

### Effective for 2014 Dec. Year-End

#### Selected new interpretations and amendments to **HKFRSs**

- Amendments to HKFRS 10, HKFRS 12 and HKAS 27 (2011) **Investment Entities**
- Amendments to HKAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation ➤ 1 Jan. 2014 Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities
- Amendments to HKAS 36 Recoverable Amount Disclosures for ➤ 1 Jan. 2014 Non-Financial Assets (Impairment of Assets)
- Amendments to HKAS 39 Novation of Derivatives and Continuation of Hedge Accounting
- HK(IFRIC) Int 21 Levies
- Preface to HKFRSs

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- Amendments to HKAS 19 (2011) Employee Benefits Defined Benefit Plans: Employee Contributions
- Annual Improvements 2010-2012 Cycle
- Annual Improvements 2011-2013 Cycle
- SME-FRF and SME-FRS (Revised 2014) (pursuant to the New Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622) effective from 3 Mar. 2014)
- Accounting Bulletin 5 Guidance for the Preparation of a Business Review under the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance Cap. 622
- Accounting Bulletin 6 Guidance on the Requirements of Section 436 of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance Cap. 622

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- Amendments to HKFRS 11 Accounting for Acquisitions of Interests in Joint Operations
- Amendments to HKAS 16 and HKAS 38 Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation
- Amendments to HKAS 16 and HKAS 41 Agriculture: Bearer Plants
- Amendments to HKAS 27 Equity Method in Separate Financial Statements
- Amendments to HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28 Sale or Contribution of ➤ 1 Jan. 2016 Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture
- Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2012-2014 Cycle
- Amendments to HKAS 1 Disclosure Initiative
- Amendments to HKFRS 10, 11 and 12 Investment Entities: Applying the Consolidation Exception
- HKFRS 14 Regulatory Deferral Accounts

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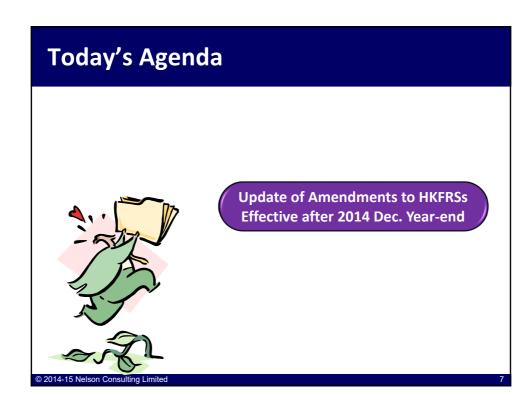
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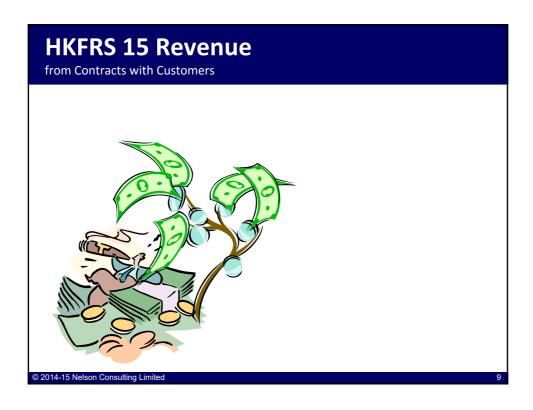
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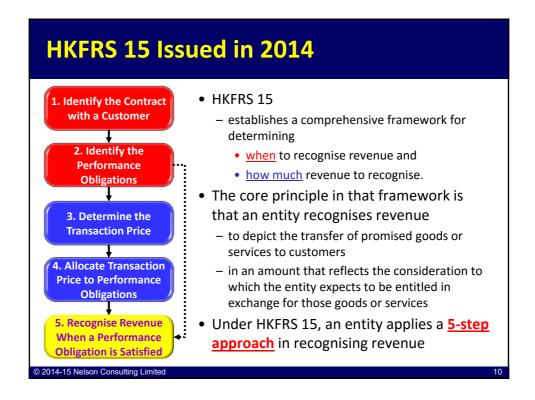
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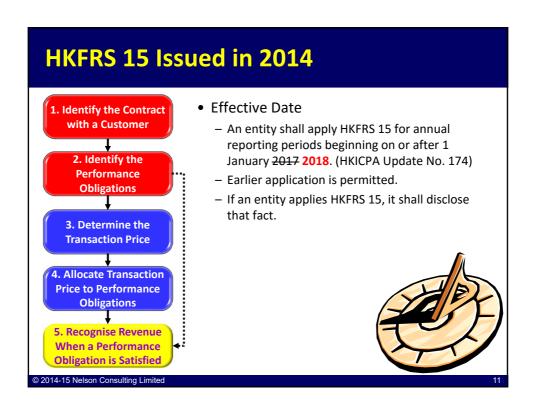
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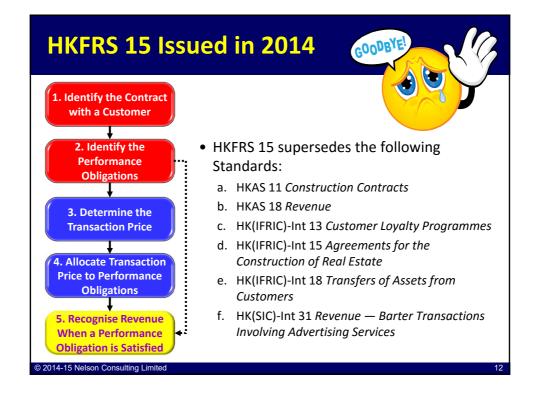


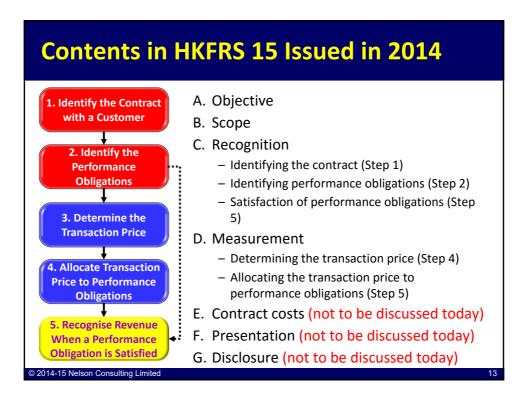












Existing Practice	IFRS 15
<ul> <li>Using IAS 11 and 18, IFRIC Int. 13, 15, and 18, and SIC 31</li> </ul>	Using IFRS 15, one standard only
<ul> <li>Inconsistent and diversified practices</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Single and unified 5-step revenue recognition model</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Risk and reward approach in satisfying recognition</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Control approach in satisfying the performance obligation</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Limited guidance on multiple element arrangements, variable consideration, licences and etc.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>More guidance on separating elements, allocating the transaction price, licences, and etc.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>New estimates and judgements required</li> </ul>
	New set of disclosure requirements

### A. Objective



- to establish the principles that an entity shall apply to report useful information to users of financial statements about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from a contract with a customer (HKFRS 15.1)
- To meet the objective
  - The core principle of HKFRS 15 is that an entity shall recognise revenue
    - to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers
    - in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. (HKFRS 15.2)
- When applying HKFRS 15, an entity shall
  - consider the terms of the contract and all relevant facts and circumstances
  - apply HKFRS 15, including the use of any practical expedients, consistently to contracts with similar characteristics and in similar circumstances.

(HKFRS 15.3)
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### A. Objective

- HKFRS 15 specifies the accounting for an individual contract with a customer
  - However, as <u>a practical expedient</u>, an entity may apply HKFRS 15 to <u>a portfolio of contracts</u> (or performance obligations) with <u>similar characteristics</u>
    - if the entity <u>reasonably expects</u> that the effects on the financial statements of applying HKFRS 15 to the portfolio <u>would not differ</u> <u>materially</u> from applying HKFRS 15 to the individual contracts (or performance obligations) within that portfolio
  - When accounting for a portfolio, an entity shall use estimates and assumptions that reflect the size and composition of the portfolio. (HKFRS 15.4)

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### **B.** Scope

- An entity shall apply HKFRS 15 to all contracts with customers, except the following:
  - lease contracts within the scope of HKAS 17 Leases;
  - insurance contracts within the scope of HKFRS 4 Insurance Contracts;
  - <u>financial instruments and other contractual rights or obligations</u> within the scope of
    - HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments, (or HKAS 39 if HKFRS 9 not yet applied)
    - HKFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements, HKFRS 11 Joint Arrangements, HKAS 27 Separate Financial Statements and HKAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures; and
  - non-monetary exchanges between <u>entities in the same line of business</u> to <u>facilitate sales</u> to customers or potential customers
    - For example, HKFRS 15 would not apply to a contract between two oil companies that agree to an exchange of oil to fulfil demand from their customers in different specified locations on a timely basis. (HKFRS15.5)

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### C. Recognition and D. Measurement 1. Identify the Contract with a Customer Ŧ 2. Identify the Performance **Obligations** 3. Determine the **Transaction Price** 4. Allocate Transaction **Price to Performance Obligations** 5. Recognise Revenue When a Performance **Obligation is Satisfied** 2014-15 Nelson Consulting Limited

### C. Recognition 1. Identify the Contract with a Customer

2. Identify the Performance **Obligations** 

- **Obligation is Satisfied** 2014-15 Nelson Consulting Limited

5. Recognise Revenue

When a Performance

#### Step 1: Identifying the Contract(s)

- Combination of contracts
- Contract modifications

#### **Step 2: Identifying Performance Obligations**

- Promises in contracts with customers
- Distinct goods or services

#### • Step 5: Satisfaction of performance obligations

- Performance obligations satisfied over time
- Performance obligations satisfied at a point in
- Measuring progress towards complete satisfaction of a performance obligation

### **Step 1: Identify the Contract(s)**

1. Identify the Contract with a Customer

#### Step 1: Identifying the Contract(s)

- A contract is an agreement between two or more parties that creates enforceable rights and obligations.
- The requirements of HKFRS 15 apply to each contract that has been agreed upon with a customer and meets specified criteria.
  - In some cases, HKFRS 15 requires an entity to combine contracts and account for them as one contract.
  - HKFRS 15 also provides requirements for the accounting for contract modifications. (HKFRS 15.IN7)



### **Step 1: Identify the Contract(s)**

- An entity shall <u>account for a contract with a customer</u> that is within the scope of HKFRS 15 only when all of the following criteria (i.e. <u>contract criteria</u>) are met:
  - a. the parties to the contract have <u>approved the contract</u> (in writing, orally or in accordance with other customary business practices) and are <u>committed to perform their respective obligations</u>;
  - b. the entity <u>can identify each party's rights</u> regarding the goods or services to be transferred;
  - c. the entity <u>can identify the payment terms</u> for the goods or services to be transferred;
  - d. the contract has <u>commercial substance</u>
     (i.e. the risk, timing or amount of the entity's future cash flows is expected to change as a result of the contract); and



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### **Step 1: Identify the Contract(s)**

- An entity shall <u>account for a contract with a customer</u> that is within the scope of HKFRS 15 <u>only when all</u> of the following criteria (i.e. <u>contract criteria</u>) are met:
  - e. it is <u>probable</u> that the entity <u>will collect the consideration</u> to which it will be entitled in exchange for the goods or services that will be transferred to the customer.
    - In evaluating whether collectability of an amount of consideration is probable, an entity shall <u>consider only the customer's ability and</u> <u>intention to pay</u> that amount of consideration when it is due.
    - The amount of consideration to which the entity will be entitled may be less than the price stated in the contract if the consideration is variable because the entity may offer the customer a price concession (see HKFRS 15.52) (HKFRS 15.9)



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### **Step 1: Identify the Contract(s)**

1. Identify the Contract with a Customer

**Combination of Contracts** 

**Contract Modification** 

- An entity <u>shall combine two or more contracts</u> entered into <u>at or</u> <u>near the same time with the same customer</u> (or related parties of the customer) and account for the contracts <u>as a single contract</u> if <u>one or more</u> of the following criteria <u>are met</u>:
  - a. the contracts are <u>negotiated as a package</u> with a <u>single commercial</u> <u>objective</u>;
  - b. the amount of consideration to be <u>paid in one contract</u> depends on the price or performance of the other contract; or
  - c. the <u>goods or services promised</u> in the contracts (or some goods or services promised in each of the contracts) are <u>a single performance obligation</u> in accordance with HKFRS 15.22–30. (HKFRS 15.17)

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### **Step 1: Identify the Contract(s)**

1. Identify the Contract with a Customer

**Combination of Contracts** 

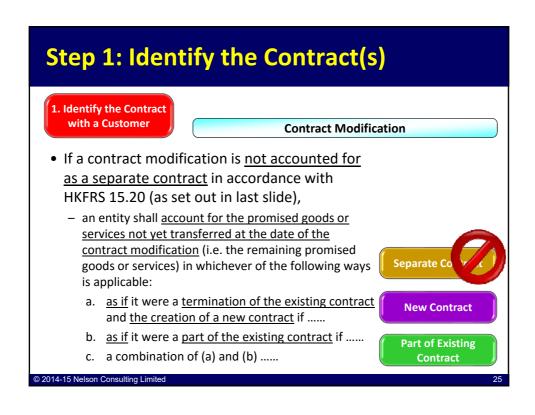
**Contract Modification** 

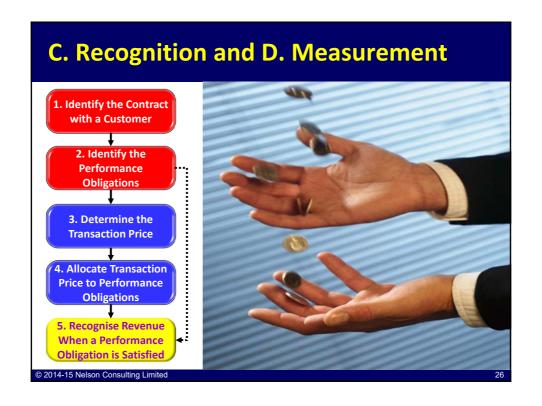
- An entity <u>shall account for a contract modification as a separate</u> <u>contract</u> if <u>both</u> of the following conditions <u>are present</u>:
  - a. the <u>scope of the contract increases</u> because of the addition of promised goods or services that are <u>distinct</u> (in accordance with HKFRS 15.26–30);
     and
  - b. the price of the contract increases by
    - an <u>amount of consideration</u> that reflects the entity's <u>stand-alone selling prices of</u> <u>the additional promised goods or services</u>
    - any appropriate <u>adjustments</u> to that price to reflect the circumstances of the particular contract. (HKFRS 15.20)

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**Separate Contract** 





## **Step 2: Identify Performance Obligations**

2. Identify the Performance Obligations



### Step 2: Identifying the Performance Obligations in the Contract

- A contract includes <u>promises to transfer goods</u> or services to a customer.
- If those goods or services are <u>distinct</u>, the <u>promises</u>
  - are performance obligations and
  - are accounted for separately
- A good or service is distinct if
  - the <u>customer can benefit</u> from the good or service on its own or together with other resources that are readily available to the customer and
  - the entity's promise to transfer the good or service to the customer is <u>separately identifiable</u> from other promises in the contract. (HKFRS 15.IN7)

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### **Step 2: Identify Performance Obligations**

- At contract inception, an entity shall
  - assess the goods or services promised in a contract with a customer, and
  - identify as a performance obligation each promise to transfer to the customer either:
    - a. a good or service (or a bundle of goods or services) that is distinct; or
    - b. a <u>series of distinct goods or services</u> that are substantially the same and that have the same pattern of transfer to the customer (see HKFRS 15.23) (HKFRS 15.22)



#### HKFRS 15 defines **performance obligation** as:

- A promise in a contract with a customer to transfer to the customer either:
  - a. a good or service (or a bundle of goods or services) that is distinct; or
  - b. a series of distinct goods or services that are substantially the same and that have the same pattern of transfer to the customer.

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### **Step 2: Identify Performance Obligations**

- A good or service that is promised to a customer is <u>distinct</u> if <u>both</u>
  of the following criteria <u>are met</u>:
  - a. the <u>customer can benefit from the good or service</u> either on its own or together with other resources that are readily available to the customer (i.e. the good or service is <u>capable of being distinct</u>); and
  - the entity's promise to transfer the good or service to the customer is separately identifiable from other promises in the contract (i.e. the good or service is distinct within the context of the contract). (HKFRS 15.27)



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### **Step 2: Identify Performance Obligations**

- If a promised good or service is <u>not distinct</u>,
  - an entity <u>shall combine</u> that good or service with other promised goods or services <u>until it identifies</u> a <u>bundle of goods or services that is distinct</u>.
    - In some cases, that would result in the entity <u>accounting for all the</u> goods or <u>services promised</u> in a contract <u>as a single performance</u> <u>obligation</u>. (HKFRS 15.30)



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### **Existing Practice vs HKFRS 15**

#### **Existing Practice**

#### **HKFRS 15**

#### Incidental Obligations and Sales Incentives (see more in Step 2)

- Some companies <u>may not separately recognise revenue</u> for the transfer to the customer of goods or services that <u>some consider to be sales incentives</u> or <u>otherwise incidental or ancillary to the other promised goods or services in the contract.</u>
- That practice results in a company recognising all of the transaction price as revenue even though it has remaining performance obligations to satisfy.
- This sometimes occurs in the automotive industry when a manufacturer sells a car along with an incentive such as maintenance that will be provided at a later date.
- A company will <u>assess</u> whether the promised goods or services arising from incidental obligations and sales incentives are goods or services that are <u>distinct</u>.
- If the goods or services are distinct, the company will recognise revenue when (or as) each distinct good or service is transferred to the customer.

C. Recognition and D. Measurement

1. Identify the Contract with a Customer

2. Identify the Performance Obligations

3. Determine the Transaction Price to Performance Obligations

5. Recognise Revenue When a Performance Obligation is Satisfied

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### **D.** Measurement

- Step 3: Determining the Transaction Prices
  - Variable consideration
  - The existence of a significant financing component in the contract
  - Non-cash consideration
  - Consideration payable to a customer
- Step 4: Allocating the Transaction Price to Performance Obligations
  - Allocation based on stand-alone selling prices
  - Allocation of a discount
  - Allocation of variable consideration
  - Changes in the transaction price

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3. Determine the Transaction Price

4. Allocate Transaction

**Price to Performance** 

**Obligations** 

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### **Step 3: Determine Transaction Price**

- Step 3: Determining the Transaction Prices
  - The transaction price
    - is the amount of consideration in a contract to which an entity <u>expects to be entitled</u> in exchange for transferring promised goods or services to a customer
    - can be a <u>fixed amount of customer consideration</u>, but it <u>may sometimes include</u>
      - variable consideration or
      - consideration in a form other than cash
    - is also <u>adjusted for the effects of the time value of money</u> if the contract includes a significant financing component and for any consideration payable to the customer. (HKFRS 15.IN7)

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3. Determine the

**Transaction Price** 

#### Step 3: Determining the Transaction Prices

- If the consideration is <u>variable</u>, an entity <u>estimates</u> the amount of consideration to which it will be entitled in exchange for the promised goods or services.
- The estimated amount of variable consideration will be included in the transaction price
  - only to the extent that it is <u>highly probable</u>
    that a <u>significant reversal</u> in the amount of
    cumulative revenue recognised <u>will not</u>
    <u>occur</u> when the uncertainty associated with
    the variable consideration is subsequently
    resolved. (HKFRS 15.IN7)

3. Determine the Transaction Price

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### **Step 3: Determine Transaction Price**

#### HKFRS 15 defines transaction price as:

- The amount of consideration to which an entity expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring promised goods or services to a customer, excluding amounts collected on behalf of third parties (for example, some sales taxes).
- To determine the transaction price, an entity shall consider
  - the terms of the contract and
  - its customary business practices.
    - The consideration promised in a contract with a customer may include
      - fixed amounts,
      - variable amounts, or
      - both. (HKFRS 15.47)

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- The <u>nature</u>, <u>timing</u> and <u>amount</u> of consideration promised by a customer affect the estimate of the transaction price.
- When determining the transaction price, an entity shall consider the effects of all of the following:
  - a. variable consideration (see HKFRS 15.50-55 and 59);
  - b. <u>constraining estimates</u> of variable consideration (see HKFRS 15.56–58);
  - c. the existence of a <u>significant financing component</u> in the contract (see HKFRS 15.60–65);
  - d. non-cash consideration (see HKFRS 15.66-69); and
  - e. <u>consideration payable to a customer</u> (see HKFRS 15.70–72). (HKFRS 15.48)

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Variable Consideration

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Significant Financing Component

> Non-cash Consideration

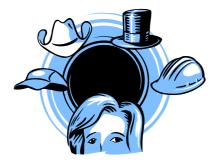
Consideration Payable to Customer

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### **Step 3: Determine Transaction Price**

- If the consideration promised in a contract includes a variable amount,
  - an entity shall <u>estimate the amount of consideration</u> to which the entity <u>will be entitled in exchange for transferring the promised goods or</u> services to a customer. (HKFRS 15.50)

Variable Consideration



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- An entity shall <u>estimate</u> an amount of variable consideration by <u>using either</u> <u>of the following methods</u>, depending on which method the entity <u>expects to</u> <u>better predict the amount of consideration</u> to which it will be entitled:
  - **a.** The expected value the expected value is the sum of probabilityweighted amounts in a range of possible consideration amounts.

 An expected value may be an appropriate estimate of the amount of variable consideration if an entity has <u>a large</u> no. of contracts with similar characteristics.

Variable Consideration

- b. The most likely amount the most likely amount is the single most likely amount in a range of possible consideration amounts (i.e. the single most likely outcome of the contract).
  - The most likely amount may be an appropriate
     estimate of the amount of variable consideration <u>if</u>
     the contract has only two possible outcomes (e.g. an entity either achieves a performance bonus or does not). (HKFRS 15.53)

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**Expected Value** 

**Most Likely** 

**Amount** 

### **Step 3: Determine Transaction Price**

- An entity shall <u>include in the transaction price</u> some or all of an amount of variable consideration estimated in accordance with HKFRS 15.53
  - only to the extent that it is <u>highly probable</u> that a <u>significant reversal</u> in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised <u>will not occur</u> when the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved. (HKFRS 15.56)
- · In assessing such highly probable circumstance,
  - an entity shall <u>consider both the likelihood and the</u> magnitude of the revenue reversal.



Constraining Estimates of Variable Con.

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- To determine the transaction price for contracts in which a customer promises consideration in a form other than cash,
  - an entity shall measure the non-cash consideration (or promise of noncash consideration) at fair value. (HKFRS 15.66)
    - If an entity cannot reasonably estimate the fair value of the non-cash consideration,
      - the entity shall measure the consideration indirectly by reference to the stand-alone selling price of the goods or services promised to the customer (or class of customer) in exchange for the consideration. (HKFRS 15.67)



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### **Existing Practice vs HKFRS 15**

#### **HKFRS 15 Existing Practice** Estimates of Variable Consideration (see more in Step 3) Revenue requirements do not include • If the consideration promised by a <u>detailed guidance</u> for measuring the customer is variable, a company will amount of revenue that should be estimate it using either the expected recognised when the consideration is value or the most likely amount, depending on which amount better <u>variable</u> predicts the amount of consideration to which the company will be entitled. Some or all of the estimated amount of variable consideration is included in the transaction price only to the extent that it is highly probable that a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur when the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved.

### **Existing Practice vs HKFRS 15**

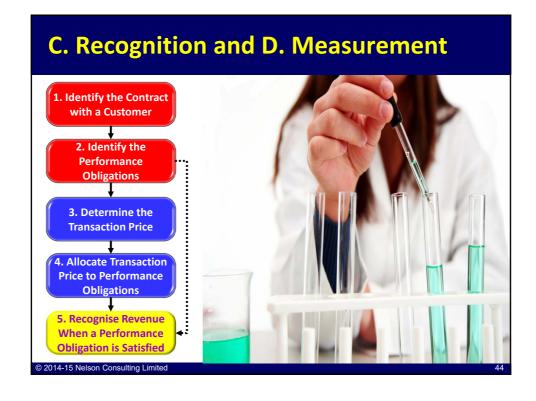
#### **Existing Practice**

#### **HKFRS 15**

#### Significant Financing Components (see more on Step 3)

- in advance or in arrears, some companies may not consider the effects of any financing components in the contract when determining the amount of revenue to be recognised.
- If a customer pays for goods or services A company is <u>required to consider the</u> effects of any significant financing components in the determination of the transaction price (and thus the amount of revenue recognised).
  - · This may affect long-term contracts in which payment by the customer and performance by the company occur at significantly different times.

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- Step 4: Allocating the Transaction Price to Performance Obligations
  - An entity typically allocates the transaction price to each performance obligation on the basis of the <u>relative stand-alone selling prices of</u> <u>each distinct good or service promised</u> in the contract.
    - If a stand-alone selling price is not observable, an entity <u>estimates it</u>.
  - Sometimes, the transaction price includes a discount or a variable amount of consideration that relates entirely to a part of the contract.
    - HKFRS 15 specify when an entity allocates the discount or variable consideration to one or more, but not all, performance obligations (or distinct goods or services) in the contract. (HKFRS 15.IN7)

4. Allocate Transaction
Price to Performance
Obligations

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### **Step 4: Allocate Transaction Price to PO**

Based on Stand-alone Selling Price (SASP)

> Allocation of a Discount

Allocation of Variable Consideration

4. Allocate Transaction
Price to Performance
Obligations

- The objective when <u>allocating the</u> transaction price is
  - for an entity to allocate the transaction price to each performance obligation (or distinct good or service) in an amount that depicts the amount of consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring the promised goods or services to the customer. (HKFRS 15.73)

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Based on Stand-alone Selling Price (SASP)

> Allocation of a Discount

Allocation of Variable Consideration

4. Allocate Transaction Price to Performance Obligations  To meet the allocation objective, an entity shall allocate the transaction price to each performance obligation identified in the contract on <u>a relative stand-alone selling</u> <u>price basis</u> in accordance with HKFRS 15.76–80, except as specified in

- HKFRS 15.81-83 (for allocating discounts) and

HKFRS 15.84–86 (for allocating consideration that includes variable amounts). (HKFRS 15.74)

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### **Step 4: Allocate Transaction Price to PO**

HKFRS 15 defines stand-alone selling price as:

 The price at which an entity would sell a promised good or service separately to a customer..

Based on Stand-alone Selling Price (SASP)

- To allocate the transaction price to each performance obligation on a relative stand-alone selling price basis, an entity shall
  - determine the stand-alone selling price at <u>contract inception</u> of the distinct good or service underlying each performance obligation in the contract and
  - allocate the transaction price in proportion to those stand-alone selling prices. (HKFRS 15.76)



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Based on Stand-alone

- The best evidence of a stand-alone selling price is
  - the <u>observable price</u> of a good or service when the entity <u>sells that good or service separately</u> in similar circumstances and to similar customers.
    - A contractually stated price or a list price for a good or service <u>may be (but shall not be</u> <u>presumed to be)</u> the stand-alone selling price of that good or service. (HKFRS 15.77)



Selling Price (SASP)

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### **Step 4: Allocate Transaction Price to PO**

Based on Stand-alone Selling Price (SASP)

- If SASP is not directly observable,
  - an entity shall <u>estimate</u> the SASP at an amount that would result in the allocation of the transaction price meeting the allocation objective in HKFRS 15.73.
- When estimating SASP,
  - an entity shall <u>consider all information</u> (including market conditions, entity-specific factors and information about the customer or class of customer) that is <u>reasonably available</u> to the entity.
  - In doing so, an entity shall
    - maximise the use of observable inputs and
    - apply estimation methods consistently in similar circumstances. (HKFRS 15.78)

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- Suitable methods for estimating SASP of a good or service include (not limited to):
  - a. Adjusted market assessment approach
  - b. Expected cost plus a margin approach
  - c. Residual approach
  - d. Combination of the above



**Based on Stand-alone** 

Selling Price (SASP)

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### **Existing Practice vs HKFRS 15**

#### **Existing Practice**

#### **HKFRS 15**

#### Contingent Revenue Cap (see more in Step 4)

- Some practices for allocating the transaction price <u>limit the amount of consideration allocated to a satisfied performance obligation</u> to the <u>amount that is not contingent on the satisfaction of performance obligations in the future.</u>
- That practice is commonly used to account for <u>telecommunications</u> <u>contracts</u> that bundle the sale of a mobile phone with the provision of network services for a specified period (often for one or two years).
- IFRS 15 does <u>not permit</u> the transaction price to be allocated to performance obligations on a basis that is consistent with the contingent revenue cap.
- Instead, IFRS 15 requires a company to allocate the transaction price—which would be any amount that the customer pays on entering into the contract and the monthly payments for the network services—to the mobile phone and the network services on the basis of the relative stand-alone selling prices of each item.

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### **Existing Practice vs HKFRS 15**

#### **Existing Practice**

#### **HKFRS 15**

#### No Observable Selling Price (see more in Step 4)

- For some contracts, revenue
   requirements <u>preclude a company from</u>
   <u>recognising revenue</u> on the transfer of a
   good or service to a customer <u>if there is</u>
   <u>no observable evidence of the stand-</u>
   <u>alone selling prices</u> of each of the goods
   or services promised in the contract.
- This often <u>results</u> in the <u>deferral of</u>
   <u>revenue recognition</u> because revenue
   could not be recognised when the first
   of the promised goods or services
   transfers to the customer.
- This regularly occurs in the <u>software</u> <u>industry</u> when observable prices are not available for upgrades and additional functionality for computer software.
- If observable prices of the promised goods or services are not available, a company would <u>allocate the transaction</u> <u>price on the basis of estimated standalone selling prices of those goods or services.</u>
- The company will recognise revenue as each distinct good or service is transferred to the customer.

C. Recognition and D. Measurement

1. Identify the Contract with a Customer

2. Identify the Performance Obligations

3. Determine the Transaction Price to Performance Obligations

5. Recognise Revenue When a Performance Obligation is Satisfied

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- Step 5: Satisfaction of performance obligations
  - A an entity recognises revenue when (or as) it satisfies a performance obligation by transferring a promised good or service to a customer
    - which is when the customer obtains control of that good or service.
  - The amount of revenue recognised is the <u>amount allocated to the satisfied performance</u> obligation. (HKFRS 15.IN7)

5. Recognise Revenue When a Performance Obligation is Satisfied

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### **Step 5: Satisfy Performance Obligations**



- Step 5: Satisfaction of performance obligations
  - A performance obligation may be satisfied
    - <u>at a point in time</u> (typically for promises to transfer goods to a customer) or
    - <u>over time</u> (typically for promises to transfer services to a customer).
  - For performance obligations satisfied over time, an entity recognises revenue over time by selecting an appropriate method for measuring the entity's progress towards complete satisfaction of that performance obligation. (HKFRS 15.IN7)

5. Recognise Revenue When a Performance Obligation is Satisfied

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- An entity shall recognise revenue
  - when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation by transferring a promised good or service (i.e. an asset) to a customer.
- An asset is transferred
  - when (or as) the customer obtains control of that asset (HKFRS 15.31)



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### **Step 5: Satisfy Performance Obligations**

- For each performance obligation identified in accordance with HKFRS 15.22–30,
  - an entity shall determine at contract inception whether it
    - satisfies the performance obligation <u>over time</u> (in accordance with HKFRS 15.35–37) or
    - satisfies the performance obligation at a point in time (in accordance with HKFRS 15.38).
      - If an entity does not satisfy a performance obligation over time, the performance obligation is <u>satisfied at a point in time</u>. (HKFRS 15.32)

Over Time

At a Point in Time

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- Goods and services are assets, even if only momentarily, when they are received and used (as in the case of many services).
- Control of an asset
  - refers to the <u>ability to direct</u> the <u>use of, and obtain</u> <u>substantially all of the remaining benefits</u> from, the asset.
  - includes the <u>ability to prevent other entities from</u> <u>directing</u> the use of, and obtaining the benefits from, an asset.
- When evaluating whether a customer obtains control of an asset,
  - an entity shall <u>consider any agreement</u> <u>to repurchase the asset</u> (see HKFRS 15.B64–B76). (HKFRS 15.33)

**Over Time** 

At a Point in Time



**Over Time** 

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## Step 5: Satisfy Performance Oblinions

- An entity <u>transfers control</u> of a good or service <u>over time</u> and, therefore, <u>satisfies a performance obligation and</u> <u>recognises revenue over time</u>, if <u>one</u> of the following criteria is met:
  - a. the customer <u>simultaneously receives and consumes</u> <u>the benefits</u> provided by the entity's performance as the entity performs (see HKFRS 15.B3–B4);
  - b. the entity's performance <u>creates or enhances an asset</u> (e.g. work in progress) that <u>the customer controls</u> as the asset is created or enhanced (see HKFRS 15.B5); or
  - c. the entity's performance does <u>not create an asset with an alternative use</u> to the entity (see HKFRS 15.36) and the entity <u>has an enforceable right to payment for performance completed to date</u> (see HKFRS 15.37). (HKFRS 15.35)

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- If a performance obligation is <u>not satisfied over time</u> in accordance with HKFRS 15.35–37, an entity <u>satisfies the performance obligation at a point in time</u>.
- To determine the point in time at which a customer obtains control of a promised asset and the entity satisfies a performance obligation,
  - the entity <u>shall consider the requirements for</u> control in HKFRS 15.31–34. (HKFRS 15.38)

At a Point in Time



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### **Step 5: Satisfy Performance Obligations**

- In addition, an entity <u>shall consider indicators of the transfer of</u> <u>control</u>, which include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - a. The entity has a present right to payment for the asset
  - b. The customer has legal title to the asset
  - c. The entity has transferred physical possession of the asset
  - d. The <u>customer has the significant risks and</u> <u>rewards of ownership</u> of the asset

At a Point in Time

e. The customer has accepted the asset



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# Measuring Progress Towards Complete Satisfaction of a Performance Obligation

- For each performance obligation satisfied over time in accordance with HKFRS 15.35–37,
  - an entity <u>shall recognise revenue over time</u> by measuring the progress towards complete satisfaction of that performance obligation.
- The objective when measuring progress is to depict an entity's performance in transferring control of goods or services promised to a customer (i.e. the satisfaction of an entity's performance obligation).
   (HKFRS 15.39)



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### **Step 5: Satisfy Performance Obligations**

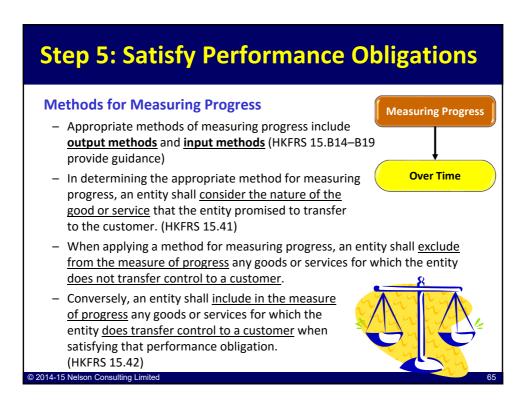
## Measuring Progress Towards Complete Satisfaction of a Performance Obligation

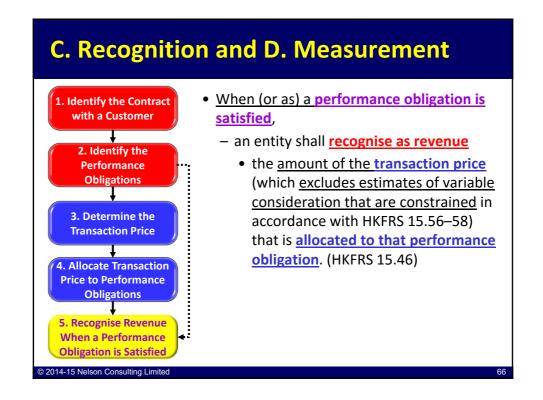
- An entity shall apply a single method of measuring progress for each performance obligation satisfied over time and the entity shall apply that method consistently to similar performance obligations and in similar circumstances.
- Measuring Progress
  Over Time

- At the end of each reporting period,
  - an entity <u>shall remeasure its progress towards complete satisfaction of a performance obligation</u> satisfied over time. (HKFRS 15.40)



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### **Existing Practice vs HKFRS 15**

#### **Existing Practice**

#### **HKFRS 15**

#### Timing of Revenue Recognition (see more in Step 5)

- Because of a lack of clear and comprehensive guidance, there is some diversity in practice in determining whether a company should recognise revenue for some goods or services at a point in time or over time.
- Some companies selling <u>residential real</u> <u>estate in multi-unit developments</u> have difficulty determining whether the construction of such assets is
  - a service that is provided over time (revenue is recognised over time) or
  - a good that is transferred to the customer when construction is complete (revenue is recognised at that point in time)

- A company will be able to recognise revenue over time only if the criteria specified in IFRS 15 are met.
- In all other cases, a company will recognise revenue at the point in time when the customer obtains control of the promised good or service.

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### **Existing Practice vs HKFRS 15**

#### **Existing Practice**

#### **HKFRS 15**

#### Licences

- The revenue recognition guidance on accounting for licences of intellectual property is broad.
- Different interpretations of that guidance has led to significant diversity in the accounting for licences.
- IFRS 15 provides application guidance on how to apply the revenue framework to different types of licences of intellectual property.

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## **Existing Practice vs HKFRS 15**

#### **Existing Practice**

#### **HKFRS 15**

#### **Disclosure**

- is inadequate and lacks cohesion with the disclosure of other items in the financial statements.
- For example, many investors have said that some companies present revenue in isolation, which means that investors cannot relate revenue to the company's financial position.
- Disclosure of information about revenue IFRS 15 includes a comprehensive set of disclosure requirements that require a company to disclose qualitative and quantitative information about its contracts with customers to help investors understand the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue.

## **HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments**



### **HKFRS 9 Issued in 2014**

- Effective Date
  - An entity shall apply HKFRS 9 for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018.
  - Earlier application is permitted.
  - If an entity elects to apply HKFRS 9 early, it must disclose that fact and apply all of the requirements in HKFRS 9 at the same time (but see also paragraphs 7.1.2, 7.2.21 and 7.3.2).
  - It shall also, at the same time, apply the amendments in Appendix C. (para. 7.1.1)

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### **HKFRS 9 Issued in 2014**

- 1. Objective
- 2. Scope
- Transferred from HKAS 39
- 3. Recognition and Derecognition
- 4. Classification
- Debt instruments can now be measured at fair value through other comprehensive income
- Initial measurement of trade receivable
- 5. Measurement
- New impairment requirements
- 6. Hedge Accounting <
- Changes mainly on hedge conditions

7. Effective Date and Transition



# **HKFRS 9 Issued in 2014**

- 4. Classification



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# **Chapter 4.1 Classification of FA**

- Unless para. 4.1.5 of HKFRS 9 (so-called "fair value option") applies, an entity shall classify financial assets as subsequently measured at either
  - amortised cost,
  - fair value through other comprehensive income, or
  - fair value through profit or loss

on the basis of both:

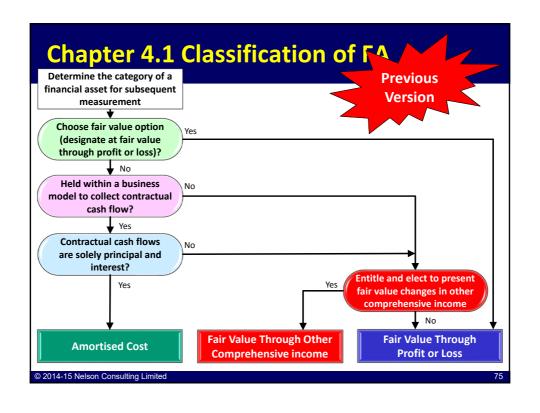
- a) the entity's **business model** for managing the financial assets; and
- b) the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset. (para. 4.1.1)

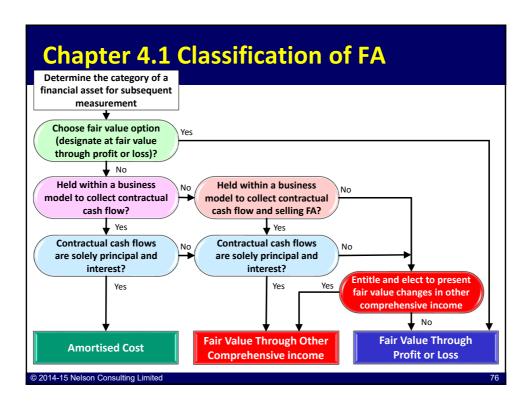
**Amortised Cost** 

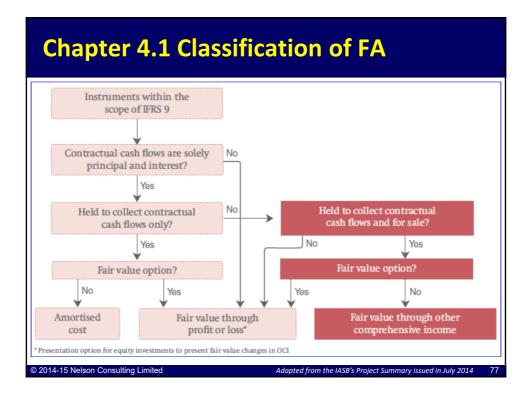
**Fair Value Through Other** Comprehensive income

Fair Value Through **Profit or Loss** 

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# **Chapter 4.1 Classification of FA**

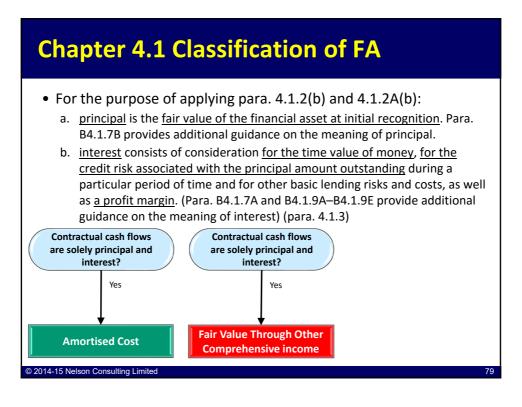
- A financial asset shall be measured <u>at fair value through other</u> <u>comprehensive income</u> if both of the following conditions are met:
  - a. the financial asset is held within <u>a business model</u> whose objective is achieved by both Held within a business
    - collecting model to collect contractual cash flow and selling FA?

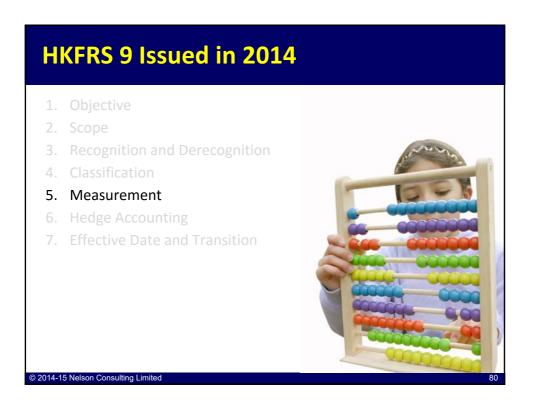
      flows and selling financial assets, and
  - b. the <u>contractual terms</u> of the financial asset give rise <u>on specified dates to cash flows</u> that are <u>solely payments of principal and interest</u> on the principal amount outstanding.
    - Para. B4.1.1–B4.1.26 provide guidance on how to apply these conditions.
       (para. 4.1.2A) Fair Value Through Other

**Comprehensive income** 

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# **Chapter 5 Measurement**

### **Initial measurement**

- Except for trade receivables within the scope of para. 5.1.3,
  - at initial recognition, an entity shall measure a financial asset or financial liability

# + Transaction Cost

Initial Measurement
Fair Value

#### • at its fair value

- plus or minus, in the case of a financial asset or financial liability not at fair value through profit or loss, <u>transaction costs</u> that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of the financial asset or financial liability. (para. 5.1.1)
- However, if the <u>fair value</u> of the financial asset or financial liability <u>at initial recognition differs from the transaction price</u>, an entity shall apply para. B5.1.2A. (para. 5.1.1A)

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# **Chapter 5 Measurement**

## **Subsequent Measurement of Financial Assets**

- After initial recognition, an entity shall measure a financial asset in accordance with para. 4.1.1–4.1.5 at:
  - a. amortised cost;
  - b. fair value through other comprehensive income; or
  - c. fair value through profit or loss. (para. 5.2.1)

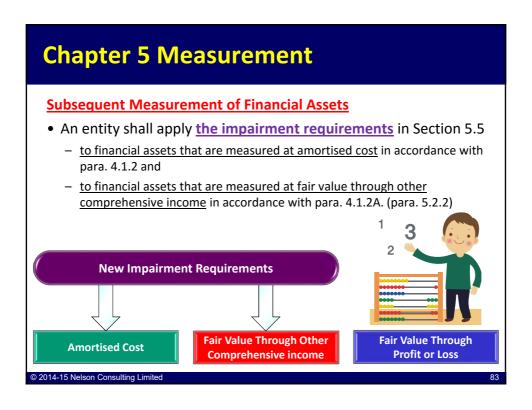


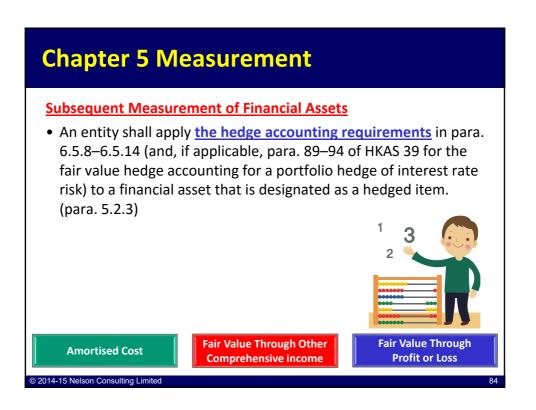
**Amortised Cost** 

Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive income

Fair Value Through
Profit or Loss

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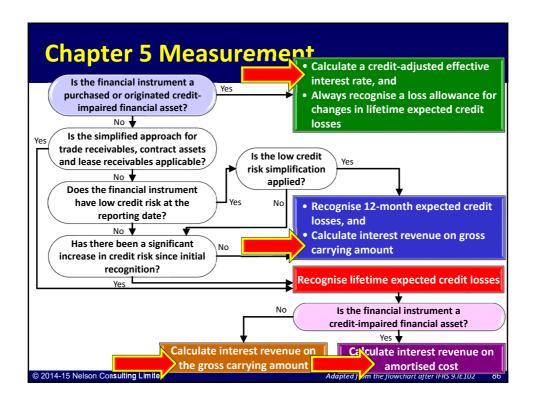


# **Chapter 5 Measurement**

#### **Amortised Cost Measurement on Financial Assets**

- <u>Interest revenue</u> shall be calculated by using <u>the effective</u> <u>interest method</u> (see Appendix A and para. B5.4.1–B5.4.7).
  - This shall be calculated by <u>applying the <u>effective interest rate</u> to the <u>gross</u> <u>carrying amount of a financial asset</u> except for:
    </u>
    - a. purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets
      - For those financial assets, the entity shall apply the creditadjusted effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset from initial recognition.
    - b. <u>financial assets that are not purchased or originated credit-impaired</u> <u>financial assets but subsequently **have become credit-impaired financial assets**</u>
      - For those financial assets, the entity shall <u>apply the effective</u> interest rate to <u>the amortised cost</u> of the financial asset in subsequent reporting periods. (para. 5.4.1)

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# **Chapter 5.5 Impairment**



## **Topics Covered**

- 1. Recognition of Expected Credit Losses
  - General approach
  - Determining significant increases in credit risk
  - Modified financial assets
  - Purchased or originated creditimpaired financial assets
- Simplified Approach for Trade Receivables, Contract Assets and Lease Receivables
- 3. Measurement of Expected Credit Losses

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# **Chapter 5.5 Impairment**

## Recognition of Expected Credit Losses – General Approach

- An entity shall recognise a loss allowance for expected credit losses on
  - a <u>financial asset</u> that is measured in accordance with para. 4.1.2 or 4.1.2A,
  - a lease receivable,
  - a contract asset or
  - a <u>loan commitment</u> and a <u>financial guarantee</u> <u>contract</u> to which the impairment requirements apply in accordance with para. 2.1(g), 4.2.1(c) or 4.2.1(d). (para. 5.5.1)

## HKFRS 9 defines expected credit losses as:

 The <u>weighted average</u> of <u>credit losses</u> with the <u>respective risks of a default occurring as</u> the weights.



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# **Chapter 5.5 Impairment**

## Recognition of Expected Credit Losses - General Approach

## HKFRS 9 defines **credit losses** as:

- The difference between
  - <u>all contractual cash flows that are due to an entity</u> in accordance with the contract and
  - all the cash flows that the entity expects to receive

(i.e. all cash shortfalls), <u>discounted at the original effective interest rate</u> (or credit-adjusted effective interest rate for purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets).

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# **Chapter 5.5 Impairment**

#### Recognition of Expected Credit Losses – General Approach

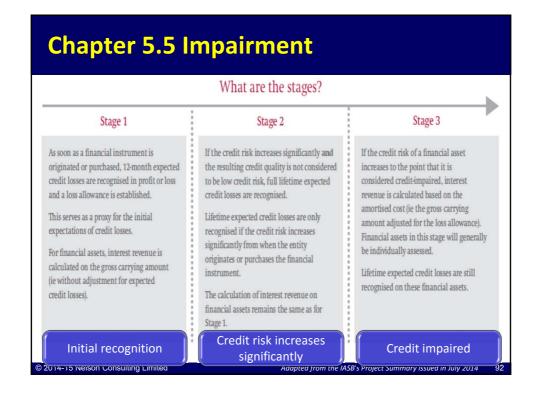
## HKFRS 9 defines credit losses as:

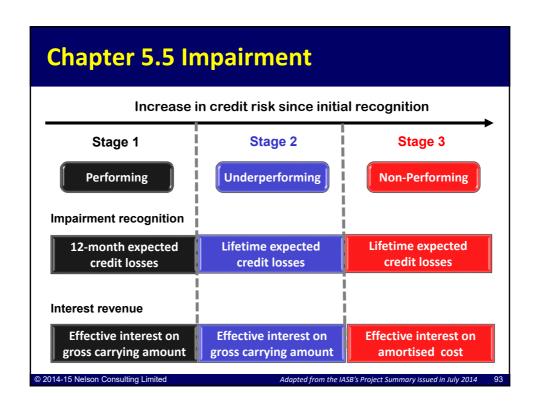
- An entity shall estimate cash flows by <u>considering all contractual terms</u> of the financial instrument (for example, prepayment, extension, call and similar options) through the expected life of that financial instrument.
- The cash flows that are considered shall <u>include cash flows from the sale of</u> <u>collateral held or other credit enhancements</u> that are integral to the contractual terms.
- There is a <u>presumption</u> that the expected life of a financial instrument can be <u>estimated reliably</u>.
- However, in those rare cases when it is not possible to reliably estimate the
   expected life of a financial instrument, the entity shall use the remaining
   contractual term of the financial instrument.

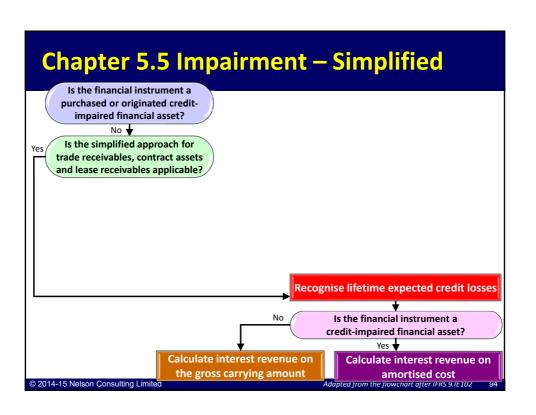
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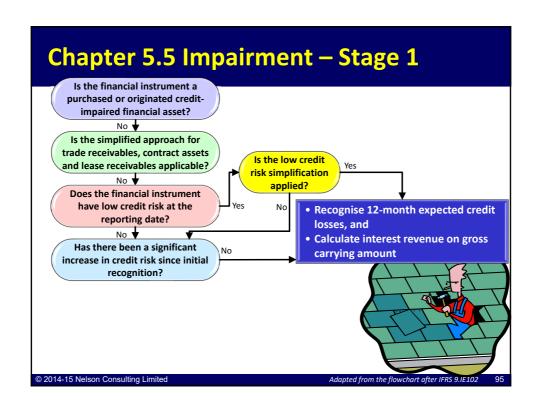
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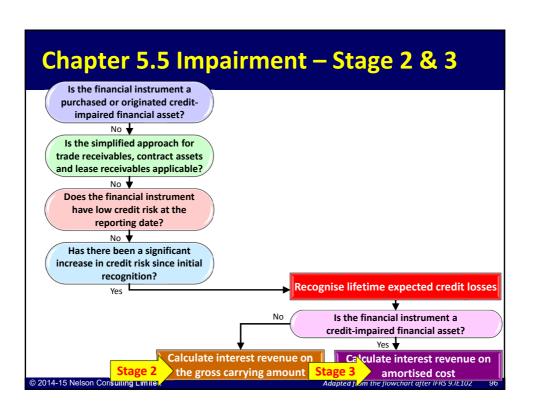
# Chapter 5.5 Impairment Recognition of Expected Credit Losses – General Approach HKFRS 9 defines • Lifetime expected credit losses as: • The expected credit losses that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument. • 12-month expected credit losses as: • The portion of lifetime expected credit losses that represent the expected credit losses that result from default events on a financial instrument that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date.

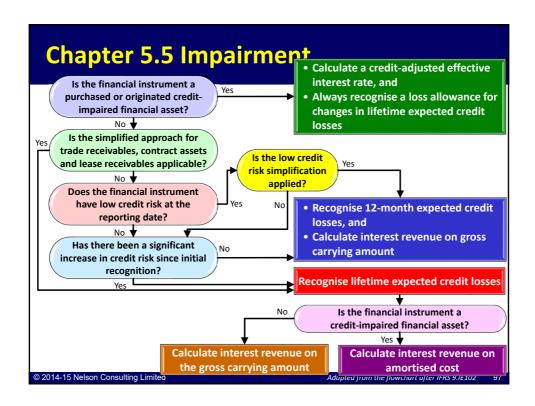


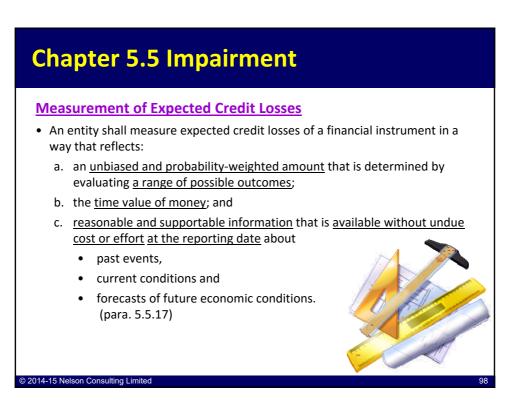












# **Chapter 5.5 Impairment**

**Example** 

## **Amortised Cost on Low Interest Loan**

- Advance Finance Inc. granted a 3-year loan of \$50,000 to an important new customer in 1 Jan. 2018.
  - The interest rate on the loan is 4%
  - The current market lending rates for similar loans is 6%
- At initial recognition, Entity A recognised \$47,327.
- End of first year, the amortised cost was \$48,167.
- The repayment schedule:

	Balance b/f	Effective interest (6%)	Interest received (4%)	Balance c/f
31.12.2018	\$ 47,327	\$ 2,840	(\$ 2,000)	\$ 48,167
31.12.2019	\$ 48,167	\$ 2,890	(\$ 2,000)	\$ 49,057
31.12.2020	\$ 49,057	\$ 2,943	(\$ 2,000)	\$ 50,000

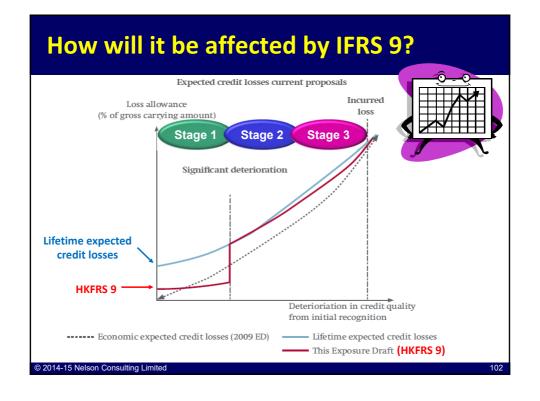
• At 2 Jan. 2019, Advance agreed a loan restructure, and waived all the interest payments in 2019 and 2020.

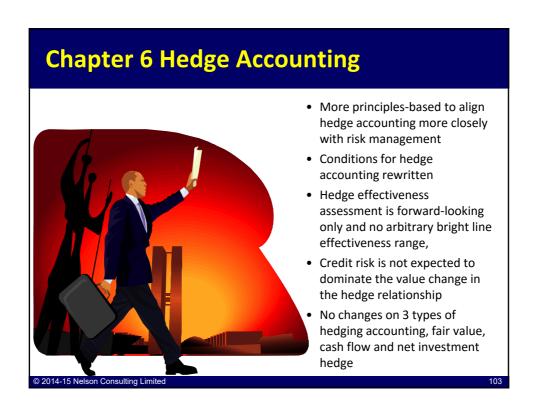
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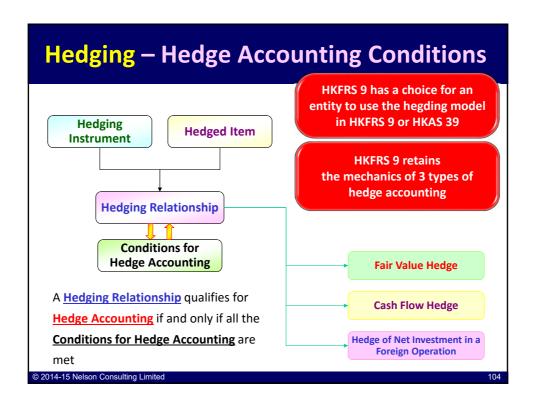
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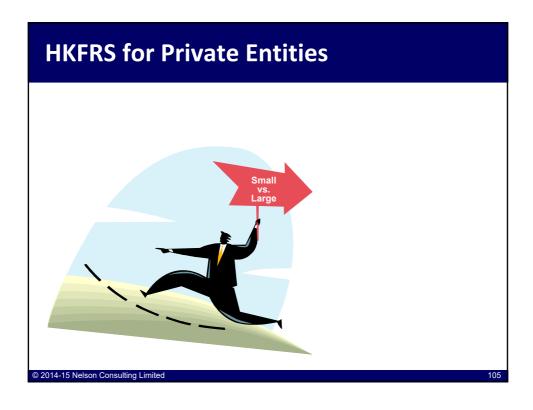
	Chapter 5.5 Impairment				
				Example	
		Cash to be received as estimated at 2.1.2019	Discount factor	Present value	
	31.12.2019	\$ 0	1 / (1 + 6%)1	\$0	
	31.12.2020	\$ 50,000	1/(1+6%)2	<u>\$ 44,500</u>	
	Carrying amou	nt (per the balance as at 31.1	.2.2019)	\$ 48,167	
		of estimated future cash flow ve interest rate as at 2.1.2019		44,500	
	Impairment lo	SS		\$ 3,667	
	Dr Impairme	nt loss (in income statement)	\$3	,667	
		ance on impairment loss natively, Loans and receivable	es)	\$3,667	
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#### How will it be affected by HKFRS 9? **Example Amortised Cost on Low Interest Loan** • Advance Finance Inc. granted a 3-year loan of \$50,000 to an important new customer in 1 Jan. 2018. The interest rate on the loan is 4% - The current market lending rates for similar loans is 6% Stage 1 • At initial recognition, Entity A recognised \$47,327. • End of first year, the amortised cost was \$48,167. Stage 2? • The repayment schedule: Balance b/f Effective interest (6%) Interest received (4%) Balance c/f \$ 48,167 31.12.2018 \$ 47,327 (\$ 2,000) \$ 2,840 31.12.2019 \$48,167 \$ 2,890 (\$ 2,000) \$49,057 \$ 49,057 (\$ 2,000) \$50,000 31.12.2020 \$ 2,943 • At 2 Jan. 2019, Advance agreed a loan restructure, and Stage 3? waived all the interest payments in 2019 and 2020. 2014-15 Nelson Consulting Limited

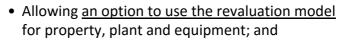








# **Key Changes (HKICPA Update No. 175)**



- Replacing the modified text in section 29 Income
   <u>Tax</u> of HKFRS for PE with the revised section 29
   of the amendments to the IFRS for SMEs.
  - As a result of this change, the recognition and measurement requirements for deferred income taxes of HKFRS for PE, IFRS for SMEs and IAS 12 *Income Taxes* are now aligned.
- The other amendments
  - clarify the existing requirements or add supporting guidance,
  - instead of changing the underlying requirements in the standard.



# SME-FRF and FRS and Co. Ord. (Cap. 622)



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# **Scope – HK Incorporated Entity**

- The new HK Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622) ("new CO")
  - becomes effective on 3 March 2014,
  - contains an <u>optional reporting exemption</u> for certain private companies and companies limited by guarantee which satisfy the conditions set out in section 359 of the new CO.
- The Small and Medium-sized Entity Financial Reporting
   Framework and Financial Reporting Standard which are <u>effective</u> for annual periods beginning on or after 3 March 2014 (the "SME-FRF and FRS (2014)")
  - are the accounting standards issued by the HKICPA that are to be followed in accordance with section 380(4) by those HK incorporated companies which are entitled to, and decide to, take advantage of this reporting exemption in the new CO (SME-FRF para. 1)



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# Scope - Non-HK Incorporated

- In accordance with para. 23 of the SME-FRF (2014), an entity
  which is not a company incorporated under either the new CO or
  the predecessor CO (Cap. 32), subject to any specific
  requirements imposed by the law of the entity's place of
  incorporation and subject to its constitution,
  - qualifies for reporting under the SME-FRF when the entity meets the same requirements that a HK incorporated entity is required to meet under section 359 of the new CO (SME-FRF para. 2)



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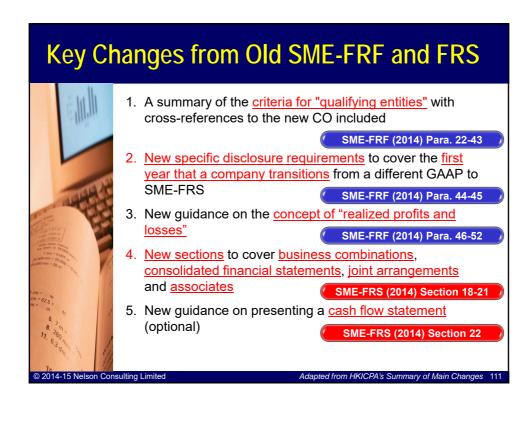
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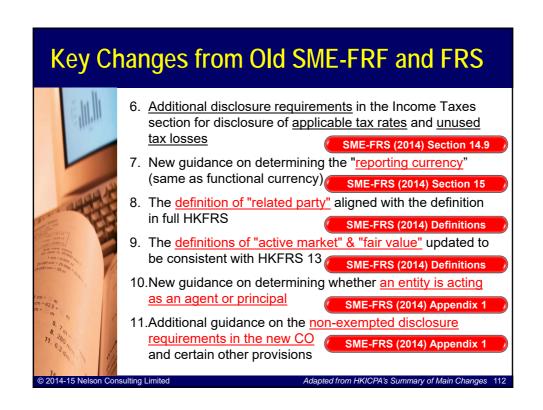
# **Scope – Effective Date**

- · Consistent with section 358 of the new CO,
  - this revised SME-FRF <u>becomes effective</u> for a <u>Qualifying Entity's financial</u> statements that <u>cover a period beginning on or after 3 March 2014</u>, the commencement date of the new CO
- Earlier application of this revised SME-FRF is <u>not permitted</u> (SME-FRF para. 53)



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- Follows the new CO with some further explanations on "Reporting Exemption" for easy reference
- Meeting the size tests in the first year that the new CO applies
  - In accordance with sub-section (2) of each of sections 361 to 366 of the new CO (as applicable), the entity will qualify for the reporting exemption for the first financial year beginning on or after 3 March 2014 if it meets the relevant size tests:
    - (a) in that first financial year; and/or
    - (b) in the immediately preceding financial year.
  - If the entity qualifies in the first financial year in accordance with the above, it will continue to qualify until it is disqualified in accordance with sub-section (4) (as set out in para. 32 of SME-FRS).
     (SME-FRF para. 30)

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# **Criteria for Qualifying Entities**

- Meeting the size tests in all subsequent financial years
  - In accordance with sub-section (3) of each of ss. 361 to 366 of the new CO (as applicable), an entity which was previously disqualified on the grounds of its size
    - will need to meet the size tests for two consecutive reporting periods, before it will qualify for the reporting exemption in the third reporting period, regardless of its size in that period (SME-FRF para. 31)

Previously disqualified	Meet the size test	Can use reporting exemption
2015	×	×
2016	$\sqrt{}$	×
2017	$\sqrt{}$	×
2018	×	$\sqrt{}$
2019	×	$\sqrt{}$



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- Meeting the size tests in all subsequent financial years
  - In accordance with sub-section (4) of each of ss. 361 to 363, or sub-section (5) of each of ss. 364 to 366, of the new CO (as applicable), where an entity has previously qualified for the reporting exemption in terms of its size,
    - the entity will <u>continue to qualify for the reporting exemption</u> even when it no longer meets the relevant size tests, unless the entity <u>has failed the size tests</u> <u>for two consecutive reporting periods</u>
    - it will then fail to qualify for the reporting exemption in the third reporting period, regardless of its size in that period. (SME-FRF para. 32)

Previously qualified	Meet the size test	Can use reporting exemption
2015	√	√
2016	×	√
2017	×	√
2018	√	×



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**Criteria for Qualifying Entities** 

- An <u>exception to this two year grace period for</u> <u>losing entitlement</u> is where a new company enters the group.
  - In this case, in accordance with sub-section (4) of each of sections 364 to 366 of the new CO (as applicable),
    - <u>if the new subsidiary</u> is such that the group <u>fails the</u> <u>size tests in that year</u>,
      - the group will no longer be eligible for the reporting exemption in the year in which the new company enters the group (SME-FRF para.
         33)



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Co	mpany	Qualifying Conditions
A.	A private co. is a "small private co.", or A private co. is the holding co. of a group of "small private companies"	<ul> <li>Size test, meeting any 2 of the following:         <ol> <li>Revenue less than \$100M,</li> <li>Assets less than \$100M,</li> <li>Employee less than 100</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
B.	An eligible private co., or An eligible private co. is the holding co. of a "group of eligible private companies"	<ul> <li>Size test, meeting any 2 of the following:         <ol> <li>Revenue less than \$200M,</li> <li>Assets less than \$200M,</li> <li>Employee less than 100</li> </ol> </li> <li>75% members' approval without any member objection</li> </ul>
C.	A "small guarantee co.", or A guarantee co. is the holding co. of a "group of small guarantee companies"	➤ Size test, revenue less than \$25M
D.	Option similar to s. 141D of Cap. 32	> S. 359(1)(b)

# **Criteria for Qualifying Entities**

- <u>Size tests for group</u> of small guarantee companies, small private companies, and eligible private companies
  - each company in the group must meet the size tests;
     and
  - the aggregate amounts for the group in total must meet the size tests (SME-FRF para. 35, 37 ad 39)



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### Shareholder Approval

 In accordance with section 360 of the new CO, the shareholder approval requirements for the larger <u>"eligible" category of private</u> <u>companies or groups</u> are as follows:



- a) to gain exemption as a larger "eligible" private company at least 75% of all the members must pass a resolution at a general meeting that the company is to fall within the reporting exemption for the financial year, with none objecting; and
- b) to gain exemption for a group of larger "eligible" private companies <u>all</u> the companies in the group individually, as well as the parent of the group, must have obtained the necessary shareholder approval
  - except for those subsidiaries within the group that fall within the "small private company" category

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# **Criteria for Qualifying Entities**

#### Shareholder Approval

- The 75% vote is calculated as a <u>percentage</u>
   of the entire shareholding of a company,
   not simply as a percentage of the
   shareholders who attend the general meeting.
  - ting.
- The resolution is defeated if any member objects either
  - · at the meeting or
  - at <u>any time by giving notice in writing</u> to the company, provided that the written notice is given <u>at least 6 months before the end</u> <u>of the financial year to which the objection relates</u>. (SME-FRF para. 42)
- For s. 359(1)(b) (i.e. new version of s.141D) exemption, in order to qualify it,
  - The company obtain 100% approval from their shareholders each year
  - This approval must be in writing and can only be given for one year at a time (SME-FRF para. 43)

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- Shareholder Approval
  - The New CO FAQ Q8 of the Companies Registry also clarifies that:
    - Sections 360(1) and (2) require a
       resolution passed by the members
       holding at least 75% of the voting rights in the company, i.e. <u>75% of</u>
       the voting rights of all members of the company.

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# **Criteria for Qualifying Entities**

- A parent with one or more subsidiaries incorporated outside HK
  - The New CO FAQ Q5 of the Companies Registry clarifies that:
    - To fall within the reporting exemption as a group, <u>each company in the group must be a company formed and registered under the CO (Cap.</u> 622) or a former CO.
    - Take the example of a group of small private companies, to qualify as a group, sections 364(1) & (2) and section 1(7) of Schedule 3 require that each company in the group be qualified as a small private company.
      - Under section 361, a company qualifies as a small private company if it is a
        private company formed and registered under the CO or a former CO and
        the specified conditions are met. A company incorporated outside Hong
        Kong cannot be a small private company within section 361.
      - Hence section 1(7) of Schedule 3 <u>cannot be satisfied</u> if any company in the group is <u>not a Hong Kong company</u>.
    - The same rationale applies to a group of eligible private companies and a group of small guarantee companies respectively under sections 365 and 366.

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- Is there any requirement to deliver a copy of the agreement (Section 359(1)(b)(iii)) or the resolution (Sections 360(1) and (2)) to the Registrar of Companies for registration?
  - The New CO FAQ Q9 of the Companies Registry clarifies that:
    - Yes.
    - A company must deliver a copy of
      - an agreement made for the purposes of section 359(1)(b)(iii) or
      - a resolution passed for the purposes of section 360(1) or (2)
         to the Registrar for registration respectively within 15 days after it is made or passed pursuant to sections 622(1)(e) and (f) of the new CO.



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## **New Sections in SME-FRS**

- New sections to cover <u>business combinations</u>, <u>consolidated financial statements</u>, <u>joint arrangements</u> and associates
  - Section 18 Business Combinations and Goodwill
  - Section 19 Consolidated and Company-level Financial

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Section 20 Investments in Associates

Section 21 Interests in Joint Ventures and Other Forms of Joint

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# **Guidance on Non-Exempted Disclosure**

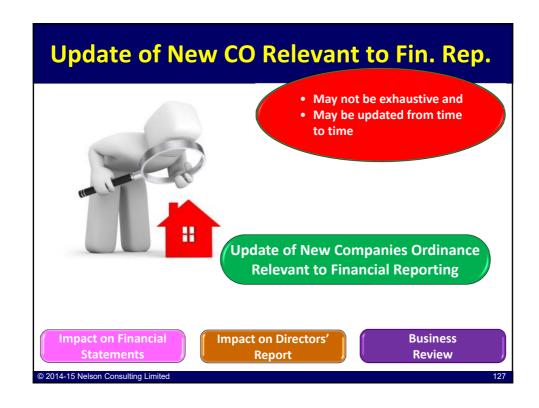


- Appendix 1 Section D
  - As explained in para. 21 of the SME-FRF, unless specifically exempt from a particular requirement,
    - the financial statements and directors' report prepared by a qualifying entity are required to <u>follow the same</u> <u>requirements in the new CO</u> as apply to full financial statements and directors' reports.
  - These <u>non-exempt disclosure requirements</u> which apply under the new CO are set out below:
    - S. 383 (disclosure of directors' emoluments)
    - Sch. 4 Part 1.1 (aggregate amount of authorized loans)
    - Sch. 4 Part 1.2 (company-level balance sheet disclosed in notes)
    - Sch. 4 Part 1.3 (subsidiary's financial statements must contain particulars of ultimate parent undertaking)
    - Sch. 4 Part 1.4 (compliance with applicable acc. standards)
    - S. 387 (approved by the directors and signed by 2 directors)

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# Today's Agenda Update of New Companies Ordinance Relevant to Financial Reporting



- Lengthy list of disclosure in Tenth Schedule of the old CO (Cap. 32) fully deleted
- Schedule 4 to the New CO (Cap. 622)
  - Part 1 (for all companies, as also relevant to and discussed in the revised SME-FRS)
  - Part 2 (for companies without reporting exemption): remuneration of auditor
    - 1. Financial statements must state, under a separate heading, the amount of the remuneration of the auditor
    - 2. In this section— remuneration (酬金), in relation to an auditor of a company, includes any sum paid by the company in respect of the auditor's expenses.



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- Reporting exemption under section 359
- Clarifying the financial year and accounting reference period
  - Determination of the financial year of a company which is the same as the accounting reference period
    - Unless exempted under sections 612 or 613, companies are required to hold an AGM within
      - 6 months (for public companies) or
      - 9 months (for private companies or companies limited by guarantee)

after the end of the accounting reference period

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# **Impact on Financial Statements**

- Financial year and accounting reference period
  - Section 367 provides for the beginning and end of a company's <u>first</u> <u>financial year</u> after the new CO comes into operation, and that of subsequent financial years, <u>by reference to a company's first accounting reference period</u>
    - The <u>accounting reference period</u> is the period <u>by reference to which the</u> company's financial statements are to be prepared.
  - Every subsequent accounting reference period is
    - a period of 12 months beginning immediately after the end of the previous accounting reference period and ending on its accounting reference date,
      - unless it is shortened or extended by <u>alteration of the accounting</u> <u>reference date</u> (section 368(3))

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- Accounting reference date
  - Defined in section 370
    - It can be altered by a directors' resolution pursuant to section 371.
    - In the case of <u>alteration of an accounting reference date</u> of <u>a public company</u> or <u>a company limited by guarantee</u>,
      - notice of the new accounting reference date must be delivered to the Registrar for registration within 15 days after the date of the directors' resolution (section 371(2))

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# **Impact on Financial Statements**

- Disclosure of emoluments and other matters relating to directors
  - Section 383 requires the information prescribed by the relevant Regulation about the following items to be disclosed in the notes:
    - a. the directors' emoluments;
    - b. the directors' retirement benefits;
    - c. payments made or benefit provided in respect of the <u>termination of the</u> <u>service of directors</u> (in the directors or other capacity while directors);
    - d. <u>loans, quasi-loans and other dealings</u> in favour of (i) directors of the company and a holding company of the company; (ii) bodies corporate controlled by such directors; (iii) entities connected with such directors;
    - e. <u>material interests of directors in transactions, arrangements or contracts</u> entered into by the company or another company in the same group of companies;

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- Disclosure of emoluments and other matters relating to directors
  - The relevant Regulation (for section 383) is the Companies (Disclosure of Information about Benefits of Directors) Regulation (Cap. 622G)
  - In addition, section 1 of Schedule 4 to the new CO requires that the financial statements for a financial year must contain, <u>under separate</u> <u>headings</u>, the <u>aggregate amount of any outstanding loans</u> made under the authority of sections 280 and 281 during the financial year.
    - While directors are explicitly excluded from the scope of section 281, loans made to them <u>for the purposes of employee share schemes</u> may fall under the scope of section 280.
  - In the case of a holding company that has to prepare consolidated financial statements and a consolidated directors' report, there is no requirement to make the disclosures on a consolidated basis.

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• These disclosures are <u>limited to the directors of the holding company only</u>.

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# **Impact on Financial Statements**

Section 380(4): Legal backing to HKFRSs (with pros and cons)

Section 380. General requirements for financial statements

- (4) The financial statements for a financial year must also comply with—
  - (a) any other requirements of this Ordinance in relation to the financial statements; and
  - (b) the accounting standards applicable to the financial statements.

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- Exemptions from preparing consolidated financial statements
  - Section 379(3)(a): a wholly owned subsidiary of another body corporate
  - Section 379(3)(b): if-
    - a partially owned subsidiary of another body corporate;
    - at least 6 months before year end, notify the members in writing of the intention not to prepare consolidated statements for that year only; and
    - <u>3 months before year end, no member has responded a written request</u> for the preparation of consolidated statements for that year

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# **Impact on Financial Statements**

- Can a parent which is a wholly owned subsidiary of another body corporate prepare consolidated financial statements instead of company level financial statements?
  - The New CO FAQ Q13 of the Companies Registry clarifies that:
    - The law does not require the wholly owned subsidiary to prepare company level financial statements and consolidated financial statements for the same financial year.
    - If the holding company is a wholly owned subsidiary of another body corporate at the end of the financial year, the company is not required to prepare consolidated financial statements.
    - However, the company may prepare consolidated statements so long as the consolidated statements comply with sections 380 and 383 and in every respect with the accounting requirements applicable to consolidated statements.
    - In such event, the company is not required to prepare company level financial statements.

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- Can a parent which is a wholly owned subsidiary of another body corporate prepare consolidated financial statements instead of company level financial statements?
  - The New CO FAQ Q13 of the Companies Registry clarifies that:
    - If the consolidated statements <u>do not comply in every respect with the accounting requirements</u> applicable to consolidated statements, then the company is required to prepare company level financial statements.
    - In such event, any additional consolidated statements or consolidated financial information that the company chooses to prepare in respect of the full financial year will be regarded as "non statutory accounts" within the meaning of section 436 and the requirements in the new CO in relation to financial statements, for example, the auditing, laying, sending and filing of financial statements, apply to the company level financial statements and not the consolidated statements.

**Accounting Bulletin 6 addresses section 436** 

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# **New CO Impact on Financial Reporting**

- Terminology updated to HKFRSs
  - Accounts
  - Group accounts
  - Profit and loss account
  - Balance sheet
- → Financial statements
- → Consolidated financial statements
- → Statement of comprehensive income
- → Statement of financial position

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# **Impact on Directors' Report**

- The disclosure requirements for the directors' report under the new CO (Cap. 622) are contained in the following locations:
  - a. Sections 388 to 391 and 543(2)
  - b. Schedule 5 "Contents of Directors' Report: Business Review" (unless exempt under section 388(3)); and
  - c. Companies (Directors' Report) Regulation (Cap. 622D)
- In addition, section 391 sets out the requirements relating to the approval and signature of the directors' report.

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# **Impact on Directors' Report**

- Changes in the directors' report summarised as follows:
  - The <u>names of all the directors in the group</u> must be disclosed in a <u>consolidated directors' report</u>, and the disclosure should extend to the date of approving the directors' report
  - Disclosure of significant transactions, arrangements or contracts entered into by the company, where a director has a material interest, has been moved to the financial statements and will therefore be subject to audit
  - New disclosure requirements:
    - reasons for a director resigning or not seeking re-appointment, if related to the affairs of the company;
    - permitted indemnity provisions; and
    - equity-linked agreements

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# **Impact on Directors' Report**

- Changes in the directors' report summarised as follows:
  - Certain disclosure requirements have been dropped from the directors' report (as moved to notes to financial statements)
  - Unless the company is exempt, a <u>new "business review" section</u> must be included in the directors' report

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## **Business Revie**

Exemption for business review and election of SME-FRS can be an independent issue

- Section 388(3) sets out 3 situations under which a company is <u>exempt from including a business review</u> in the directors' report in compliance with Schedule 5. These are:
  - a. the company falls within the reporting exemption;
  - b. the company is <u>a wholly owned subsidiary of another body corporate</u> in the financial year; or
  - c. the company is a <u>private company</u> that does not fall within the reporting exemption for the financial year, and <u>a special resolution</u> is passed by members to the effect that the company is not to prepare a business review required by that Schedule for the financial year.
    - Section 388(4) requires that the resolution must be passed at least 6 months before the year end
    - Section 622(2) requires the delivery of a copy of the resolution to the Companies Registrar for registration within 15 days after it is made or passed

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## **Business Review - Contents**

- Schedule 5 "Contents of Directors' Report: Business Review":
  - A directors' report for a financial year must contain a business review that consists of
    - a. a fair review of the company's business;
    - b. a description of the <u>principal risks and uncertainties</u> facing the company;
    - c. particulars of <u>important events</u> affecting the company that have <u>occurred since the end of the financial year</u>; and
    - d. an indication of likely future development in the company's business.

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## **Business Review - Contents**

- Schedule 5 "Contents of Directors' Report: Business Review":
  - 2. To the extent necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the company's business, a business review must include
    - a. an analysis using financial key performance indicators;
      - key performance indicators (關鍵表現指標) means <u>factors</u> by reference to which the <u>development</u>, <u>performance</u> or <u>position</u> of the company's business <u>can be measured effectively</u>.
    - b. a discussion on
      - i. the company's environmental policies and performance; and
      - ii. the company's <u>compliance with the relevant laws and regulations</u> that have a significant impact on the company; and
    - c. an account of the company's key relationships with its employees, customers and suppliers and others that have a significant impact on the company and on which the company's success depends.

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