

To: All members

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Classification: Calendar and Market Holiday

Date: 21 September 2026

Subject: **LME NON-BUSINESS DAYS FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2026 AND FOR 2027**

Summary

1. This Notice reminds Members of the non-Business Days of The London Metal Exchange (the "LME") for the remainder of 2026 and advises Members of the non-Business Days for 2027, when the LME will be closed. This Notice includes the operating times for 24 December 2026 and 31 December 2026.

Defined Terms

2. Terms not otherwise defined in this Notice shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Rules and Regulations of the LME (the "LME Rulebook").

Information

Base Metals Futures Closing Prices

3. On Thursday 24 December 2026 and Thursday 31 December 2026, Electronic Closing Pricing for Base Metal Futures will be determined early between 13:30 – 14:40. On these dates, the Official Prices will take place on the Ring at the usual time and the Ring will close early at 14:40. Closing prices will be established from 13:30 on LMEselect after the Official Prices have been published (see Appendix 1 for the amended Closing price periods). From 13:35, metals will close out in the same sequence as the current Electronic Closing Prices schedule (see Appendix 1) with the objection period open between 14:55 – 15:10. Full details of the current trading schedule are available on the LME website.

Traded Options

4. On Thursday 24 December 2026 and Thursday 31 December 2026, the volatility submission window for determining Closing Prices for Traded Options will close at 12:45. The Closing Volatilities will be published at 13:00, with the objection window open until 13:30.

Ferrous Cash-Settled Futures - Steel Scrap, Steel Rebar, Steel HRC FOB China, Steel HRC CFR Taiwan, Steel HRC CFR India, Steel HRC N. Europe, Steel HRC N. America and Steel HRC Shanghai



5. For Ferrous Cash-Settled Futures, the Ferrous Daily Settlement Price on Thursday 24 December 2026, and the Ferrous Final Settlement Price¹ Thursday 31 December 2026 will be published at the usual time.

Other Cash-Settled Futures

6. For Non-Ferrous Cash-Settled Futures, the Cash-Settled Future Daily Settlement Price on Thursday 24 December 2026 and Cash-Settled Future Final Settlement Price on Thursday 31 December 2026 will be published at the usual time.

LMeselect hours of operation

7. On Thursday 24 December 2026 and Thursday 31 December 2026, LMeselect will operate as normal until 19:00 for trading.

LMESmart hours of operation

8. On Thursday 24 December 2026 and Thursday 31 December 2026, LMESmart will be available until 20:00 for all Member trade input relating to Base Contracts. There will be no changes to the clearing process on these dates.

Prompt Dates

9. The table below lists the UK banking holidays for the remainder of 2026 and for the whole of 2027, during which the LME will be closed. Consequently, these days are not “Business Days”, as defined in the LME Rulebook, nor are they valid Prompt Dates. This table therefore also confirms the substitute 3-month Prompt Dates which replace those falling on non-Prompt Days. For example, on Friday 25 September 2026, the 3-month Prompt Date shall fall on Thursday 24 December 2026, and not Friday 25 December 2026.

<u>UK Holiday</u>	<u>UK Holiday Date</u>		<u>Substituted Three Month Prompt Date</u>	
Christmas Day	Fri	25 Dec 26	Thurs	24 Dec 26
Boxing Day	Mon	28 Dec 26	Tues	29 Dec 26
New Year's Day	Fri	1 Jan 27	Mon	4 Jan 27
Good Friday	Fri	26 Mar 27	N/A	N/A
Easter Monday	Mon	29 Mar 27	Tues	30 Mar 27
Early May Bank Holiday	Mon	3 May 27	Tues	4 May 27
Spring Bank Holiday	Mon	31 May 27	N/A	N/A
Summer Bank Holiday	Mon	30 Aug 27	N/A	N/A
Christmas Day	Mon	27 Dec 27	Wed	29 Dec 27
Boxing Day	Tues	28 Dec 27	Wed	29 Dec 27
New Year's Day	Mon	3 Jan 28	N/A	N/A

¹ The Final Settlement Price is not published at month end for the Steel HRC Shanghai contract and therefore does not apply here



10. For a full calendar of current valid Prompt Dates and banking holidays between (and including) 2026 and 2037, please refer to LME Notice 26/131.
11. Any queries in relation to this Notice should be directed to tradingoperations@lme.com.

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Traded Options Committee
Ring Dealers Committee
User Committee



Appendix 1 – LMEselect Closing Price windows for Additional VWAP Methodology contracts

Metal	Anchor Pricing Window	Spread Pricing Window
Tin	13:45:00:000 – 13:49:59:999	13:40:00:000 – 13:44:59:999
Nickel	13:55:00:000 – 13:59:59:999	13:50:00:000 – 13:54:59:999
Aluminium	14:05:00:000 – 14:09:59:999	14:00:00:000 – 14:04:59:999
Zinc	14:15:00:000 – 14:19:59:999	14:10:00:000 – 14:14:59:999
Copper	14:25:00:000 – 14:29:59:999	14:20:00:000 – 14:24:59:999
Lead	14:35:00:000 – 14:39:59:999	14:30:00:000 – 14:34:59:999

Other non Additional VWAP Methodology Contracts

Metal(s)	Anchor Pricing Window	Spread Pricing Window
Cobalt	13:30:00:000 – 13:34:59:999	13:30:00:000 – 13:34:59:999
Aluminium Premiums, Aluminium Alloy and NASAAC	13:35:00:000 – 13:39:59:999	13:35:00:000 – 13:39:59:999