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New UK GAAP FRS 101/102 Update

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Webinar overview

- UK GAAP now and in the future
- Main features of FRS 101 *Reduced Disclosure Framework*
- FRS 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* – notable differences
- How to prepare for a transition to FRS 102



UK GAAP now and in the future

- UK GAAP undergoing sweeping changes as we move onto IFRS-based frameworks.
- FRS 102 for medium-sized and large companies comes into mandatory effect for accounting periods **commencing on or after 1 January 2015** (earlier adoption permissible).
- Listed and AIM-listed companies will still report under EU-adopted IFRS.



UK GAAP now and in the future

- UK GAAP this year will be structured as follows:
 - FRS 100 *Application of Financial Reporting Requirements*
 - FRS 101 *Reduced Disclosure Framework*
 - FRS 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland*
 - FRS 103 *Insurance Contracts*
 - FRS 104 *Interim Financial Reporting*
 - FRS 105 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime*



Main features of FRS 101

- FRS 101 offers a reduced disclosure framework for qualifying subsidiaries reporting under IFRS.
- Qualifying entity is one which:
 - Is a member of a group where the parent prepares publicly available consolidated accounts which are intended to give a true and fair view; and
 - The subsidiary is included in the consolidated accounts.
- Charities may not take advantage of FRS 101.



Main features of FRS 101

- Disclosure exemptions under FRS 101 in the subsidiary accounts include:
 - Cash flow statement
 - Share-based payment transactions
 - IFRSs issued but not effective
 - Impairment
 - Business combinations
 - Discontinued operations
 - Financial instruments
 - Fair value measurement
 - Related parties
 - Comparative information
 - Capital management



Main features of FRS 101

- For disclosures which the subsidiary takes exemption, equivalent disclosures must be made in the group accounts.
- Objective, therefore, is to reduce the disclosure levels in the individual financial statements of the subsidiary.



FRS 102 – notable differences

- FRS 102 is based on *IFRS For SMEs*.
- Introduces new accounting methodologies and disclosure requirements.
- Small entities are to be brought under the scope of FRS 102 (with disclosure reductions) for accounting periods **commencing on or after 1 January 2016**.
- Notable differences between 'old' GAAP and FRS 102 include:



FRS 102 – notable differences

- Cash flow statement
- Deferred tax
- Investment properties
- Financial instruments
- Stock
- Employee benefits

FRS 102 – notable differences: cash flow statement

- FRS 1 contains 9 cash flow cash classifications.
- Section 7 of FRS 102 only contains 3 classifications, being:
 - Operating activities
 - Investing activities
 - Financing activities
- Hence significant presentational differences – e.g. corporation tax paid = operating activities unless some of the corporation tax can be attributed to investing/financing activities.

FRS 102 – notable differences: deferred tax

- The timing difference approach to deferred tax calculations is carried over into FRS 102 but under a timing difference **plus** approach.
- The ‘plus’ part builds on existing deferred tax requirements but removes some of the exemptions contained in FRS 19, hence under Section 29 deferred tax will now be applied to:
 - Revaluations of non-monetary assets (including investment property)
 - Fair values in business combinations
 - Unremitted earnings

FRS 102 – notable differences: investment property

- Fair value gains and losses on investment property go straight to P&L rather than a revaluation reserve.
- Deferred tax is calculated on revalued investment property.
- No exemption from treating property rented out to group members in FRS 102 as is found in SSAP 19.
- Can treat investment property as property, plant and equipment if obtaining fair values results in 'undue cost or effort' although this is likely to be rare.

FRS 102 – notable differences: financial instruments

- Two sections in FRS 102: Section 11 *Basic Financial Instruments* and Section 12 *Other Financial Instruments Issues*.
- Basic loans will be accounted for using the amortised cost method and effective interest rate method (different than under current methods).
- Complex instruments (e.g. derivatives) are recognised on the balance sheet under FRS 102, hence a company entering into forward foreign currency contracts will need to recognise a derivative on the balance sheet (not done under current GAAP).



FRS 102 – notable differences: stock

- Lower of cost and NRV principles still carried over into FRS 102 (although NRV = estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell).
- LIFO method of stock valuation is prohibited under FRS 102 and hence an alternative method needs to be used by a reporting entity adopting this method.

FRS 102 – notable differences: employee benefits

- Accruals need to be made for short-term employee benefits accrued by the balance sheet date but not paid until the subsequent accounting period.
- Typical example of this = unpaid holiday pay.

How to prepare for a transition to FRS 102

- Understand the main differences between 'old' and 'new' GAAP.
- Undertake an impact assessment for your clients, including:
 - Reviewing accounting policies to ensure they are FRS 102-compliant
 - Considering the impact of a transition on previously declared dividends
 - Considering any loan covenants which may be in existence
 - Considering the tax implications (HMRC Overview Paper)

How to prepare for a transition to FRS 102

- FRS 102 must be applied as far back as the **date of transition**.
 - 31 December 2015 = year-end
 - 31 December 2014 = comparative year
 - 1 January 2014 = start of the comparative year
 - 1 January 2014 = date of transition
- Prepare an opening FRS 102 balance sheet as at 1 January 2014 (e.g. essentially adjusting the 2013 closing trial balance).

How to prepare for a transition to FRS 102

- Smaller companies which will be affected by FRS 102 Section 1A and FRS 105 will also have to apply the new standards as far back as the DOT.
- Need to advise clients going to be affected that previously reported accounts are likely to change as a result.
- Understand the tax implications of a transition.
- Any errors noted during the transition CANNOT be corrected as a transitional adjustment – must be distinguished from transitional adjustments.

How to prepare for a transition to FRS 102

- Within Section 35 *Transition to this FRS* are four mandatory exemptions from retrospective application which must be applied.
- In addition there are 18 optional exemptions from retrospective application and you can take advantage of all, none or some of them (e.g. revaluation as deemed cost on transition).



Additional information

- Monthly articles on FRS 102 and the new small companies' regime are written in the AAT's *CPD Interactive* zone on the website.
- Small company FRS 102 related issues are being covered in the Annual Conference on Friday 15 May 2015 by myself.



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