

BBC TV programme descriptions and schedules due dates

Sep 2026 – Sep 2027 (including Christmas pickup 2026)

Please send BEFORE Press Day, earlier if possible.

BBC PROG WK Early dates ahead of bank holidays/Pickup/ Christmas double issue	BBC PROGRAMME WEEK COMMENCING	1ST EXCHANGE (SCHEDULE RELEASED TO PUBLISHERS) Day 15	FINAL EXCHANGE/ PRESS DAY Day 10
40	Sat 3 Oct	Fri 18 Sep	Wed 23 Sep
41	Sat 10 Oct	Fri 25 Sep	Wed 30 Sep
42	Sat 17 Oct	Fri 2 Oct	Wed 7 Oct
43	Sat 24 Oct	Fri 9 Oct	Wed 14 Oct
44	Sat 31 Oct	Fri 16 Oct	Wed 21 Oct
45	Sat 7 Nov	Thu 22 Oct	Tue 27 Oct
46	Sat 14 Nov	Wed 28 Oct	Mon 2 Nov
47	Sat 21 Nov	Tue 3 Nov	Fri 6 Nov
48	Sat 28 Nov	Mon 9 Nov	Thu 12 Nov
49	Sat 5 Dec	Fri 13 Nov	Tue 17 Nov
50	Sat 12 Dec	Wed 18 Nov	Mon 23 Nov
51 52 Cover date: 19 Dec – 1 Jan	Sat 19 Dec Sat 26 Dec	Wed 25 Nov at 2.00pm 14-day release for both weeks (2nd issue Fri 27 Nov at 10.00am; 3rd issue Mon 30 Nov at 2.00pm; 4th issue Tue 1 Dec at 1.00pm)	Network: Tue 1 Dec at 2.30pm (Nations and Regions finals Wed 2 Dec)
1	Sat 2 Jan 2027	Fri 4 Dec	Wed 9 Dec (Nations and Regions finals Thu 10 Dec)
2	Sat 9 Jan	Fri 11 Dec	Wed 16 Dec (Nations and Regions finals Thu 17 Dec)
3	Sat 16 Jan	Fri 18 Dec	Wed 6 Jan
4	Sat 23 Jan	Fri 8 Jan	Wed 13 Jan
5	Sat 30 Jan	Fri 15 Jan	Wed 20 Jan
6	Sat 6 Feb	Fri 22 Jan	Wed 27 Jan
7	Sat 13 Feb	Fri 29 Jan	Wed 3 Feb
8	Sat 20 Feb	Fri 5 Feb	Wed 10 Feb
9	Sat 27 Feb	Fri 12 Feb	Wed 17 Feb
10	Sat 6 Mar	Fri 19 Feb	Wed 24 Feb
11	Sat 13 Mar	Fri 26 Feb	Wed 3 Mar
12	Sat 20 Mar	Fri 5 Mar	Wed 10 Mar
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23	Sat 5 June	Fri 21 May	Wed 26 May
24	Sat 12 June	Thu 27 May	Wed 2 Jun
25	Sat 19 Jun	Fri 4 Jun	Wed 9 Jun
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