

Changes in this edition

This section is a brief guide to the changes incorporated in this edition since the publication of *A Guide through IFRS® Standards 2016* (the Green Book).

Introduction

The consolidated text of IFRS Standards in this edition is the latest version as at 1 July 2017. In some cases, the effective date of the consolidated text is later than 1 July 2017. This edition does not include versions of Standards (or parts of Standards) that are being superseded. The title page of each Standard details its history.

Changes to Standards since 1 July 2016

The following table provides the publication and effective dates of the new Standard (IFRS 17) and amendments to Standards, as well as IFRIC Interpretations consolidated in this edition. IFRS 4 has been superseded by IFRS 17.

Standard/Interpretation/ Amendment issued	When issued	Effective date (early application is possible)	Standards/ Interpretation amended
<i>Transfers of Investment Property</i> (Amendments to IAS 40)	December 2016	1 January 2018	IAS 40
<i>Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2014–2016 Cycle:</i> Amendments to IFRS 12 Amendments to IFRS 1 Amendments to IAS 28	December 2016	1 January 2017 1 January 2018 1 January 2018	IFRS 12 IFRS 1, IFRS 7, IFRS 10, IAS 19 IAS 28
IFRIC® Interpretation 22 <i>Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration</i>	December 2016	1 January 2018	IFRS 1

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IFRS 17 <i>Insurance Contracts</i>	May 2017	1 January 2021 (early application is permitted if IFRS 9 and IFRS 15 are also applied)	IFRS 1, IFRS 3, IFRS 5, IFRS 7, IFRS 9, IFRS 14 (Basis for Conclusions), IFRS 15, IAS 1, IAS 7, IAS 16, IAS 19, IAS 28, IAS 32, IAS 34 (Illustrative Examples), IAS 36, IAS 37, IAS 38, IAS 40, IFRIC 22 (Basis for Conclusions), SIC-27 IFRS 4 is withdrawn
IFRIC [®] Interpretation 23 <i>Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments</i>	June 2017	1 January 2019	IFRS 1

Applying IFRS 9 Financial Instruments with IFRS 4 Insurance Contracts was also issued during the year since 1 July 2016. However, this made amendments to IFRS 4 and so is not included in this edition because IFRS 4 will be superseded by IFRS 17.

New and revised Standards and Interpretations are available to eIFRS subscribers at:
<http://eifrs.ifrs.org/eifrs/PDFArchive?categoryId=71>.

The narrative below, beginning with 'New Standard', further explains the amendments listed in the table.

Other changes

Relevant IFRS Interpretations Committee (Committee) Agenda Decisions published since 1 July 2016 have been added as annotations to IFRS 3, IFRS 9, IFRS 10, IFRS 11, IAS 2, IAS 8, IAS 12, IAS 19, IAS 28, IAS 32, IAS 33, IAS 41 and IFRIC 12. An example published by the Committee as education material to accompany the Agenda Decision on IAS 33 has been reproduced in the Illustrative Examples on IAS 33.

The *Preface to International Financial Reporting Standards* has been updated to reflect changes in the IFRS Foundation's *Constitution*.

The *Glossary* has been updated. Minor editorial corrections to Standards (including necessary updating) have been made; a list of all such corrections is available on the website (<http://www.ifrs.org>).

New Standard

IFRS 17 *Insurance Contracts*

IFRS 17 *Insurance Contracts* applies to: insurance contracts, including reinsurance contracts, issued by an entity; reinsurance contracts held by an entity; and investment contracts with discretionary participation features issued by an entity that issues insurance contracts. An insurance contract is defined as ‘a contract under which one party (the issuer) accepts significant insurance risk from another party (the policyholder) by agreeing to compensate the policyholder if a specified uncertain future event (the insured event) adversely affects the policyholder’.

In the statement of financial position, profitable insurance contracts are measured at the risk-adjusted present value of the future cash flows plus unearned profit for services to be provided under the contract.

Entities recognise profit from a group of insurance contracts over the period the entity provides insurance coverage, and as the entity is released from risk. If a group of contracts is or becomes loss-making, the entity recognises the loss immediately.

Insurance revenue, insurance service expenses, and insurance finance income or expenses are presented separately.

Amendments to a Standard issued as a separate document

***Transfers of Investment Property* (Amendments to IAS 40)**

Transfers of Investment Property (Amendments to IAS 40) clarifies when there is a transfer to, or from, investment property.

Annual Improvements

Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2014–2016 Cycle

Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2014–2016 Cycle contained the following three amendments:

Clarification of the scope of IFRS 12 clarifies that, except for the requirements to disclose summarised financial information, the requirements of IFRS 12 *Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities* apply to interests in other entities classified as held for sale or as discontinued operations in accordance with IFRS 5 *Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations*.

Deletion of short-term exemptions for first-time adopters deletes some short-term exemptions and the related effective date paragraphs from IFRS 1 because these exemptions are no longer applicable.

Measuring an associate or joint venture at fair value clarifies that entities that elect to measure investments in joint ventures and associates at fair value through profit or loss may make this election separately for each associate or joint venture.

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Interpretations issued

IFRIC Interpretation 22 Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration

IFRIC Interpretation 22 *Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration* addresses how to determine the date of the transaction for the purpose of determining the exchange rate to use on initial recognition of an asset, expense or income (or part of it) when derecognising a non-monetary asset or non-monetary liability arising from the payment or receipt of advance consideration in a foreign currency.

IFRIC Interpretation 23 Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments

IFRIC Interpretation 23 *Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments* adds to the requirements in IAS 12 *Income Taxes* by specifying how to reflect the effects of uncertainty in accounting for income taxes when it is unclear how tax law applies to a particular transaction or circumstance, or it is unclear whether a taxation authority will accept an entity's tax treatment.