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## STEP2 Live SCT/SDD CORE/SDD B2B 2026

## Inclusion/Update/Removal Dates

STEP2 LIVE		
Latest Submission Date 12	RTFs Publication	Effective Date <sup>3</sup>
Wednesday 03 December 2025	Monday 29 December 2025	Tuesday 06 January 2026
Wednesday 14 January 2026	Monday 02 February 2026	Tuesday 10 February 2026
Wednesday 11 February 2026	Monday 02 March 2026	Tuesday 10 March 2026
Wednesday 11 March 2026	Monday 30 March 2026	Tuesday 07 April 2026
Wednesday 08 April 2026	Monday 27 April 2026	Tuesday 05 May 2026
Wednesday 13 May 2026	Monday 01 June 2026	Tuesday 09 June 2026
Wednesday 10 June 2026	Monday 29 June 2026	Tuesday 07 July 2026
Wednesday 08 July 2026	Monday 27 July 2026	Tuesday 04 August 2026
Wednesday 12 August 2026	Monday 31 August 2026	Tuesday 08 September 2026
Wednesday 09 September 2026	Monday 28 September 2026	Tuesday 06 October 2026
Wednesday 14 October 2026	Monday 02 November 2026	Tuesday 10 November 2026
Wednesday 11 November 2026	Monday 30 November 2026	Tuesday 08 December 2026

TARGET Closing Days 2026		
New year	Thursday 01 January 2026	
Good Friday	Friday 03 April 2026	
Easter Monday	Monday 06 April 2026	
Labour day	Friday 01 May 2026	
X-Mas	Friday 25 December 2026	
X-mas holiday	Saturday 26 December 2026	

## Freeze period for S2 Participants

Each Direct Participant shall give written notice to EBA CLEARING as far in advance as possible, in principle at least 30 days in advance, with regards to any provisioning of Participant or Reachable BICs changes or technical changes materially affecting the way they participate in the System, being specified that the aforementioned provisioning or technical changes will not be implemented

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The DMRF > Legal disclaimer duly signed should be provided to EBA CLEARING by the next Tuesday following the deadline at the latest.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For DPWS Provisioning, this should be considered the end of the relevant STEP2 service Business Date, not the Calendar Date

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> in case of Removal, this is the date after the Last Settlement Date; it is the date as of the BIC will be disabled.



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during a freeze period applying to the last two weeks of December and the first week of January of each year.

To the extent, a written notice must be sent to EBA CLEARING at least 60 days in advance and, notwithstanding the foregoing and on a strictly exceptional basis, provisioning of Participant changes or technical changes which are necessary:

- i. for legal and regulatory compliance reasons,
- ii. to address security matters, and
- iii. to address exclusion, suspension, withdrawal of Participants matters, or provisioning of Participant changes or technical changes which are necessary or, at the sole discretion of EBA CLEARING, deemed necessary, may be approved by EBA CLEARING for implementation during the freeze period.