

Security of Payments – Comparison Table

December 2025 – January 2026

State	Definition of Business Day	Non-Business Days	
New South Wales Building and Construction Industry Security of Payment Act 1999 No 46 (NSW)	Section 4: Any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday, or 27 – 31 December.	Public holidays / shutdown: 25 December 2025 – 1 January 2026 26 January 2026 (Australia Day) Weekends 3 – 4 January 2026 10 – 11 January 2026 17 – 18 January 2026 24 – 25 January 2026	
Victoria Building and Construction Industry Security of Payment Act 2002 (VIC)	Section 4: Any day that is not a Saturday or a Sunday; or a day that is wholly or partly observed as a public holiday throughout Victoria.	Public holidays / shutdown: 25 December 2025 – 26 December 2025 1 January 2026 (New Year's Day) 26 January 2026 (Australia Day) Weekends 3 – 4 January 2026 10 – 11 January 2026 17 – 18 January 2026 24 – 25 January 2026	
Queensland Building Industry Fairness (Security of Payment) Act 2017 (QLD)	Schedule 2: Does not include a Saturday, Sunday, public holiday or any day occurring within any of the following periods: 22 – 24 December; 27 – 31 December; and 2 – 10 January.	Public holidays / shutdown: 22 December 2025 – 10 January 2026 26 January 2026 (Australia Day) Weekends 3 – 4 January 2026 10 – 11 January 2026 17 – 18 January 2026 24 – 25 January 2026	
South Australia Building and Construction Industry Security of Payment Act 2009 (SA)	Section 4: Any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday, or 27 – 31 December; or any other day on which there is a State-wide shut-down of operations of the building and construction industry.	Public holidays / shutdown: 25 December 2025 – 1 January 2026 26 January 2026 (Australia Day) Weekends 3 – 4 January 2026 10 – 11 January 2026 17 – 18 January 2026 24 – 25 January 2026	

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Western Australia

Building and Construction Industry (Security of Payment) Act 2021 (WA)

Section 4:

Any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday, or any other day that falls between 22 December in any year and 10 January in the following year (inclusive).

Public holidays / shutdown:

22 December 2025 – 10 January 2026 26 January 2026 (Australia Day)

Weekends

3 - 4 January 2026

10 - 11 January 2026

17 - 18 January 2026

24 - 25 January 2026

Australian Capital Territory

Building and Construction Industry (Security of Payment) Act 2009 (ACT)

Dictionary:

A business day does not include 27 – 31 December. Reference is also made to the *Legislation Act 2001* (ACT), which states that a business day is a day that is not a Saturday, a Sunday or a public holiday.

Public holidays / shutdown:

25 December 2025 – 1 January 2026 26 January 2026 (Australia Day)

Weekends

3 - 4 January 2026

10 - 11 January 2026

17 - 18 January 2026

24 - 25 January 2026

Tasmania

Building and Construction Industry Security of Payment Act 2009 (Tas)

Section 4A:

Any day other than a Saturday or Sunday, or a day specified in the *Statutory Holidays Act 2000* (Tas), or the 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th or 31st of December.

Public holidays / shutdown:

25 December 2025 – 1 January 2026 26 January 2026 (Australia Day)

Weekends

3 – 4 January 2026

10 - 11 January 2026

17 – 18 January 2026

24 - 25 January 2026

Northern Territory

Construction Contracts (Security of Payments) Act 2004 (NT)

Section 4:

A 'working day' means a day other than a Saturday or a Sunday, a public holiday, or a day in the period beginning on 25 December in a year and ending on 7 January in the following year.

Public holidays / shutdown:

25 December 2025 - 7 January 2026

26 January 2026 (Australia Day)

Weekends

3 - 4 January 2026

10 - 11 January 2026

17 - 18 January 2026

24 - 25 January 2026

Calendar of Non-business Days

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Key:

Date applicable for all States / Territories

Date applicable for only some States / Territories

			DECEMBER 2025	5		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2	3	4	5	6 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT	7 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT
8	9	10	11	12	13 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT	14 QLD, NSW, VIC SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT
15	16	17	18	19	20 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT	21 QLD, NSW, VIC SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT
22 QLD, WA	23 QLD, WA	24 QLD, WA	25 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT	26 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT	27 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT	28 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT
29 QLD, NSW, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT	30 QLD, NSW, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT	31 QLD, NSW, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT				
			JANUARY 2026			
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT	2 QLD, NT, WA	3 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT	4 QLD, NSW, VIC. SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT
5 QLD, NT, WA	6 QLD, NT, WA	7 QLD, NT, WA	8 QLD, WA	9 QLD, WA	10 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT	11 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT
12	13	14	15	16	17 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT	18 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT
19	20	21	22	23	24 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT	25 QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, NT, WA, TAS, ACT
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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