



Court holiday dates 2019 – 2020

Christmas and New Year

Urgent Family Court applications

Family Courts will provide a national service for urgent applications over the Christmas and New Year holiday period. Urgent applications will all be dealt with via the national e-duty platform. Court staff and duty judges have been allocated to deal with applications on the following days:

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
23 Dec 2019	24 Dec 2019	25 Dec 2019	26 Dec 2019	27 Dec 2019
	Cut-off 12:00pm Close 3:00pm			Cut-off 2:00pm
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
30 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2019	1 Jan 2020	2 Jan 2020	3 Jan 2020
Cut off 2:00pm	Cut-off 2:00pm			- Larger Courts reopen 9:00am
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
6 Jan 2020	7 Jan 2020	8 Jan 2020	9 Jan 2020	10 Jan 2020
Cut-off 2:00pm	Cut-off 2:00pm	Cut-off 2:00pm	Cut-off 2:00pm	Cut-off 2:00pm

All urgent Family Court applications are required to be submitted to the registry by **2.00pm (exception midday on 24 December)** on the days above in order for them to be processed. Any applications received after that time will be considered the following day.

Emergency Contacts

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National e-duty service available
Closed for observed statutory holiday



Supreme Court

- Close: 5pm, Monday 23 December 2019
- Open: 9am, Monday 6 January 2020

Emergency Contact: Kieron McCarron 021 688 740.

Court of Appeal

- Close: 5pm, Monday 23 December 2019
- Open: 9am, Monday 6 January 2020

Emergency Contact: Maryanne McKennie 027 277 7682.

High Court

Auckland, Blenheim, Christchurch, Dunedin, Gisborne, Greymouth, Hamilton, Invercargill, Masterton, Napier, Nelson, New Plymouth, Palmerston North, Rotorua, Tauranga, Timaru, Wellington, Whanganui, Whangarei

As per rule 3.2 of the High Court Rules 2016, the High Court holiday period is as follows:

- Close: 5pm, Monday 23 December 2019
- Open: 9am, Monday 6 January 2020

District Court

Auckland, Blenheim, Christchurch, Dunedin, Gisborne, Greymouth, Hamilton, Hastings, Hutt Valley, Invercargill, Levin, Manukau, Masterton, Napier, Nelson, New Plymouth, North Shore, Palmerston North, Porirua, Rotorua, Tauranga, Timaru, Waitakere, Wellington, Whakatane, Whanganui, Whangarei

- Close: 3pm, Tuesday 24 December 2019
- Open: 9am, Friday 3 January 2020

Hawera, Huntly, Kaikohe, Kaitia, Morrinsville, Papakura, Pukekohe, Queenstown, Taupo, Thames, Tokoroa

- Close: 3pm, Tuesday 24 December 2019
- Open: 9am, Monday 6 January 2020

Alexandra, Ashburton, Dannevirke, Gore, Taihape, Taumarunui, Wairoa, Westport

- Close: 3pm, Tuesday 24 December 2019
- Open: 9am, Monday 13 January 2020

The following courts are Hearing Courts. They will not be open over the Christmas and New Year's period, and will resume hearings as rostered in the New Year: Chatham Islands, Dargaville, Kaikoura, Marton, Oamaru, Opotiki, Ruatoria, Te Awamutu, Te Kuiti, Waihi, Waipukurau

