



## Office of the Secretary

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Dear Mr Lonie

### **24 Hour Trading For Two Weeks Leading Up To Christmas Day**

The NSW Government introduced extended Christmas shopping hours in 2014 under the State Policy for Exempt and Complying Development (the Policy) to help give NSW retailers a boost during the vital shopping season.

All shops within a business zone will be allowed to open 24-hours-a-day from 12:00am Friday, 11 December until 11:59pm Thursday, 24 December, without planning approval for the additional trading hours.

Retailers and local shops may offer flexibility for their customers by extending their trading hours for the two weeks leading up to Christmas Day. The Department is writing to you so that you can encourage your members to take advantage of this opportunity.

Shops must still comply with their other existing conditions of consent including delivery times and vehicle access and the requirements of clauses 2.129 and 2.130 of the Policy, which can be viewed at [www.legislation.nsw.gov.au](http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au)

The extended Christmas shopping hours however, do not apply to licensed food and drinks premises and shops within mixed-use buildings, where they are located on the same floor as a residential use or the floors immediately above or below a residential use.

The Department's online hub provides additional information about extended Christmas trading hours which can be viewed at [www.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au)

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Yours sincerely

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