

**CHRISTMAS, NEW YEAR & AUSTRALIA DAY HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS
FOR DECEMBER 2008 - JANUARY 2009**

STEVEDORING SERVICES

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

Sunday 21st December 2008	Normal working day
Monday 22nd December 2008	Normal working day
Tuesday 23rd December 2008	Normal working day
Wednesday 24th December 2008 (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.
Thursday 25th December 2008 (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.
Friday 26th December 2008 (Boxing Day)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Commence work at 0600. <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – Normal working day.
Saturday 27th December 2008	Normal working day
Sunday 28th December 2008	Normal working day
Monday 29th December 2008	Normal working day
Tuesday 30th December 2008	Normal working day
Wednesday 31st December 2008 (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.
Thursday 1st January 2009 (New Year's Day)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Commence vessel operations at 0600. <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – Normal vessel operations.
Friday 2 nd January 2009	Normal working day

AUSTRALIA DAY

Friday 23rd January 2009	Normal working day
Saturday 24th January 2009	Normal working day
Sunday 25th January 2009	Normal working day
Monday 26th January 2009 (Australia Day holiday)	Normal working day
Tuesday 27 th January 2009	Normal working day

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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.

CONTAINER AND TERMINAL RECEIVING & DELIVERY OPERATIONS

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Sunday 21st December 2008	Normal working day
Monday 22nd December 2008	Normal working day
Tuesday 23rd December 2008	Normal working day
Wednesday 24th December 2008 (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
Thursday 25th December 2008 (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.
Friday 26th December 2008 (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.
Saturday 27th December 2008	Normal working day
Sunday 28th December 2008	Normal working day
Monday 29 th December 2008	Normal working day
Tuesday 30th December 2008	Normal working day
Wednesday 31st December 2008 (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.
Thursday 1st January 2009 (New Year's Day)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Work on demand basis. <u>DP World Port</u> – Normal working day
Friday 2nd January 2009	Normal working day

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Friday 23rd January 2009	Normal working day
Saturday 24th January 2009	Normal working day
Sunday 25th January 2009	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Will be operating on a demand basis if required. <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – Will work evening and night shift.
Monday 26th January 2009 (Australia Day Holiday)	<u>Patrick Port Botany</u> – Will be operating on a demand basis if required <u>DP World Port Botany</u> – Normal working day.
Tuesday 27th January 2009	Normal working day
Wednesday 28th January 2009	Normal working day

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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 0916
R&D Operations:	Transport Management	9394 0930

EMPTY CONTAINER PARKS

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

Sunday 21st December 2008	Facilities will be closed
Monday 22nd December 2008	Normal working day
Tuesday 23rd December 2008	Normal working day
Wednesday 24th December 2008 (Xmas Eve)	Most parks will be operating; some may close early
Thursday 25th December 2008 (Xmas Day)	Facilities will be closed
Friday 26th December 2008 (Boxing Day)	Facilities will be closed
Saturday 27th December 2008	On application
Sunday 28th December 2008	Facilities will be closed
Monday 29th December 2008	Normal working day
Tuesday 30th December 2008	Normal working day
Wednesday 31st December 2008 (New Year's Eve)	Most parks will be operating; some may close early
Thursday 1st January 2009 (New Year's Day)	Facilities will be closed
Friday 2nd January 2009	Normal working day
Friday 23rd January 2008	Normal working day
Saturday 24th January 2008	On application
Sunday 25th January 2008	Facilities will be closed
Monday 26th January 2008 (Australia Day Holiday)	Facilities will be closed
Tuesday 27th January 2008	Normal working day

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

PILOTAGE, TOWAGE AND LINES SERVICES

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SVITZER – TOWAGE & LINESMEN
PB TOWAGE
AUSPORT MARINE LINESMEN
SYDNEY PILOT SERVICE

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

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 Monday 26th January 2009, Tug operations will be governed by Harbour closure, see Sydney Ports Corporation statement below.

SYDNEY PORTS CORPORATION

Friday 26 th December 2008 (Boxing Day)	Port Jackson will be closed 0900 to 1600 hours. (To accommodate the Sydney to Hobart yacht race).
Wednesday 31 st December 2008 (New Year's Eve)	Port Jackson will be closed from 1500 to 0300 hours (Thursday 1 st January 2009) to accommodate New Years Eve fireworks.
Monday 26 th January 2009 (Australia Day Holiday)	Port Jackson will be closed from 1030 to 2300 hours to accommodate Australia Day celebrations.

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 1200 Wednesday 24th December 2008 and re-opens Monday 5th January 2009.

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

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

Sunday 21 st December 2008	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Monday 22 nd December 2007	Normal working day
Tuesday 23 rd December 2008	Normal working day
Wednesday 24 th December 2008 (Xmas Eve)	Normal working day with reduced staffing numbers.
Thursday 25 th December 2008 (Xmas Day)	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Friday 26 th December 2008 (Boxing Day)	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Saturday 27 th December 2008	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Sunday 28 th December 2008	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Monday 29 th December 2008	Public Service Holiday but A.Q.I.S. will be open with reduced staffing members. Overtime charges may apply.
Tuesday 30 th December 2008	Normal working day
Wednesday 31 st December 2008 (New Year's Eve)	Normal working day
Thursday 1 st January 2009 (New Years Day)	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Friday 2 nd January 2009	Normal working day

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Friday 23 rd January 2009	Normal working day
Saturday 24 th January 2009	Normal working day
Sunday 25 th January 2009	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Monday 26 th January 2009 (Australia Day Holiday)	External container inspections and air cargo operations as required, all other inspections require booked overtime.
Tuesday 27 th January 2009	Normal working day

AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE

Vessel Clearance

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

Personal Effects Clearance

Thursday 25 th December 2008	Closed
Friday 26 th December 2008	Closed
Monday 29 th December 2008	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.
Monday 26 th January 2009	Closed

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: 1300 558 099

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

Customs Wharf Offices

The Customs offices at Patrick and DP World Port Botany will be closed for business on Thursday 25th December 2008, Friday 26th December 2008, Monday 29th December 2008, Thursday 1st January 2009 and Monday 26th January 2009.

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

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Customs Examination Facility (X-Ray)

The hours of operation will be as follows:

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Sunday 21 st December 2008	Facility Closed
Monday 22 nd December 2008	Normal Working Day
Tuesday 23 rd December 2008	Normal Working Day
Wednesday 24 th December 2008 (Xmas Eve)	0530-1430 Hours
Thursday 25 th December 2008 (Xmas Day)	Facility closed
Friday 26 th December 2008 (Boxing Day)	Normal Working Day
Saturday 27 th December 2008	Normal working day
Sunday 28 th December 2008	Facility Closed
Monday 29 th December 2008	Normal working day
Tuesday 30 th December 2008	Normal working day
Wednesday 31 st December 2008 (New Year's Eve)	0530-1430 Hours
Thursday 1 st January 2009 (New Year's Day)	Normal Working Day
Friday 2 nd January 2009	Normal Working Day

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RAILWAYS

It is expected that Railways operations will work within rail operator requirements as set by the other participating organisations.

RailCorp Metropolitan Track Possession Times

26 th -30 th December 2008 (Lidcombe to Granville)	Full possession Friday 26 th December to Sunday 28 th December. 2 of 4 tracks closed Monday 29 th December to Tuesday 30 th December. Affecting western, Sandown and Yennora traffic.
2 nd – 18 th January 2009 (Fairfield to Glenfield – main south)	Limited access, with full closedown Granville to Campbelltown on weekends. Impact on Minto and Yennora service.
24 th – 25 th January 2008 (Auburn to St Marys - main west)	Weekend possession with single line freight operation. Freight impact: restricted freight operations on main west.