



## CHES External User Test Environments - upcoming changes

We would like to provide an update on the planned changes to the CHES and CHES Project test environments ahead of the planned Release 1 Go-Live on Monday 20 April 2026.

The changes may require some existing users to:

- connect to an alternate external user testing environment prior to Release 1 go-live to avoid disruption to business-as-usual test activities
- amend their processes to use the new Test Trade File upload tool to generate test trades in the CHES test environments.

Please see the [table](#) summarising the impacted CHES test environments and key planned dates for changes to them ahead of the Release 1 Go-Live.

### Change impacts and actions required

#### **Current CHES Production Test Environment – XP2**

The XP2 CHES production codebase environment will be open with the current pre-CHES Release 1 codebase until 17.00 AEST on Friday 17 April 2026.

After this time, AMOs and CHES users will no longer be able to conduct production codebase testing in this environment. Production codebase testing from Monday 20 April 2026, will need to be undertaken in a new environment, operating as **XP1**.

**Action required:** XP2 users without an XP1 Test Kit will need to request a CHESSTest Kit from [CHESShelp@asx.com.au](mailto:CHESShelp@asx.com.au) to obtain their XP1 credentials, including AIC and UICs.

**Note:** XP2 CHESSTest Kits will not work in XP1.

## Post CHESSTest Release 1 Production Test Environment – XP1

The refreshed XP1 environment containing the post Release 1 codebase, will replace XP2 as the CHESSTest production codebase testing environment, for users to test their own software as of the CHESSTest Release 1 go-live.

**Action required:** CHESSTest users not yet connected to XP1, will require a new XP1 Test Kit to continue testing against the production codebase after the planned Release 1 cutover on Monday 20 April 2026.

As part of these changes, XP1 will become available on Monday 20 April 2026 and will be integrated to a new Release 1 Clearing Service. XP1 users are required to use a new Release 1 Clearing Service compatible **Test Trade File Template**, for initiating test trades. This template is provided in the [CHESSTest External User Testing Guidelines](#) on ASX Online.

## Pre-Production Test Environments – RTE & ITE1

RTE continues to operate as the CHESSTest pre-production codebase testing environment, where upcoming CHESSTest code changes are deployed for industry testing prior to their scheduled production deployment.

In preparation for CHESSTest Release 1, RTE was reconfigured over the weekend of 21 - 22 March 2026, prior to the planned production deployment on Monday 20 April 2026.

As part of these changes, RTE was connected to the ITE1 Release 1 Clearing Service. RTE users are required to use a new Release 1 Clearing Service compatible **Test Trade File Template** for initiating test trades, which is available as noted above.

CHESSTest users who require a new Test Kit, or wish to connect to the current SFTP test trade file transmission service in either the RTE or XP1 environments, should contact [CHESShelp@asx.com.au](mailto:CHESShelp@asx.com.au) for further details.

Kind regards,  
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