

Tribunal Operations for the Summer Holiday Period 2017-18

The Tribunal Registry

The registry will close at 4:30pm on **Friday, 22 December 2017** and re-open at 9:00am on **Tuesday, 2 January 2018**.

Lodging / Filing Applications

Applications that must be filed on 28 and 29 December 2017 may be filed by email, with delivery and read receipt enabled, to tribunal@act.gov.au

Any filing fee for applications lodged in this way must be paid to the registry by 4:00pm on **Thursday, 4 January 2018**. You should keep a copy of the email, and delivery and read receipt for your own records and to present when paying the filing fee. Credit Card payments by post are possible – please see http://www.acat.act.gov.au/fees/credit_card_payments_by_post

Registrar's List – Motions and Directions

The last list for the year will be held on **Tuesday, 19 December 2017**. The list will resume on **Wednesday, 3 January 2018** (on Tuesdays as usual from **9 January 2018**). Any urgent applications will be dealt with as needed on days on which the registry is open.

Appeals, Administrative Review, Discrimination and Occupational Regulation

There are no special lists for these matters. Hearings will be listed as required.

Any applications which need to be filed (due to the expiry of a time limit) on a business day between Christmas and New Year will be deemed validly filed if the completed application form is emailed to tribunal@act.gov.au or AdminReview@act.gov.au

Energy and Water

The final hardship application meetings will be held on **Friday, 15 December 2017**. They will resume on **Wednesday 10 January 2018**. Complaint applications will be dealt with as usual.

Guardianship and Management of Property, Powers of Attorney

The last list will be held on **Tuesday, 19 December 2017**. Normal hearings will resume on **Tuesday 9 January 2018**. Emergency applications will be dealt with as usual.

Mental Health

The final hearing list at the Tribunal's premises for this year will be held on **Thursday, 21 December 2017**. Hearing lists will resume on **Thursday, 4 January 2018**. Hearings will continue at the AMHU as usual during the holiday period on **21, 26 & 29 December 2017 and 2 January 2018**. The usual Monday/Thursday sitting pattern will commence from **Monday, 9 January 2018**.

After hours arrangements will be in place for urgent applications under the *Mental Health Act 2015* and the *Guardianship and Management of Property Act 1991* on weekends and public holidays. The Public Advocate, Public Trustee and Guardian, Legal Aid ACT, Adult Mental Health Unit, Older Persons Mental Health Unit and Emergency Departments at Canberra and Calvary hospitals will have contact details.

Residential Tenancy, Civil Disputes and Unit Titles

The last standard Civil Dispute / Residential Tenancy hearing list for the year will be held on **Friday, 15 December 2017**. Urgent matters will be dealt with as needed the following week. The Hearing list will resume on **Thursday, 4 January 2018**.

Conferences will be listed up to and including **Tuesday, 19 December 2017** and resume on **Wednesday, 3 January 2018**. Urgent applications will be dealt with as needed on days on which the registry is open.

The final termination & possession hearing list will be on **Thursday 14 December 2017**. The first termination & possession hearing list for the year will be an afternoon list on **Thursday 11 January 2018** for private lessors. The usual termination & possession hearing list will resume on **Thursday 18 January 2018**.

Applications for default judgment which are lodged over the Christmas and New Year period will be entered from **Friday 5 January 2018**, to allow for delays in the delivery and processing of mail over this period.



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