

A person should do his best to avoid a court date in the month of אב. There is a מחלוקת as to whether this means the whole month of אב (משנה ברורה), until after תשעה באב (כף החיים), or until טו באב (חתם סופר).

It is אסור to wash clothing on חול המועד. Children's clothing and hand towels may be washed. If the person only has one garment he may wash it on חול המועד if he needs. The ערוך השלחן holds that applies today as well, while most רב שלמה זלמן holds it does not, and if a person has nothing to wear, he should buy clothing.