



Practice Note #2

NSX Trading Days 2005-2006

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Introduction

This practice note sets out the trading and business days for the NSX in October 2005 and until December 2006.

Structure of Practice Note

- ❖ Definitions
- ❖ Trading and Business days table

Business Day is expressed in the listing rule definitions as:

"Any day other than, Saturday, Sunday, New Years Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Christmas Day, Boxing Day and any other day which the exchange shall declare and publish is not a business day."

Trading Day means a day other than:

(a) "a Saturday, Sunday, New Years Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Christmas Day, Boxing Day and any other day which the exchange shall declare and publish is not a trading day."

(b) Notwithstanding (a), a day which for the purposes of settlement, the exchange declares is a trading day notwithstanding there is no Official Meeting on that day or that dealings between Participating Organisations are suspended on that day.

Settlement Day means a day the trade transaction is completed being 3 business days after the trading day.

Company Announcements can be made at any time using the standard method for electronic reporting. Announcements will be reviewed and released to the market on the next business day if submitted on a non-business day.

Additional Non-Business & Non-Trading Days. The exchange reserves the right to declare business and trading days outside of those listed at its discretion.

Non-Business Days and Non-Trading Days

Public Holiday	Date	Applicable in which state	Business Day (Settlement/ No Settlement - CHES)	Trading Day (Open/ NETS Closed - NETS)
2005				
Labour Day	Monday 3 rd October	NSW/ACT/SA	No Settlement	CLOSED
Melbourne Cup Day	Tuesday 1 st November	Victoria #	No Settlement	OPEN
Last business day before Christmas Eve	Friday 23 rd December	ALL – NSX Closes at 4.00pm.	Settlement	OPEN
Christmas Eve	Saturday 24 th December	ALL	No Settlement	CLOSE
Christmas Day	Sunday 25 th December	ALL	No Settlement	CLOSED
Christmas Day Holiday	Monday 26 th December	ALL	No Settlement	CLOSED
Boxing Day	Tuesday 27 th December	ALL	No Settlement	CLOSED
2006				
New Years Day	Sunday, 1 st January Monday 2 nd January	ALL	No Settlement	CLOSED
Australia Day	Thursday 26 th January	ALL	No Settlement	CLOSED
Labour Day/Eight Hours Day/Adelaide Cup	Monday 13 th March	VIC/TAS/SA	Not Settlement	OPEN
Easter Thursday	Thursday 13 th April	ALL – NSX Closes at 4.00pm.	Settlement	OPEN
Good Friday	Friday 14 th April	ALL	No Settlement	CLOSED
Easter Monday	Monday 17 th April	ALL	No Settlement	CLOSED
ANZAC Day	Tuesday 25 th April	ALL	No Settlement	CLOSED
Queen's Birthday	Monday 12 th June	ALL states except WA	No Settlement	CLOSED
Bank Holiday	Monday 7 th August	NSW #	No Settlement	OPEN
Labour Day	Monday 2 nd October	NSW/ACT/SA	No Settlement	OPEN
Melbourne Cup Day	Tuesday 7 th November	Victoria #	No Settlement	OPEN
Last business day before Christmas Eve	Friday 22 nd December	ALL – NSX Closes at 4.00pm.	Settlement	OPEN
Christmas Eve	Sunday 24 th December	ALL	No settlement	CLOSED
Christmas Day	Monday 25 th December	ALL	No Settlement	CLOSED
Boxing Day	Tuesday 26 th December	ALL	No Settlement	CLOSED
Last business day of the year	Friday 29 th December	ALL - -- NSX Closes at 4.00pm.	Settlement	OPEN
New Years Eve	Sunday 31 st December	ALL	No Settlement	CLOSED
New Years Day	Monday 1 st January 2007	ALL	No settlement	CLOSED