

2025 Reserve Capacity Cycle timetable



For Reserve Capacity to be provided for the 2027-28 Capacity Year¹.

Date	Time	WEM Rule ²	Action
Wednesday 31 January 2025 ³	5:00pm	4.1.4 4.1.19	AEMO publishes the Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI). The REOI publication includes the Economic Regulation Authority's determination of the Peak Benchmark Reserve Capacity Price and Flexible
Tuesday 4 March 2025	5:00pm	4.1.5	Benchmark Reserve Capacity Price. Expression of Interest (EOI) submissions close.
Tuesday 1 April 2025	5:00pm	4.1.6	AEMO publishes a summary of responses to the REOI.
Monday 14 April 2025	9:00am	4.1.7	Opening date for Peak Certified Reserve Capacity (CRC) and Flexible CRC applications
	9:00am	4.8A.1	For proponents who submitted an EOI for a new Facility or Facility Upgrade, AEMO must a. Assign an indicative Facility Class and one or more indicative Facility Technology Types. b. Notify the proponent of the assigned indicative Facility Class and indicative Facility Technology Types.
Thursday 8 May 2025	5:00pm	4.4B.2	 AEMO provides information to Western Power regarding: a. EOIs. b. Facility retirements. c. Early CRC applications, and whether any Facility has nominated to be classified as a Network Augmentation Funding Facility. d. NCESS Contracts. e. Preliminary peak demand forecasts for the 2027-28 Capacity Year.
Monday 19 May 2025	5:00pm	4.8A.4(b)	Closing date for indicative Facility Class and indicative Facility Technology Type(s) assessment submissions from proponents for Facilities seeking CRC that did not submit an EOI.
Tuesday 10 June 2025	5:00pm	4.1.8	AEMO publishes the 2025 Wholesale Electricity Market (WEM) Electricity Statement of Opportunities (ESOO) that includes: • Mid Peak Electric Storage Resource Obligation Interval, ESR Duration Requirement, Electric Storage Resource Obligation Duration and (Peak and Flexible) Electric Storage Resource Obligation Intervals. • Peak Demand Side Programme Dispatch Requirement. • Peak Reserve Capacity Requirement and Flexible Reserve Capacity Requirement.
	5:00pm	4.1.10	AEMO publishes the Reserve Capacity Information Pack.
Thursday 12 June 2025	5:00pm	4.4B.5	Western Power must provide the following information to AEMO: a. Estimated proportion of peak demand at each Electrical Location on its Network. b. Preliminary estimate of Thermal Network Limits.

¹ A Capacity Year commences in the Trading Interval starting at 8:00 AM on 1 October and ends in the Trading Interval ending at 8:00 AM on 1 October of the following calendar year.

 $^{^2\} The\ Wholesale\ Electricity\ Market\ (WEM)\ Rules.\ See:\ \underline{https://www.wa.gov.au/government/document-collections/wholesale-electricity-market-rules}.$

³ AEMO has deferred this date from 15 January 2025 to 31 January 2025 in light of the timing uncertainty of the gazettal of the final Amending Rules. Consultation on the Exposure Draft of the WEM Investment Certainty and RCM Review Amending Rules closes on 9 December 2025.

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			 Electrical Location and identity of new loads or increase of existing loads equato or greater than 10 MW.
			d. RCM Limit Advice.
			e. An explanation of any changes from previous RCM Limit Advice.
Thursday 19 June 2025	5:00pm	4.4B.6	AEMO publishes the information provided by Western Power under WEM Rule 4.4B.5 .
Tuesday 24 June 2025	5:00pm	4.1.11	Closing date for Peak CRC and Flexible CRC applications.
			AEMO provides information to Western Power regarding:
			a. CRC applications.
			b. Facility retirements.
Tuesday 1 July 2025	5:00pm	4.4B.7	 Early CRC applications, and whether the Facility has nominated to be classified as a Network Augmentation Funding Facility.
			d. NCESS Contracts.
			e. Peak demand forecasts for the 2027-28 Capacity Year (from 2025 WEM ESOO).
			Western Power provides information to AEMO regarding:
			 Estimated proportion of peak demand at each Electrical Location on its Network.
			b. Estimate of Thermal Network Limits.
Tuesday	5:00pm	4.4B.9	 Electrical Location and identity of new loads or increase of existing loads equato or greater than 10 MW.
29 July 2025			d. RCM Limit Advice.
			e. An explanation of any changes from previous RCM Limit Advice.
			f. Transmission Nodes and respective Transmission Node Identifiers for all Transmission Nodes that are expected to be in service on 1 October of Year 3 of the Reserve Capacity Cycle.
Tuesday 12 August 2025	5:00pm	4.1.12	AEMO notifies each applicant of the Peak CRC and Flexible CRC to be assigned to each Facility.
	5:00pm	4.1.13	If required, Market Participants must provide Reserve Capacity Security (RCS) or Demand Side Programme (DSP) RCS for Peak CRC.
Monday	5:00pm	4.1.14	Market Participants holding Peak CRC and Flexible CRC must notify AEMO as to how their Peak CRC and Flexible CRC will be dealt with.
25 August 2025		4.14.1	Market Participants must specify the amount of Peak CRC and Flexible CRC which they will trade bilaterally, and the amount not to be made available to the market.
	5:00pm	4.14.1B	Market Participants may nominate that a Facility be classified as a Fixed Price Facility, of a Facility Technology Type within that Facility be classified as a Fixed Price Component.
Tuesday 26 August 2025	5:00pm	4.1.15	AEMO confirms the quantity of Peak CRC and Flexible CRC that can be traded bilaterall from each Facility.
Wednesday 27 August 2025	5:00pm	4.1.15A	AEMO publishes the level of Peak CRC and Flexible CRC assigned to each Facility.
	5:00pm	4.1.16A	AEMO:
			a. Assigns Peak Capacity Credits and Flexible Capacity Credits.
			b. Publish the required information pursuant to clause 4.20.5A(b) including:
			i. For each Facility:
Tuesday			 The assigned Capacity Credits (CC) assigned.
30 September 2025		7.1.1VA	 The Facility class.
			ii. The Peak CRC for the Reserve Capacity Cycle.
			iii. If it is a Transitional Reserve Capacity Cycle:
			 The Facility Monthly Reserve Capacity Prices as determined under clause 4.29.1B multiplied by 12.

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			 Each Facility Monthly Reserve Capacity Price as determined under clause 4.29.1D multiplied by 12.
			 Notifies each Market Participant of the Network Access Quantity (NAQ) determined for each of its Facilities.
			 Publishes the NAQ Model Inputs, the NAQ or Indicative NAQ determined for each Facility assessed in the NAQ Model and the Highest NAQ for each Facility.
Wednesday 1 October 2025	5:00pm	4.1.21	Market Participants may apply for a recalculation of the amount of RCS or DSP RCS required to be held for a Facility (applications may only be made after this date/time).
Thursday 30 October 2025	5:00pm	4.1.21A	Market Participants must notify AEMO of the number of Capacity Credits that are to be associated with each component of a Facility, where applicable, in accordance with clause 4.20.16 (applicable to Facilities who have been assigned less Capacity Credits than their CRC).
Thursday 6 November 2025	5:00pm	4.1.22	AEMO sets and publishes the number of Peak Capacity Credits and Flexible Capacity Credits associated with each component of a Facility.
	5:00pm	4.20.5AA	AEMO publishes the Reserve Capacity Prices and the aggregate quantity of MW of Capacity Credits assigned at each price:
			a. The Peak Reserve Capacity Price.
			 The Reserve Capacity Price for each Transitional Facility or Transitional Component.
			 The Reserve Capacity Price for each Fixed Price Facility or Fixed Price Component.