



Canada Post Christmas Send-By Dates 2026

Send-by dates for Christmas delivery, earliest to latest

DATE	WHAT HAPPENS	DONE
Thu., Dec. 3	Tracked Packet or Small Packet to Africa, Central/South America, Caribbean; cards to Africa	☐
Wed., Dec. 9	Santa letters; Small Packet/Tracked Packet to Asia, Australia, China, Europe, India, N.Z., Middle East; cards to Europe	☐
Thu., Dec. 10	Xpresspost International to Africa, Central/South America, Caribbean; domestic Regular Parcel, National Zone	☐
Fri., Dec. 11	Xpresspost Intl to Asia, India, N.Z., Middle East; Small/Tracked Packet to UK, Japan, U.S., FR/DE/NL/CH; cards to U.S.	☐
Mon., Dec. 14	Xpresspost Intl to Australia, China, Japan; Expedited Parcel USA; domestic Expedited, National Zone	☐
Tue., Dec. 15	Xpresspost International to Europe, UK, France, Germany, Netherlands, Switzerland	☐
Wed., Dec. 16	Domestic Regular Parcel, Regional Zone	☐
Thu., Dec. 17	Xpresspost USA	☐
Fri., Dec. 18	Domestic Expedited Parcel, Regional Zone; domestic cards, National Zone	☐
Mon., Dec. 21	Domestic Regular Parcel, Local Zone; domestic cards, Regional Zone	☐
Tue., Dec. 22	Expedited Parcel or flat rate box, Local Zone; Xpresspost, Regional and National; domestic cards, Local Zone	☐
Wed., Dec. 23	Priority, all three zones; Xpresspost, Local Zone	☐
Fri., Dec. 25	Christmas Day: no collection or delivery	☐
Mon., Dec. 28	Boxing Day observed: no collection or delivery	☐

My notes

Source: Canada Post, Plan your holiday sending, Santa letter program and holiday schedule, checked Oct. 26, 2026. Dates are between major urban centres and depend on origin and destination; some restrictions apply.