

**CHRISTMAS, NEW YEAR & AUSTRALIA DAY HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS
FOR DECEMBER 2007 - JANUARY 2008**

STEVEDORING SERVICES

Friday 21 st December 2007	Normal working day
Saturday 22 nd December 2007	Normal working day
Sunday 23 rd December 2007	Normal working day
Monday 24 th December 2007 (Xmas Eve)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Shutdown at 1200 <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – Normal vessel operations to cease at 1430. Will work evening shift with volunteers if required. No work on night shift.
Tuesday 25 th December 2007 (Christmas Day)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> - No work on any shift. Closed. <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – No work on day shift & evening shift. Will work nightshift from 2230 with volunteers if required.
Wednesday 26 th December 2007 (Boxing Day)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Commence work at 0600. <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – Normal working day.
Thursday 27 th December 2007	Normal working day
Friday 28 th December 2007	Normal working day
Saturday 29 th December 2007	Normal working day
Sunday 30 th December 2007	Normal working day
Monday 31 st December 2007 (New Year’s Eve)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Shutdown at 1400. <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – Normal day shift. Will work evening and night shift with volunteers if required.
Tuesday 1 st January 2008 (New Year’s Day)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Commence vessel operations at 0600. <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – Normal vessel operations.
Wednesday 2 nd January 2008	Normal working day
Friday 25 th January 2008	Normal working day
Saturday 26 th January 2008 (Australia Day)	Normal working day
Sunday 27 th January 2008	Normal working day
Monday 28 th January 2008 (Australia Day holiday)	Normal working day
Tuesday 29 th January 2008	Normal working day

N.B. Please be aware the words “**Closed Port**” is a stevedoring definition relating to cargo handling and bears no relationship to marine activities within the confines of the port areas.

Cargo work can be performed (apart from closed port shifts where volunteers are required) on the other days including Public Holidays.

RECEIVING & DELIVERY OPERATIONS

Friday 21 st December 2007	Normal working day
Saturday 22 nd December 2007	Normal working day
Sunday 23 rd December 2007	Normal working day
Monday 24 th December 2007 (Xmas Eve)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Shutdown at 1200 <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – Normal work day till 1430. Evening shifts with volunteers if required. No night shifts
Tuesday 25 th December 2007 (Xmas Day)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – No work on any shift. <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – No work day shift & evening shift. Nightshift with volunteers if required from 2230.
Wednesday 26 th December 2007 (Boxing Day)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> - Will be operational on a demand basis if required. <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – Normal working day.
Thursday 27 th .December 2007	Normal working day
Friday 28 th December 2007	Normal working day
Saturday 29 th December 2007	Normal working day
Sunday 30 th December 2007	Normal working day
Monday 31 st December 2007 (New Year's Eve)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Shut down at 1400. <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – Normal working day shift. Will work evening and night shift with volunteers if required.
Tuesday 1 st January 2008 (New Year's Day)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Work on demand basis. <u>DP World Port</u> – Normal working day
Wednesday 2 nd January 2008	Normal working day
Friday 25 th January 2008	Normal working day
Saturday 26 th January 2008	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Will be operating on a demand basis if required. <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – Normal working day shift. Will work evening and night shift with volunteers if required.
Sunday 27 th January 2008	Normal working day
Monday 28 th January 2008	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Will be operating on a demand basis if required <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – Normal working day shift. Will work evening and night shift with volunteers if required.
Tuesday 29 th January 2008	Normal working day

R. & D can be performed during the holiday periods if sufficient inducement is proffered.

Application of Storage (DP World Port Botany)

Storage for Christmas Day will be counted as follows: those containers already on storage over this period will continue as normal to accrue storage charges. For containers not on storage on Christmas Day, storage will not be counted on this day. Storage charges on all other public holidays will be counted as normal working days.

Should any further clarification be required, please contact the following personnel:

Ship Operations:	Operations Manager	9394 0936
R&D Operations:	Transport Management	9394 0930

EMPTY CONTAINER PARKS

Friday 21 st December 2007	Normal working day
Saturday 22 nd December 2007	Most parks will be operating; some may close early (2-3pm).
Sunday 23 rd December 2007	Most parks will be closed; some may open by prior arrangement.
Monday 24 th December 2007 (Xmas Eve)	Most parks will be closed; some may open by prior arrangement.
Tuesday 25 th December 2007 (Xmas Day)	Facilities will be closed
Wednesday 26 th December 2007 (Boxing Day)	Facilities will be closed
Thursday 27 th December 2007	Normal working day
Friday 28 th December 2007	Normal working day
Saturday 29 th December 2007	Most parks will be operating; some may close early (2-3pm).
Sunday 30 th December 2007	Most parks will be closed; some may open by prior arrangement.
Monday 31 st December 2007 (New Year's Eve)	Facilities will be closed
Tuesday 1 st January 2008 (New Year's Day)	Facilities will be closed
Wednesday 2 nd January 2008	Normal working day
Friday 25 th January 2008	Normal working day
Saturday 26 th January 2008 (Australia Day)	Most parks will be closed; some may open by prior arrangement.
Sunday 27 th January 2008	Most parks will be closed; some may open by prior arrangement.
Monday 28 th January 2008 (Australia Day Holiday)	Facilities will be closed
Tuesday 29 th January 2008	Normal working day

Reefer mechanics will be operating normal hours both Friday and be on call for the other days.

N.B. Please check with individual terminals as to cessation and commencement times for the above.

PILOTAGE, TOWAGE AND LINES SERVICES

SVITZER – TOWAGE & LINESMEN
AUSTRALIAN MARITIME SERVICES TUGS
AUSPORT MARINE LINESMEN
SYDNEY PILOT SERVICE

All pilotage, towage and linesmen services are working through out the Christmas and New Year period.

N.B. Members who are involved at this particular time should confirm with the tugs and allied services to be on the safe side.

Availability of services in Port Jackson on Boxing Day, New Years Eve into New Years Day will be governed by the Harbour closure, see Sydney Ports Corporation. statement below.

Australia Day (Saturday 26th January 2008 to Monday 28th January 2008) Tug operations will be governed by Harbour closure, see Sydney Ports Corporation statement below.

SYDNEY PORTS CORPORATION

Wednesday 26 th December 2007 (Boxing Day)	Port Jackson will be closed 0900 to 1600 hours. (To accommodate the Sydney to Hobart yacht race).
Monday 31 st December 2007 (New Year's Eve)	Port Jackson will be closed from 1500 to 0300 hours (Monday 1 st January 2007) to accommodate New Years Eve fireworks.
Saturday 26 th January 2008 (Australia Day)	Port Jackson will be closed from 0800 to 2300 hours to accommodate Australia Day celebrations.
Monday 28 th January 2008 (Australia Day Holiday)	Normal operations

Port Botany will remain operational throughout the holiday period.

Harbour Control: Operating 24 hours, 7 days.

Phone 9296 4001 Facsimile 9247 7804 V.H.F. 13

Shipping Office: Operating Monday to Friday 0800 to 1700 hours.

Closed from Friday 21st December 2007. Re-opens Wednesday 2nd January 2008.
All enquiries to Harbour Control.

AUSTRALIAN QUARANTINE AND INSPECTION SERVICE (A.Q.I.S)

Friday 21 st December 2007	Normal working day
Saturday 22 nd December 2007	Normal working day
Sunday 23 rd December 2007	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime. Please contact A.Q.I.S on 02 8334 7444 for Fresh Produce and Mobile Inspections.
Monday 24 th December 2007 (Xmas Eve)	Normal working day with reduced staffing numbers.
Tuesday 25 th December 2007 (Xmas Day)	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Wednesday 26 th December 2007 (Boxing Day)	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Thursday 27 th December 2007	Public Service Holiday but A.Q.I.S. will be open with reduced staffing members. Overtime charges may apply.
Friday 28 th December 2007	Normal working day
Saturday 29 th December 2007	Normal working day
Sunday 30 th December 2007	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Monday 31 st December 2007 (New Year's Eve)	Normal working day
Tuesday 1 st January 2008 (New Years Day)	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Wednesday 2 nd January 2008	Normal working day
Friday 25 th January 2008	Normal working day
Saturday 26 th January 2008 (Australia Day)	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Sunday 27 th January 2008	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Monday 28 th January 2008 (Australia Day Holiday)	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Tuesday 29 th January 2008	Normal working day

AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE

For outward Vessel Clearance & Sea Cargo Export Clearance normal services will be provided throughout the period.

Contact numbers: Phone 8339 6136/6670 Fax 8339 6281

For vessel Boarding duties, normal services will be provided through out the period.

Contact number: Phone. 8339 6607 Fax 8339 6281

Customs Information and Support Centre

Customs Systems Support will be in the office on all days during the Christmas / New Year period with an on call officer available after hours.

Contact number at all times is 1300 558 099

N.S.W. After hours fax number: (02) 8339 6751

Personal Effects Clearance

Thursday 27th, Friday 28th & Monday 31st
December 2007

The public counter at Customs House, Sydney will be open for personal effects clearances. Cashiers will be open to take payments. Hours of operation will be 0830 to 1700 hours.

Customs Wharf Offices

The Customs offices at Patrick, DP World Pt. Botany will be closed for business on Tuesday 25th December 2007, Wednesday 26th December 2007, Monday 31st December 2007, Tuesday 1st January 2008 and Monday 28th January 2008.

These offices will provide a service from 0730 to 1530 hours on Thursday 27th December 2007. Normal service will resume on Friday 28th December 2007.

Please note that the Customs Information and Support Centre (C.I. & S.C.) will be available when wharf offices are closed.

Contact numbers: -

Patrick Port Botany	Phone 9666 7029
DP World Pt. Botany	Phone 9666 9006
C.I. & S.C	Phone 1300 558 099

Sydney Ports Cargo Facilitation Committee

Customs Examination Facility (X-Ray)

The hours of operation will be as follows:

Friday 21 st December 2007	Normal working day
Saturday 22 nd December 2007	Normal working day
Sunday 23 rd December 2007	0530 – 1540 hours
Monday 24 th December 2007 (Xmas Eve)	Facility closed
Tuesday 25 th December 2007 (Xmas Day)	Facility closed
Wednesday 26 th December 2007 (Boxing Day)	0530 – 1430 hours
Thursday 27 th December 2007	Normal working day
Friday 28 th December 2007	Normal working day
Saturday 29 th December 2007	Normal working day
Sunday 30 th December 2007	Normal working day
Monday 31 st December 2007 (New Year's Eve)	Facility closed
Tuesday 1 st January 2008 (New Year's Day)	Facility closed
Wednesday 2 nd January 2008	0600 – 2130 hours
Friday 25 th January 2008	Normal working day
Saturday 26 th January 2008 (Australia Day)	Normal working day
Sunday 27 th January 2008	0530-1540 hours
Monday 28 th January 2008 (Australia Day Holiday)	Facility closed
Tuesday 29 th January 2008	Normal working day

RAILWAYS

The Railway Stakeholders have yet to declare their work arrangements, however as in previous years it is expected that they will work within the arrangements as set by the other participating organisations.

Rail Possession Times

26 th -31 st December 2007 (Eastwood to Berowra)	Limited single line operation for freight services to/from the north (noted limited freight program forecast to during this period)
2 nd – 21 st January 2008 (Glenfield to Campbelltown - main south)	Limited single line operations with full closedown on weekends. Freight impact: very limited operations into Sydney before the am peak and ex Sydney after pm peak. No access to Minto terminal during the first week of the possession. Most southern freight to be diverted via Illawarra line.
26 th – 28 th January 2008 (Auburn to Westmead - main west)	Weekend possession with single line freight operation. Freight impact: restricted freight operations on main west.
26 th – 28 th January 2008 (Metropolitan Goods lines)	Full weekend possession ¹