



Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day Act 2022

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The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

1 Title

This Act is the Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day Act 2022.

2 Commencement

This Act comes into force on the day after the date on which it receives the Royal assent.

Part 1

Preliminary provisions

3 Purpose

The purpose of this Act is to provide for—

- (a) a day of commemoration to acknowledge the long and dedicated service of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II to New Zealand; and
- (b) the commemoration day to be observed as a New Zealand public holiday in accordance with the Holidays Act 2003.

4 Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, **public holiday** has the meaning given by section 5(1) of the Holidays Act 2003.

5 Act binds the Crown

This Act binds the Crown.

Part 2

Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day

6 Observance of Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day

- (1) In acknowledgement of the long and dedicated service of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II to New Zealand, 26 September 2022 is to be observed as a day of commemoration in New Zealand.
- (2) The day of commemoration is to be known as Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day.

7 Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day to be public holiday

- (1) Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day is to be treated as—
 - (a) a public holiday for the purposes of the Holidays Act 2003, and that Act applies, with any necessary modifications, to the observance of that day; and
 - (b) a day on which a school must be closed in accordance with section 115 and clause 3 of Schedule 21 of the Education and Training Act 2020.
- (2) A reference in any legislation to the Sovereign's birthday or the Queen's birthday is to be treated as referring to Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day in addition to the Sovereign's birthday or the Queen's birthday.
- (3) To avoid doubt, Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day is to be observed in addition to the days specified in section 44(1) of the Holidays Act 2003.

8 Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day not business or working day for purposes of calculating certain periods of time

- (1) This section applies to a requirement or an obligation—
 - (a) for a person to perform an action within, by, or no sooner than a specified number of business or working days (for example, the giving of a notice or the filing of a document) whether that requirement or obligation arises before or after the commencement of this Act; and
 - (b) that is found in any agreement, deed, notice, or other document.
- (2) Despite any other legislation or rule of law, Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day is not a business or working day for the purpose of calculating the time within, by, or no sooner than which a requirement or an obligation to which subsection (1) applies must be performed.

Legislative history

19 September 2022	Introduction (Bill 168–1)
20 September 2022	First reading, second reading, committee of the whole House, third reading
21 September 2022	Royal assent

This Act is administered by the Ministry of Business, Innovation, and Employment.