

LONDON BRIDGE

GENERAL INFORMATION

Please note, the information in this document, including timings and locations are planning assumptions only and may be subject to change.

Flying of Flags	<p>All official flags including the Union Flag are to be half-masted on all UK government buildings across the UK from D Day until 0800 hours on D+11. Flags should be flown 24 hours per day.</p> <p>The only exception to half-masting during this period of mourning will be during the Proclamations for the new King. The Union Flag and all other official flags should be raised to full mast from the time the Principal Proclamation is read from St James's Palace at 1100 hours on D+1 until 1300 hours on D+2. This is to ensure that all Flags are flown Full-mast when the Proclamation is read to the people of Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales. Flags will be flown at Half-mast on all other occasions. DCMS will update this notice on gov.uk with the date of the Proclamations as soon as it is announced.</p> <p><u>Half-masting of Flags</u></p> <p>When flags are flown Half-mast, they are flown two-thirds of the way up the flagpole, with at least the height of the flag between the top of the flag and the top of the flagpole.</p> <p>N.B. Flags should be flown 24 hours per day</p>
Mourning	<p>National Mourning: From Day of Death until the Day of the funeral inclusive</p> <p>Royal Mourning: provisionally one month.</p> <p>The Prime Minister's Office will issue guidance on the implications of National Mourning</p> <p>Black armbands will only be worn by the military</p>
Dress	<p>Livery Companies may wish to reflect on how they dress. There is no formal advice, but those who normally wear a tie should wear a plain sober coloured or black tie. As noted above, black armbands will only be worn by the military.</p>
Proclamation at the Royal Exchange	<p>After the Principal Proclamation has taken place at St James's Palace, the Proclamation will be delivered on the steps of the Royal Exchange confirming the name and identity of the heir who will succeed Her Majesty. The Proclamation will be delivered in the presence of the Lord Mayor, Court of Aldermen, High Officers and Members of</p>

	<p>Common Council. Viewing of the ceremony at the Royal Exchange will be available from designated viewing areas under the direction of the City Police. Further proclamations will take place the following day in Edinburgh, Cardiff and Belfast.</p>
Book of Condolence	<p>Books of Condolence may be opened throughout the Country under Civic arrangements. It is anticipated that a book of condolence will be opened at Guildhall two days after death until the day of the funeral. There is no requirement for other organisations, including Livery Companies, to have a book of condolence.</p>
Ringling of Bells	<p><u>St Paul's Cathedral</u> Great Tom, the State Bell, will be tolled for the number of years of The Queen's life as follows: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If announcement occurs before 10.00 - noon on the same day • If announcement occurs between 10.00 and 12.00 - 14.00hrs on the same day • If announcement occurs between 12.00 and 16.00 - 19.30 hrs on the same day • If announcement occurs after 16.00 - noon on the following day. <p><u>Other Churches</u> Bells may be tolled at the discretion of local Parochial Church Councils. They may be tolled for one hour as shown below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If announcement occurs before 10.00 - noon on the same day • If announcement occurs between 10.00 and 12.00 - 14.00hrs on the same day • If announcement occurs between 12.00 and 16.00 - 19.30 hrs on the same day • If announcement occurs after 16.00 - noon on the following day. <p>Details will be covered in the first press release issued by the Royal Communications Office.</p>
National Silence	<p>A nationwide two-minute silence is anticipated at the conclusion of the funeral service.</p>
Letters of condolence	<p>The Lord Mayor will send a letter on behalf of the City of London Corporation to the new Sovereign. The Court of Aldermen will send an Address of Condolence to the new Sovereign and the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons will send an Address of Condolence by way of Resolution to the new Sovereign. Livery Companies may choose to adopt a collective approach, rather than each individual Master/ Prime Warden sending a letter.</p> <p>The Palace have indicated that a collective approach would be sensible and practical but would not wish to dictate to the Livery if their preference would be to send individual letters.</p>

<p>Flowers and Wreaths</p>	<p>All official wreaths, including those from Livery Companies, should be sent to the Superintendent, Windsor Castle and will be laid out under his arrangements.</p> <p>If members of the public wish to leave flowers, they will be encouraged to leave them in The Green Park or in Victoria Tower Gardens prior to viewing the Lying-in-State. Flowers left outside the Gates of Buckingham Palace will be moved to a designated floral tribute site in The Green Park each night by The Royal Parks.</p>
<p>Loyal Toasts</p>	<p>Following the Accession Council the Loyal Toasts will be - THE KING</p> <p>The second Loyal Toast will be – THE QUEEN CONSORT, THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF CORNWALL AND CAMBRIDGE AND THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL FAMILY</p>
<p>Event cancellation</p>	<p>Buckingham Palace will issue detailed advice.</p> <p>It may be necessary to cancel certain events or adjust their content or timings. It is suggested that the following points be considered –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nature of the event (e.g. is it a public or private event?) • Will it be in keeping with the mood of the Nation at this time? • What connection does the event have to HM The Queen? • Can the event be adjusted to reflect the right tone? • Does the event require police or local authority support and resources at a time these maybe stretched or severely depleted? • What impact will any travel restrictions have on the event? • Will attendees be travelling from outside London? <p>For information it maybe helpful to note that following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother in 2002 the following advice was issued by the Palace –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working and private functions were to go ahead • Public functions were to be cancelled until the end of the period of national mourning • One minutes silence was to be observed before grace • Condolence was to be expressed during the proposal of the loyal toast • Black armbands were not to be worn