sunset March 7)	February 24 Sunday (starts sunset Feb. 23)	March 16 Sunday Starts sundown March 15)
<b>PESACH (PASSOVER)</b> Jewish festival commemorating the deliverance of Jews from slavery in Egypt. Only unleavened foods are eaten. The first two days and last two days are observed as holy days.	April 19 & 20 Tues. & Wed. (starts sunset April 18)  April 25 & 26 Mon. & Tues. (starts sunset April 24)	April 7 & 8 Sat. & Sun. (starts sunset April 6)  April 13 & 14 Fri. & Sat. (starts sunset April 12)	March 26 & 27 Tues. & Wed. (starts sunset March 25)  April 1 & 2 Mon. & Tues. (starts sunset March 31)	April 15 & 16 Tues. & Wed. (starts sunset April 14)  April 21 & 22 Mon. & Tues. (starts sunset April 20)
<b>YOM HASHOAH</b> Honors the memory of the six million Jewish martyrs and heroes who perished in the Holocaust	May 1 Sunday (starts sunset April 30)	April 19 Thursday (starts sunset April 18)	April 7 Sunday (starts sunset April 6)	April 27 Sunday (Starts Sunset April 26)
<b>YOM HAZIKARON</b> Israel Memorial Day remembering the soldiers who gave their lives for Israel's Independence	May 9 Monday (starts sunset May 8)	April 25 Wednesday (starts sunset April 24)	April 15 Monday (starts sunset April 14)	May 23 Saturday (Starts sunset May 22)
<b>YOM HA'ATZMAUT</b> Israel Independence Day	May 10 Tuesday (starts sunset May 9)	April 26 Thursday (starts sunset April 25)	April 16 Tuesday (starts sunset April 15)	May 5 Monday (Starts sunset May 4)
<b>LAG BA'OMER</b> 33 <sup>rd</sup> day of counting of the Omer. Traditional date for joyous celebration.	May 22 Sunday (starts sunset May 21)	May 10 Thursday (starts sunset May 9)	April 28 Sunday (starts sunset April 27)	May 18 Sunday (Starts sunset May 17)
<b>YOM YERUSHALAYIM</b> Jerusalem Day. Celebrates the 1967 reunification of Jerusalem.	June 1 Wednesday (starts sunset May 31)	May 20 Sunday (starts sunset May 19)	May 8 Wednesday (starts sunset May 7)	May 27 Tuesday (starts sunset May 26)
<b>SHAVUOT</b> Jewish festival commemorating the giving of the Law at Mt. Sinai.	June 8 & 9 Wed. & Thurs. (starts sunset June 7)	May 27 & 28 Sun. & Mon. (starts sunset May 26)	May 15 & 16 Wed. & Thurs. (starts sunset May 14)	June 4 & 5 Wed. & Thurs. (starts sunset June 3)
<b>TISHA B'AV</b> 9 <sup>th</sup> day of the month of Av. Mourns the destruction of the first and second temples and other tragedies that have befallen the Jewish people.	August 9 Tuesday (starts sunset August 8)	July 29 Sunday (starts sunset July 28)	July 16 Tuesday (starts sunset July 15)	August 5 Tuesday (Starts sunset August 4)

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