

Reporting News



Welcome to KPMG's *Reporting News*, a regular summary of publications on reporting matters from KPMG

Reporting News aims to keep you informed about financial reporting developments and includes the following principal newsletters:

- Reporting Updates published by KPMG New Zealand, which focus on the application of IFRS in the New Zealand financial reporting environment, legislative and regulatory changes, and other New Zealand-specific reporting topics.
- *In the Headlines* published by the KPMG International Standards Group, which provide timely updates on developments concerning IFRS.

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Release of guidance on the New Zealand Financial Reporting Framework

The purpose of this guidance is to provide an overview of the new financial reporting framework and to help you assess the changes many entities are facing under the new framework.

The guidance consists of two parts:

- The statutory financial reporting framework, which sets out the types of entities that have statutory financial reporting obligations: preparation, audit, and filing requirements, and
- The accounting standards framework, which establishes the accounting standards to be applied by entities with statutory financial reporting obligations.

Get your copy of the booklet here.

Reporting Updates

IFRSs issued but not yet effective (31 March 2015)

This publication lists newly effective standards and standards issued but not yet effective for interim and annual periods ending 31 March 2015 and will assist you in complying with the disclosure requirements of NZ IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors, paragraph 30.

Reporting Update RN15-01A – IFRS issued but not yet effective

In the Headlines

In the Headlines: Enhancing the auditor's report (2015/01)

This In the Headlines looks at the IAASB's new requirements on auditor reporting.

Read our <u>In the Headlines</u> to find out more.

Other KPMG Publications

IFRS Newsletter: Financial Instruments

Issue 21 - This IFRS Newsletter: Financial Instruments highlights the IASB's discussions in February 2015 on its financial instrument project.

Read Issue 21 of our IFRS Newsletter: Financial Instruments to find out more.

IFRS Newsletter: Leases

Issue 17 - This edition of IFRS Newsletter: Leases provides an overview of the IASB and FASB discussions of the leases project between November 2014 and March 2015.

Read Issue 17 of our IFRS Newsletter: Leases to find out more.

IFRS Newsletter: Revenue

Issues 12 and 13 - This edition of IFRS Newsletter: Revenue examines the latest developments on the new standard, and what the decisions could mean for you.

Read Issue 12 and 13 of our IFRS Newsletter: Revenue to find out more.

Other

External Reporting Board Communiqué 2015/3

This Communique advises that the XRB Board has issued Standard XRB A1 *Accounting Standards Framework (For-profit Entities plus Public Sector Public Benefit Entities plus Not-for-profit Entities minus For-profit Tier 3 and Tier 4 Update)* (XRB A1 (FP Entities + PS PBEs + NFPs - FP Tier 3 and Tier 4 Update)) and associated Revocation Notice revoking the Tier 3 and Tier 4 for-profit accounting standards from 1 April 2015. This version of XRB A1 and the Revocation Notice give effect to the XRB Board's previously advised decision to revoke For-Profit Tier 3 (NZ IFRS Diff Rep) and Tier 4 (Old GAAP).

The Standard and Revocation Notice are available for download here.

XRB Communiqué 3: 9 March 2015

NZ Accounting Standards Board Communiqué 2015/6

PBE Exposure Draft on Omnibus Amendments to PBE Standards

The New Zealand Accounting Standards Board (NZASB) has published for public comment an Exposure Draft to amend existing PBE Standards entitled: ED NZASB 2015-2 2015 *Omnibus Amendments to PBE Standards* (ED NZASB 2015-2).

ED NZASB 2015-2 contains the following proposals:

- amendments to align PBE Standards with NZ IFRSs as a consequence of the IASB's Annual Improvements to IFRSs;
- amendments to align PBE Standards with IPSASs as a consequence of the IPSASB's Improvements to IPSASs 2014;
 and
- editorial corrections.

The proposed amendments clarify some of the requirements in certain PBE Standards. The NZASB encourages you to read the Exposure Draft, consider how the proposals will impact your entities and comment on the proposals.

The proposals in ED NZASB 2015-2 are relevant for Tier 1 and Tier 2 public benefit entities. Comments are due to the NZASB by 15 May 2015. Further information is available from the <u>XRB website</u>.

NZASB Communiqué 7: 16 February 2015

NZ Accounting Standards Board Communiqué 2015/5

PBE Exposure Draft issued on Disclosure Initiative:

The New Zealand Accounting Standards Board (NZASB) has published for public comment an Exposure Drafts that proposes to amend existing PBE Standards entitled ED NZASB 2015-1 *Disclosure Initiative* (Amendments to PBE IPSAS 1).

The proposed amendments clarify existing PBE IPSAS 1 requirements that relate to materiality, order of the notes, subtotals, accounting policies and disaggregation. The amendments to PBE IPSAS 1 are designed to further encourage public benefit entities to apply professional judgement in determining what information to disclose in their financial statements.

They are based on the narrow focus amendments to IAS 1 *Presentation of Financial Statements* recently issued by the IASB to clarify, rather than significantly change, existing IAS 1 requirements as part of the broader Disclosure Initiative project.

The NZASB encourages you to read the Exposure Draft, consider how the proposals will impact your entities and comment on the proposals. The proposals in ED NZASB 2015-1 are relevant for Tier 1 and Tier 2 public benefit entities. Comments are due to the NZASB by 15 May 2015.

NZASB Communiqué 5: 13 February 2015

NZ Accounting Standards Board Communiqué 2015/4

For-profit Accounting Standards issued on general disclosure requirements and exceptions to consolidation:

NZASB has issued two For-Profit Accounting Standards that amend existing Standards. The two Standards are titled: *Disclosure Initiative* (Amendments to NZ IAS 1) and *Investment Entities: Applying the Consolidation Exception* (Amendments to NZ IFRS 10, NZ IFRS 12 and NZ IAS 28).

Disclosure Initiative (Amendments to NZ IAS 1)

This Standard clarifies existing requirements in NZ IAS 1 *Presentation of Financial Statements* and encourages entities to apply professional judgement in determining the information to disclose in their financial statements. As a result, entities should take the opportunity to remove immaterial disclosures and focus disclosures on what is most relevant and important to users, thereby helping to address disclosure overload in their financial statements.

The Standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016, and early application is permitted. The Standard is available on the <u>XRB website</u>.

Investment Entities: Applying the Consolidation Exception (Amendments to NZ IFRS 10, 11 and NZ IAS 28)

This Standard clarifies various aspects of the exception to consolidation by investment entities set out in NZ IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements. The Standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016, and early application is permitted. The Standard is available on the <u>XRB website</u>.

NZASB Communiqué 4: 13 February 2015

Further information

Please speak to your usual KPMG contact or call any of our offices should you have any questions on the above or if you would like further information on any of the matters discussed in this publication.

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