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Mourning period announced

On 24 October 2025, Her Majesty Queen Sirikit, The Queen Mother, died.

The royal family will observe a one-year mourning period. The government has encouraged the public to **dress in black or subdued colours for 90 days** as a gesture of remembrance and respect.

During this period many ceremonies will take place in Bangkok, particularly in and around Sanam Luang near the Grand Palace and near the Throne Hall.

Respectful tone for public events and online posts

For public activities, the government has asked that organizers make sure that events are "appropriate" and "in line with public sentiment." There are no specific rules and no ban on public activities. According to a guide posted by the online website *The Thaiger*, making events "appropriate" and "in line with public sentiment" might mean:

- Canceling loud celebrations.
- Toning down live music or parties.
- Replacing upbeat events with more subdued formats.

About online behavior, it advises:

- Avoid posting jokes, memes, or speculation about the queen's passing.
- Use respectful language when discussing the queen's death or royal funeral online.
- Be cautious about what you share or comment on, even if it seems harmless

¹ The Thaiger, What happens during a royal mourning period in Thailand? A guide for expats and tourists, 27 October 2025, https://thethaiger.com/thai-life/what-happens-during-a-royal-mourning-period-in-thailand-a-guide-for-expats-and-tourist