

Public Holidays and Trading over the Easter Period and on Anzac Day 2021 Timber and Hardware

VICTORIA

	Public Holiday	Trading^	Any exemptions?
Good Friday 2 April 2021	Yes	No	Trading permitted for some stores*
Easter Saturday 3 April 2021	Yes	Yes	
Easter Sunday 4 April 2021	Yes	Yes	
Easter Monday 5 April 2021	Yes	Yes	
Anzac Day Sunday 25 April 2021	Yes	After 1pm only	All day trading permitted for some stores and some factories/warehouses*

*Vic Restricted Trading Exemptions:

- *Good Friday and 12.01am to 1pm on Anzac Day are restricted trading days*
- *A store will be permitted to trade on a restricted trading day if the store has 20 or fewer employees who are employed in the store at any time on that day AND any related stores have no more than 100 employees at any time during the 7 days immediately before the restricted trading day*
- *Factories and warehouses which engage in a continuous process of manufacture subject to the prescribed criteria in the ANZAC Day Act are permitted to open on Anzac Day. Factories and warehouse that do not meet the prescribed criteria in the ANZAC Day Act must close on Anzac Day.*
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^Trading Hours due to COVID-19 Pandemic

No changes have been made to the Easter and ANZAC Day Trading hours in Victoria due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

	Public Holiday	Trading	Any exemptions?
Good Friday 2 April 2021	Yes	No	Yes*
Easter Saturday 3 April 2021	Yes	Hardware and building materials retail stores may trade between 9.00am and 5.00pm only	Yes*
Easter Sunday 4 April 2021	No	Yes	
Easter Monday 5 April 2021	Yes	Hardware and building materials retail stores may trade between 9.00am and 5.00pm only	Yes*
Anzac Day Sunday 25 April 2021	Yes	Hardware and building materials retail stores may trade between 9.00am and 5.00pm only	Yes* however, even exempt stores are requested by the Minister to stay closed until midday.
Anzac Day Monday 26 April 2021 (additional public holiday)	Yes	Hardware and building materials retail stores may trade between 9.00am and 5.00pm only	Yes*

*** SA Restricted Trading Exemptions:**

If your shop is not located in the Greater Adelaide Shopping District ([Central Business District Tourist Precinct](#), the [Glenelg Tourist Precinct](#), and the [Metropolitan Shopping District](#)) or a Proclaimed Shopping District (Millicent, Binnun, and Grace (Mallala)), then it is an exempt shop. This means you can trade whenever you want, including on all public holidays.

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- *has 200 m² or less of retail floor area; and*
- *has an adjacent or adjoining storage area not exceeding one-half the retail floor area of the shop then it is an exempt shop. This means you can trade whenever you want, including on all public holidays.*

If your hardware and building materials retail store meets the prescribed criteria in the Shop Trading Hours Act 1977, your store may trade between 9:00am and 5:00pm on public holidays (but trading is prohibited on Good Friday and before 12 noon on Anzac Day 25 April 2021).

NEW SOUTH WALES

	Public Holiday	Trading[^]	Any exemptions?
Good Friday 2 April 2021	Yes	No	Yes*
Easter Saturday 3 April 2021	Yes	Yes	
Easter Sunday 4 April 2021	Yes	No	Yes*
Easter Monday 5 April 2021	Yes	Yes	
Anzac Day Sunday 25 April 2021	Yes	After 1pm only	Yes* however, even exempt stores are requested by the Minister to stay closed until midday.

*** NSW Restricted Trading Exemptions**

Restricted trading days are Good Friday, Easter Sunday and prior to 1pm on Anzac Day (25 April).

Stores may trade on these days if:

1. They are a “small shop”

A small shop may trade, providing the number of store owners is 2 or less; or is a company and the owner takes the profit from the business and the number of employees working in the store is no more than 4 at the same time or at different times. MGA was advised by NSW Industrial Relations that “if an individual shop engages no more than 4 employees on any day (not just the restricted trading day), that shop is exempt from the requirements to remain closed. Should a business have a chain of shops then the total number of employees is taken to be those working in all locations, not individual shop locations.”

A larger store may apply for an exemption to trade on a restricted trading day but this must be lodged no later than 28 days prior to date of restriction. Exemptions are only granted in exceptional circumstances.

2. They are located in a certain local government area

Retailers operating in locations which were exempted from public holiday restrictions under the former section 89B of the Shops and Industries Act 1962 may also exempt. A list of these locations is available, based on [local government areas \(pdf - 27Kb\)](#).

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

	Public Holiday	Trading [^]	Any exemptions?
Good Friday 2 April 2021	Yes	No	Yes*
Easter Saturday 3 April 2021	No	Yes	
Easter Sunday 4 April 2021	No	Yes	
Easter Monday 5 April 2021	Yes	General retail shops in the Perth metropolitan area that meet the criteria in the <i>Retail Trading Hours Act 1987</i> may trade between 8.00am and 6.00pm Trading not permissible in non-Perth metropolitan areas	Yes*
Anzac Day Sunday 25 April 2021	Yes	No	Yes*
Anzac Day Monday 26 April 2021 (additional public holiday)	Yes	General retail shops in the Perth metropolitan area that meet the criteria in the <i>Retail Trading Hours Act 1987</i> may trade between 8.00am and 6.00pm Trading not permissible in non-Perth metropolitan areas	Yes*

*** WA Restricted Trading Exemptions**

Domestic development retail shops that meet the criteria in the Retail Trading Hours Regulations 1988 may trade on restricted trading days if they hold a certificate to trade as a special shop. This include retail shops that offer items for domestic improvements, construction and maintenance and home additions.

[^]Trading Hours due to COVID-19 Pandemic

Changes have been made to the Easter and ANZAC Day Trading hours in WA due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. The changes include an extension to permitted opening times meaning general retail shops in metropolitan Perth will be able to trade between 8.00am and 6.00pm on Monday 5 April 2021 (Easter Monday) and Monday, 26 April 2021 (ANZAC Day public holiday).

QUEENSLAND

South East Qld

	Public holiday	Trading[^]	Any exemptions?
Good Friday 2 April 2021	Yes	No	No
Easter Saturday 3 April 2021	Yes	Non-exempt hardware shops may trade between 6am to 6pm	Yes*
Easter Sunday 4 April 2021	Yes	Non-exempt hardware shops may trade between 6am to 6pm	Yes*
Easter Monday 5 April 2021	Yes	Non-exempt hardware shops may trade between 6am to 6pm	Yes*
Anzac Day Sunday 25 April 2021	No	No	Yes*
Anzac Day Monday 26 April 2021 (substituted public holiday)	Yes	Non-exempt hardware shops may trade between 6am to 6pm	Yes*

Defined Tourist Area

	Public holiday	Trading[^]	Any exemptions?
Good Friday 2 April 2021	Yes	No	No
Easter Saturday 3 April 2021	Yes	Non-exempt hardware shops may trade between 6am to 9pm	Yes*
Easter Sunday 4 April 2021	Yes	Non-exempt hardware shops may trade between 6am to 9pm	Yes*
Easter Monday 5 April 2021	Yes	Non-exempt hardware shops may trade between 6am to 9pm	Yes*
Anzac Day Sunday 25 April 2021	No	No	Yes*
Anzac Day Monday 26 April 2021 (substituted public holiday)	Yes	Non-exempt hardware shops may trade between 6am to 9pm	Yes*

All other areas

	Public holiday	Trading [^]	Any exemptions?
Good Friday 2 April 2021	Yes	No	No
Easter Saturday 3 April 2021	Yes	Non-exempt hardware shops may trade between 6am to 6pm	Yes*
Easter Sunday 4 April 2021	Yes	Non-exempt hardware shops may trade between 6am to 6pm	Yes*
Easter Monday 5 April 2021	Yes	Non-exempt hardware shops may trade between 6am to 6pm	Yes*
Anzac Day Sunday 25 April 2021	No	No	Yes*
Anzac Day Monday 26 April 2021 (substituted public holiday)	Yes	Non-exempt hardware shops may trade between 6am to 6pm	Yes*

***Qld Restricted Trading Exemptions**

1. If you are an independent retail shop

Apart from 25 April 2021 (Anzac Day), hardware stores can trade at any time if they are classified as an independent retail shop under the Trading (Allowable Hours) Act 1990.

On 25 April 2021 (Anzac Day), hardware stores can trade only after 1.00pm if they are classified as an independent retail shop under the Trading (Allowable Hours) Act 1990.

An independent retail shop is one that engages a maximum of 30 people at any one time and if a number of stores are operated, a total of not more than 100 people are engaged by the owner at any one time in all shops.

2. Anzac Day 25 April 2021 only – factory engaging in a necessarily continuous process of manufacturing

Factories and shops which engage in a necessarily continuous process of manufacturing subject to the prescribed criteria in the Trading (Allowable Hours) Act 1990 are permitted to open on Anzac Day. Factories and warehouse that do not meet the prescribed criteria in the Trading (Allowable Hours) Act 1990 must close on Anzac Day.

[^]Trading Hours due to COVID-19 Pandemic

No changes have been made to the Easter and ANZAC Day Trading hours in QLD due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

NORTHERN TERRITORY

	Public Holiday	Trading[^]	Any exemptions?
Good Friday 2 April 2021	Yes	Yes	n/a
Easter Saturday 3 April 2021	Yes	Yes	n/a
Easter Sunday 4 April 2021	No	Yes	n/a
Easter Monday 5 April 2021	Yes	Yes	n/a
Anzac Day Sunday 25 April 2021	No	Yes	n/a
Anzac Day Monday 26 April 2021 (substituted public holiday)	Yes	Yes	n/a

No trading restrictions on public holidays. Stores generally remained closed until 1pm on Anzac Day.

A licensed supermarket or packaged liquor store must have a license that permits trading on a public holiday.

[^]Trading Hours due to COVID-19 Pandemic

No changes have been made to the Easter and ANZAC Day Trading hours in the NT due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

	Public Holiday	Trading[^]	Any exemptions?
Good Friday 2 April 2021	Yes	Yes	n/a
Easter Saturday 3 April 2021	Yes	Yes	n/a
Easter Sunday 4 April 2021	Yes	Yes	n/a
Easter Monday 5 April 2021	Yes	Yes	n/a
Anzac Day Sunday 25 April 2021	Yes	Yes	n/a

Anzac Day Monday 26 April 2021 (substituted public holiday)	Yes	Yes	n/a
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No trading restrictions on public holidays. Stores generally remained closed until 1pm on Anzac Day.

^Trading Hours due to COVID-19 Pandemic

No changes have been made to the Easter and ANZAC Day Trading hours in the ACT due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

TASMANIA

	Public Holiday	Trading^	Any exemptions?
Good Friday 2 April 2021	Yes	No	Yes*
Easter Saturday 3 April 2021	No	Yes	n/a
Easter Sunday 4 April 2021	No	Yes	n/a
Easter Monday 5 April 2021	Yes	Yes	n/a
Anzac Day Sunday 25 April 2021	Yes	After 12.30pm only	Yes*

* Tasmania Restricted Trading Exemptions

Good Friday

If a retail store employs less than 250 employees at any time during the period beginning at 8am on the Monday of any week and ending at 6pm on Friday of the same week, being a week that immediately precedes Good Friday, the retail store may open.

Anzac Day

All businesses (regardless of size) must be closed until 12:30pm on ANZAC Day, unless they are a service station, pharmacy or newsagent. Also, if the business is not part of a shopping centre, plaza or mall, and employs less than 10 employees on any day during the previous March they may also open at any time on ANZAC Day.

^Trading Hours due to COVID-19 Pandemic

No changes have been made to the Easter and ANZAC Day Trading hours in Tasmania due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Note: All public holiday dates are accurate at the time of publishing but may be subject to change.