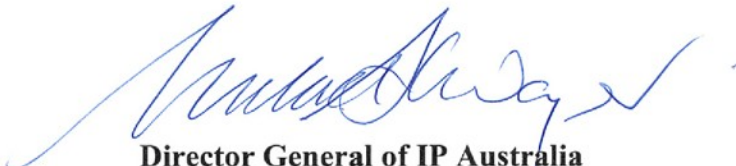


Director General of IP Australia

Declaration of the days when the Designs Office, the Patents Office, the Plant Breeder's Rights Office and the Trade Marks Office in the Australian Capital Territory are taken to be closed for business

The Director General of IP Australia ('Director General') is the person prescribed for the purposes of paragraph 2(b) of sections 136A of the *Designs Act 2003*, 14A of the *Olympic Insignia Protection Act 1987*, 222A of the *Patents Act 1990*, 76A of the *Plant Breeder's Rights Act 1994* and 223A of the *Trade Marks Act 1995*, to declare in writing a day or days on which the Designs Office, the Patents Office, the Plant Breeder's Rights (PBR) Office and the Trade Marks Office ('the Offices') are taken not to be open for business for the purposes of those sections. Paragraph (4)(a) of each of those sections provides that such a declaration may be made before, on or after the day on which the Offices are taken to be closed for business. The declaration for this purpose is as follows:

I, Michael Schwager, as the person currently employed as the Director General of IP Australia, declare that the days in the period 1 January 2026 to 1 January 2027 (inclusive) specified in the attached Schedule, are the days when the Offices are taken not to be open for business for the purpose of the sections specified in the paragraph above.



Director General of IP Australia
3 December 2025

Declaration of the days in the period 1 January 2026 to 1 January 2027 when the Designs Office, the Patents Office, the Plant Breeder's Rights Office and the Trade Marks Office are taken not to be open for business

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REFERENCES

Section 136A of the *Designs Act 2003*,
 Section 14A of the *Olympic Insignia Protection Act 1987*,
 Section 222A of the *Patents Act 1990*,
 Section 76A of the *Plant Breeder's Rights Act 1994* and
 Section 223A of the *Trade Marks Act 1995*

1. Days when the Designs Office, the Patent Office, the PBR Office and the Trade Marks Office—all located in the Australian Capital Territory—are taken not to be open for business:

All Saturdays and Sundays in the period 1 January 2026 to 1 January 2027, and

Thursday, 1 January 2026	New Year's Day
Monday, 26 January 2026	Australia Day
Monday, 9 March 2026	Canberra Day
Friday, 3 April 2026	Good Friday
Monday, 6 April 2026	Easter Monday
Monday, 27 April 2026	ANZAC Day (observed)
Monday, 1 June 2026	Reconciliation Day
Monday, 8 June 2026	King's Birthday
Monday, 5 October 2026	Labour Day
Friday, 25 December 2026 to	Christmas Close Down
Friday, 1 January 2027 (inclusive)	

2. All days referred to in this declaration shall be deemed to mean the day in the legal time of the Australian Capital Territory.
3. Closure of the Offices will not be taken to mean that applications and other documents cannot be lawfully received by the Offices, such as through electronic means.