

# Short Term Operating Reserve (STOR)

Season 18 – 1 April 2024 to 1 April 2025

Date: 5 January 2024

This document sets out the STOR Seasons and Committed Windows for the period 1 April 2024 to 1 April 2025 applicable to the STOR Day Ahead (procured via daily auctions) and the existing Long Term STOR contracts (STOR seasons 18:1 to 18:6). These Seasons define the Committed Windows for each STOR Service Day where STOR is required to be provided in accordance with the [STOR Day Ahead Service Terms](#) and [Standard Contract Terms #12](#) (Long Term STOR only). If you have any questions relating to this document, please contact [Commercial.Operation@nationalgrideso.com](mailto:Commercial.Operation@nationalgrideso.com)

The need for STOR varies depending on the time of year, the time of week and time of day, being a function of the system demand profile at that time. To reflect this, the ESO splits the year into six (6) Seasons, for both Working Days (including Saturdays) and Non-Working Days (Sundays and Bank/Public Holidays) and specifies the periods in each operational day or **STOR Service Day** (05.00 to 05.00) that STOR is required. The periods each STOR service day when the ESO requires STOR are referred to as **Committed Windows**, with Optional Windows covering the remaining portions of the STOR service day.

## Non-Working Days

Non-Working Days (NWD) apply to all Sundays and all Bank Holidays and Public Holidays in England and Wales. For the avoidance of doubt, the follow dates are classified as NWD for the period 1 April 2024 to 1 April 2025;

Monday 1 April 2024 (Easter Monday)	Wednesday 25 December 2024 (Christmas Day)
Monday 6 May 2024 (Early May Bank Holiday)	Thursday 26 December 2024 (Boxing Day)
Monday 27 May 2024 (Spring Bank Holiday)	Wednesday 1 January 2025 (New Years Day)
Monday 26 August 2024 (August Bank Holiday)	

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STOR hours Year 18 Seasons - 2024/25							
Season	Dates	WD		NWD		Indicative Hours	
		Start Time	End Time	Start Time	End Time	WD	NWD
1	05:00 on Monday 1 April 2024 - 05:00 to Monday 29 April 2024	06:00 19:00	13:00 22:00	10:00 17:30	14:00 22:00	161 69	20 22.5
2	05:00 on Monday 29 April 2024 - 05:00 to Monday 19 August 2024	06:30 16:00	14:00 22:00	10:30 17:30	13:30 22:00	705 564	54 81
3	05:00 on Monday 19 August 2024 - 05:00 to Monday 23 September 2024	06:30 16:00	13:00 22:00	10:30 17:30	12:30 22:00	188.5 174	12 27
4	05:00 on Monday 23 September 2024 - 05:00 to Monday 21 October 2024	06:00 17:00	13:00 22:00	10:30 17:30	13:00 22:00	168 120	10 18
5	05:00 on Monday 21 October 2024 - 05:00 to Monday 20 January 2025	06:00 16:00	13:00 20:30	10:30 16:00	13:30 19:30	525 337.5	48 56
6	05:00 on Monday 20 January 2025 - 05:00 to Tuesday 1st April 2025	06:00 16:30	13:00 20:30	10:30 16:30	13:00 20:00	427 244	25 35
						3,683.00	408.50

Season	WD	NWD
1	23	5
2	94	18
3	29	6
4	24	4
5	75	16
6	61	10

**For the avoidance of doubt – there are no changes to the Committed Windows from Season 17**