

DPIRD Closure period

The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) will implement a general closure over the 2025 - 2026 Christmas/New Year period.

The general closure will be from:

COB Wednesday 24th December 2025 until Monday 5th January 2026.

This closure period includes four working days and three public holidays.

The DPIRD South Perth site is still under restricted access. The Main Reception area at 3 Baron-Hay Court will be monitored by Security Officers and these officers can be contacted by using the intercom or by calling **9368 3400** for courier or sample drop off.

DPIRD Diagnostics and Laboratory Services - Christmas Closure 2025

- The last day that the laboratory is fully operational is Friday 19th December 2025.
- **Submissions to Serology** for *B.ovis* CFT and Liver Fluke ELISA should be received by COB Tuesday the 16th December for results prior to Christmas.
- **Submissions for Biochemistry and Toxicology** need to be received by COB Tuesday 16th December to ensure samples can be transferred to other labs.
- Please contact the testing laboratories for details on specific testing.
- Due to restricted access and activities, please continue to arrange required diagnostic testing with the Duty Pathologist prior to submission to enable sample processing and management by emailing DDLS@dpiird.wa.gov.au
- There will be a Veterinary Pathologist and Plant Pathologist on duty/ call but there will be no general testing performed during this period. If you have an urgent diagnostic case that requires testing, please contact the DDLS Duty Pathologist on 9368 3351 to discuss the submission.
- DDLS will have limited staff on duty that can accept deliveries and answer phone enquiries from **8:30am to 4:00pm** during the period of **Monday 29th to Wednesday 31st December 2025** and **2nd January 2026**. Samples from submissions will be appropriately stored to await testing once services resume on Monday 5th January 2026.
- The standard practice of DPIRD Security Staff placing sample deliveries in refrigerators if received after hours will still be operating.

The staff of DDLS would like to thank you for your support over the past year and wish you a happy and safe Christmas.