

Deep Dive on NZ IFRS 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements

Grouping of information in the financial statements

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NZ IFRS 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements



Mandatory date: 1 January 2027

- Replaces NZ IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements when applied
- Impacts all for-profit reporting entities in New Zealand
- Introduces new or enhanced requirements relating to:

Categories and subtotals required in the statement of profit or loss

Deep dive – Jun 2025

Grouping of information in the financial statements



Today's deep dive

Disclosures about management-defined performance measures

Deep dive – Oct 2025

Polling Question 1

Preparers – what is the status of your NZ IFRS 18 preparation?

- A. I have an implementation plan in place
- **B.** I've started thinking about the implications of the new standard on my business
- **C.** I haven't started thinking about it yet



Presentation overview

- Reasons for change
- Materiality judgements
- Roles of the primary financial statements and the notes
- Principles of aggregation and disaggregation
- Presentation and disclosure of operating expenses



Reason for change



Information in the financial statements is sometimes:

- aggregated to the extent that useful information is omitted; or
- disaggregated to the extent that material information is obscured.

Solution

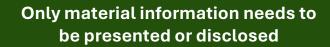
NZ IFRS 18 provides guidance on whether information should be in the primary financial statements or the notes.

NZ IFRS 18 contains guidance for the aggregation and disaggregation of information, as well on the use of meaningful labels.



Opportunity to refresh the presentation and disclosure of information across the financial statements – helping you to enhance your communication with stakeholders

Materiality judgements







Apply the requirements in NZ IFRS 18 paragraphs B1–B5

Unchanged from NZ IAS 1

Materiality

What information to provide

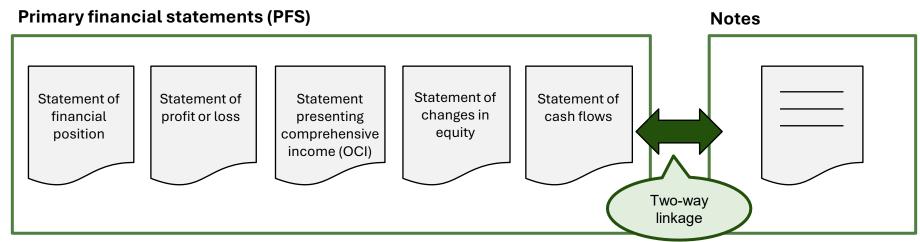
Enhanced guidance

Role of primary financial statements and notes

Where to provide material information

Role of the primary financial statements and notes





Role is to provide **useful structured summaries** of an entity's assets, liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows

Role is to provide further **material information** and supplement the PFS

Role of the primary financial statements



Provide **structured summaries** useful to users for:

Obtaining an understandable overview of assets, liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows

Making comparisons between entities, and between reporting periods for the same entity

Identifying items/areas about which users wish to seek additional information in the notes



Example – separate presentation of restructuring expenses

Understandable overview of expenses

Could help users to understand an increase in total operating expenses for the period

Making comparisons

Could make other line items more comparable to amounts presented in the prior period and to amounts presented by other entities, thereby helping users with trend analyses

Identifying areas where additional information can be found in the notes

When additional information is disclosed in the notes, separate presentation (including cross-reference to the related note) could draw users' attention to it.



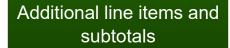
Line items in the primary financial statements

Specified line items in NZ IFRS

Even if described as 'minimum requirements'

Only required if necessary to provide a useful structured summary

But items must be disclosed in the notes if material



Required if necessary to provide a useful structured summary

Must meet certain requirements

- Comprise amounts recognised and measured in accordance with NZ IFRS
- Compatible with the statement structures required by NZ IFRS 18
- Consistent from period to period
- Displayed no more prominently than the totals and subtotals required by NZ IFRS

Mandatory statement structures

PFS	Requirements
Statement of profit or loss	 Classify in operating, investing, financing, income tax and discontinued operations categories Present operating expenses by nature or function (or both) Present mandatory totals and subtotals (operating profit/loss, profit/loss before financing and income taxes, profit or loss) Allocation of profit or loss attributable to owners and non-controlling interests (NCI)
Statement presenting other comprehensive income (OCI)	 Classify income and expenses as follows: those that will be reclassified to profit or loss when specific conditions are met those that will not be reclassified to profit or loss Present profit or loss, OCI and comprehensive income totals Allocation of comprehensive income attributable to owners and NCI

Mandatory statement structures

PFS	Requirements
Statement of financial position	 Present assets and liabilities in separate current/non-current classifications or in order of liquidity (if this provides a more useful structured summary). Present NCI and issued capital and reserves attributable to owners.
Statement of changes in equity	 A reconciliation* between opening and closing carrying amounts, with changes from profit or loss, OCI and transactions with owners in their capacity as owners^
	 The effects of retrospective application or retrospective restatement*
	 Total comprehensive income, showing separate totals attributable to owners and NCI
Statement of cash flows	Report cash flows classified by operating, investing and financing activities.

^{*} for each component

[^] with certain transactions presented separately

Role of the notes

Provide material information necessary:

To enable users to understand the line items presented in the primary financial statements (PFS) To supplement the PFS with additional information to achieve the objective of financial statements



Information specifically required by NZ IFRS – e.g., information about unrecognised contingent assets and liabilities, required by NZ IAS 37

Additional information – when necessary to allow users to understand the effects of transactions and other events and conditions on financial position and performance

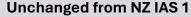
Recap: Materiality and roles of primary FS and notes

Materiality

What information to provide

Role of primary financial statements and notes

Where to provide material information



- Present and disclose material information
- Consider user needs

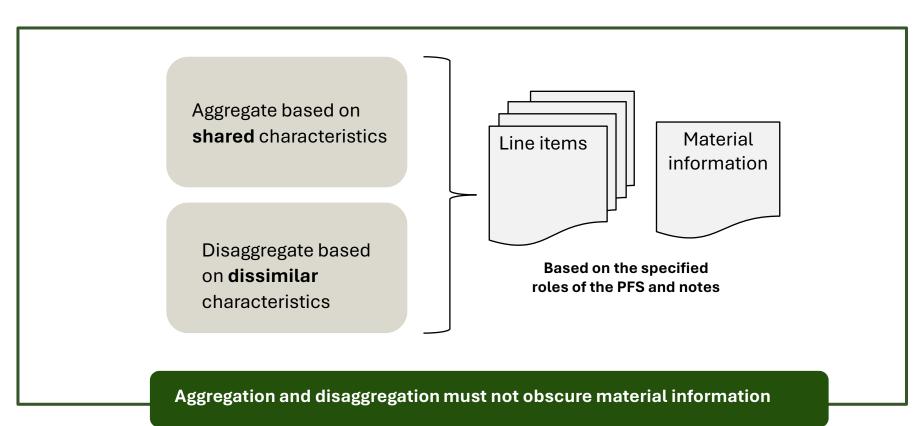
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 Primary FS: Structured summary, considerations for presenting line items



Change in location or aggregation of information?
Opportunity to re-focus on materiality

Principles of aggregation and disaggregation



Basis of aggregation and disaggregation





Use professional judgement when aggregating and disaggregating

Examples of characteristics to consider

Nature Function Frequency

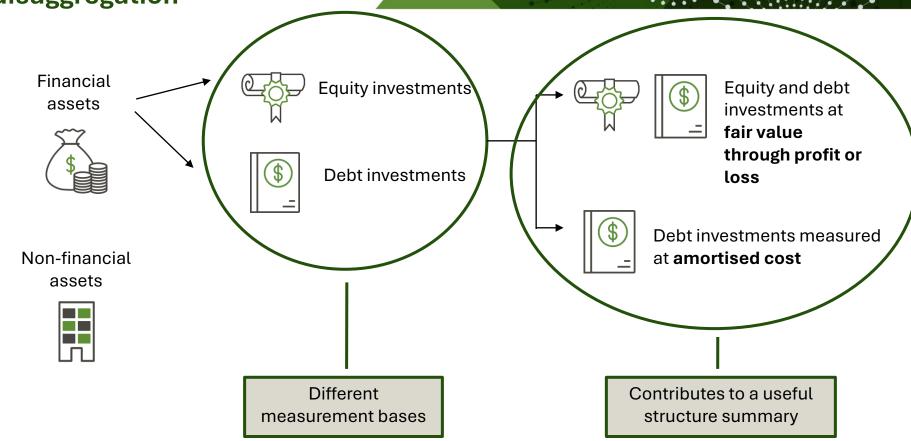
Measurement basis Geographical location Size

Aggregated items in the PFS must have at least one shared characteristic.

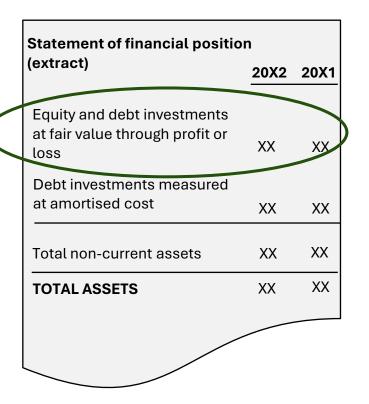
BUT a **single** dissimilar characteristic could result in material information that needs further disaggregation.

Must disaggregate if the resulting information is material.

Example 1 – aggregation and disaggregation



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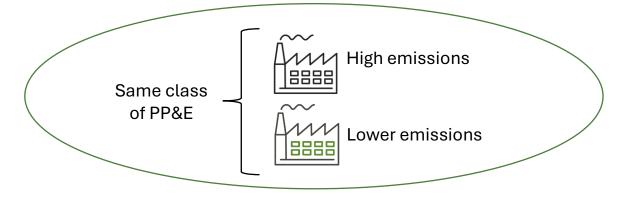
Equity and debt instruments expose the entity to different risks (dissimilar characteristic) – Must consider whether further disaggregation is required:

- in the statement of financial position if required for a useful structured summary OR
- in the notes if the information is material



Example 2 – disaggregation of PP&E





Factors considered

- The size of the PP&E's carrying amount
- The significance of climaterelated transition risks to the entity's operations
- External climate-related qualitative factors

Conclusion

The two types of PP&E have sufficiently dissimilar risk characteristics that disaggregating information about these types of PP&E would result in material information.



Description of items



Label and describe items in a way that **faithfully represents the characteristics** of the item.

Only use the label 'other' if a more informative label cannot be found

If 'other' must be used

Use the most precise label possible – e.g. **other operating** expenses

For an aggregation of immaterial items – consider if users may question whether any material items are included. If so, further information must be disclosed about the aggregated amount to help users understand these are individually immaterial.

Polling Question 2

Preparers – do you think the new guidance around the use of the label 'other' will result in a change to the way you label and describe items?

- A. Yes
- B. No
- **C.** Maybe



Presenting operating expenses



By nature Or both

By function



Consider:

- What line items provide the most useful information about the main components or drivers of profitability
- What line items most closely represent the way the business is managed and internal reporting
- Standard industry practice
- Whether allocation of particular expenses to functions would be arbitrary.

Example – presenting operating expenses

	Statement of profit or loss [extract]	20X2	20X1
Operating	Revenue	367,000	353,100
	Cost of sales	(241,600	(224,100 *
	Gross profit	125,400	129,000
	Other operating income	12,200	4,100
	Selling expenses	(28,900)	(27,400 *
	Research and development expenses	(25,100)	(25,900) *
	General and administrative expenses	(20,900)	(22,400) *
	Goodwill impairment loss	(4,500)	- ^
	Other operating expenses	(1,200)	(5,600)
	Operating profit	57,000	51,800

Key	
Function	
Nature	

^{*} Represents how the business is managed and how management reports internally

^{*} Standard practice within the industry

[^] Presented by nature, as allocation to function line items would be arbitrary

Disclosure of expenses by nature

Not applicable for Tier 2 entities

If classifying operating expenses by function – must also disclose the amounts for certain expenses by **nature**.

- Depreciation;
- Amortisation;
- Employee benefits;
- Impairment losses and reversals of impairment losses; and
- Write-downs and reversals of write-downs of inventories.



Amounts disclosed do not need be the amounts recognised as expenses during the period – may include amounts recognised as part of the carrying amount of an asset.

Also – disclose a qualitative description of the nature of expenses included in each function line item

Example - Disclosure of expenses by nature

Depreciation	20X2	20X1
Cost of sales	00.710	04 000
	23,710	21.990
Research and development expenses	2,515	2.590
General and administrative expenses	4,975	4,750
Total depreciation	31,200	29,330
Amortisation		
Research and development expenses	13,840	12,690
Total amortisation	13,840	12,690
Employee benefits		
Cost of sales	61,640	57,175
Selling expenses	7,515	7,110
Research and development expenses	6,545	6,750
General and administrative expenses	8.920	5,825
Total employee benefits	84,620	76,860
Impairment losses ^(a)		
Research and development expenses	1,600	1,500
Goodwill impairment loss	4,500	_
Total impairment losses	6,100	1,500
Write-down of inventories ^(a)		
Cost of sales	2,775	2,625
Total write-down of inventories	2,775	2,625

Extract from IASB Illustrative example Part I (Note 1 page 137)

(a) The amounts disclosed represent the total of impairment losses and reversals of impairment losses and the total of write-down of inventories and reversals of write-down of inventories.

Recap: Aggregation and

disaggregation

Use informative labels

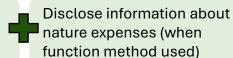
Aggregate based on shared characteristics

Disaggregate based on dissimilar characteristics

Disaggregate whenever resulting information is material

Operating expenses

Present based on **nature**, **function or a mix** of both



Depreciation, amortisation, employee benefits, impairment and inventory write-downs (and reversals)



Do not apply a checklist approach – must apply judgement on material items and shared characteristics

Polling Question 3

For which of these requirements would you most want to see more examples?

- **A.** Determining **where** to present or disclose material information (i.e., in the primary financial statements or the notes)
- **B.** Aggregating and disaggregating information
- **C.** Presentation and disclosure of operating expenses



Educational material

Monthly newsletter



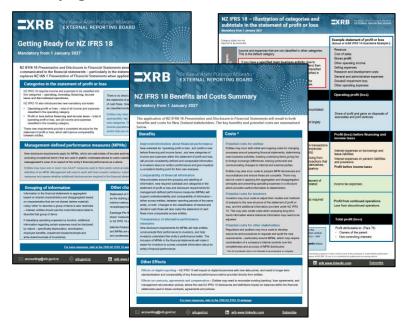




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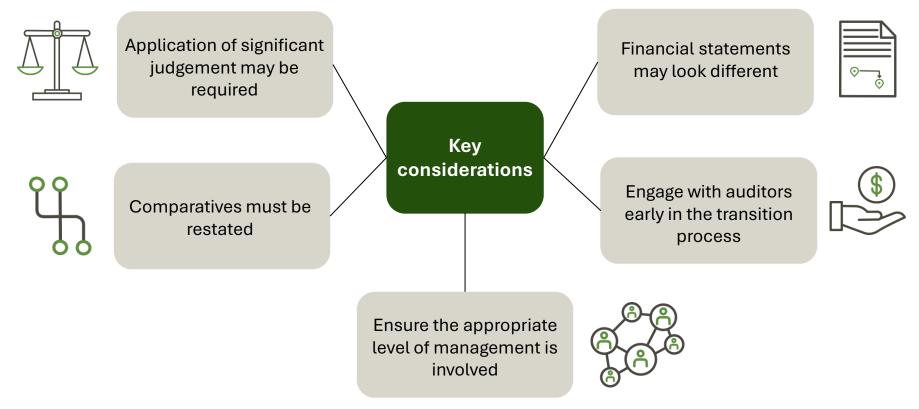


- An opportunity for you to connect with peers to share insights and challenges experienced in your preparation for NZ IFRS 18 to date.
- Recommended for:
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 - Financial controllers
 - Others closely involved in implementing NZ IFRS 18
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