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New Zealand Equivalent to International Financial Reporting Standard 5 *Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations* (NZ IFRS 5) is set out in paragraphs 1–45 and Appendices A–C. NZ IFRS 5 is based on International Financial Reporting Standard 5 *Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations* (IFRS 5) (2004) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). All the paragraphs have equal authority. Paragraphs in **bold type** state the main principles. Terms defined in Appendix A are in *italics* the first time they appear in the Standard. Definitions of other terms are given in the Glossary. NZ IFRS 5 should be read in the context of its objective and the IASB’s Basis for Conclusions on IFRS 5 and the New Zealand Equivalent to the IASB *Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting*. NZ IAS 8 *Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements* provides a basis for selecting and applying accounting policies in the absence of explicit guidance.

Any New Zealand additional material is shown with either “NZ” or “RDR” preceding the paragraph number.

New Zealand Equivalent to International Financial Reporting Standard 5

Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations (NZ IFRS 5)

Objective

- 1 The objective of this Standard is to specify the accounting for assets held for sale, and the presentation and disclosure of *discontinued operations*. In particular, the Standard requires:
- (a) assets that meet the criteria to be classified as held for sale to be measured at the lower of carrying amount and *fair value less costs to sell*, and depreciation on such assets to cease; and
 - (b) assets that meet the criteria to be classified as held for sale to be presented separately in the statement of financial position and the results of discontinued operations to be presented separately in the statement of comprehensive income.

Scope

NZ 1.1 This Standard applies to Tier 1 and Tier 2 for-profit entities.

NZ 1.2 A Tier 2 entity is not required to comply with the disclosure requirements in this Standard denoted with an asterisk (*). Where an entity elects to apply a disclosure concession it shall comply with any RDR paragraphs associated with that concession.

- 2 The classification, presentation and disclosure requirements of this Standard apply to all recognised *non-current assets*¹ and to all *disposal groups* of an entity. The measurement requirements of this Standard apply to all recognised non-current assets and disposal groups (as set out in paragraph 4), except for those assets listed in paragraph 5 which shall continue to be measured in accordance with the Standard noted.
- 3 Assets classified as non-current in accordance with NZ IFRS 18 *Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements* shall not be reclassified as *current assets* until they meet the criteria to be classified as held for sale in accordance with this Standard. Assets of a class that an entity would normally regard as non-current that are acquired exclusively with a view to resale shall not be classified as current unless they meet the criteria to be classified as held for sale in accordance with this Standard.
- 4 Sometimes an entity disposes of a group of assets, possibly with some directly associated liabilities, together in a single transaction. Such a disposal group may be a group of *cash-generating units*, a single cash-generating unit, or part of a cash-generating unit.² The group may include any assets and any liabilities of the entity, including current assets, current liabilities and assets excluded by paragraph 5 from the measurement requirements of this Standard. If a non-current asset within the scope of the measurement requirements of this Standard is part of a disposal group, the measurement requirements of this Standard apply to the group as a whole, so that the group is measured at the lower of its carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell. The requirements for measuring the individual assets and liabilities within the disposal group are set out in paragraphs 18, 19 and 23.
- 5 The measurement provisions of this Standard³ do not apply to the following assets, which are covered by the Standards listed, either as individual assets or as part of a disposal group:
- (a) deferred tax assets (NZ IAS 12 *Income Taxes*).
 - (b) assets arising from employee benefits (NZ IAS 19 *Employee Benefits*).
 - (c) financial assets within the scope of NZ IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments*.

¹ For assets classified according to a liquidity presentation, non-current assets are assets that include amounts expected to be recovered more than twelve months after the reporting period. Paragraph 3 applies to the classification of such assets.

² However, once the cash flows from an asset or group of assets are expected to arise principally from sale rather than continuing use, they become less dependent on cash flows arising from other assets, and a disposal group that was part of a cash-generating unit becomes a separate cash-generating unit.

³ Other than paragraphs 18 and 19, which require the assets in question to be measured in accordance with other applicable NZ IFRSs.

- (d) non-current assets that are accounted for in accordance with the fair value model in NZ IAS 40 *Investment Property*.
 - (e) non-current assets that are measured at fair value less costs to sell in accordance with NZ IAS 41 *Agriculture*.
 - (f) groups of contracts within the scope of NZ IFRS 17 *Insurance Contracts*.
- 5A The classification, presentation, measurement and disclosure requirements in this NZ IFRS applicable to a non-current asset (or disposal group) that is classified as held for sale apply also to a non-current asset (or disposal group) that is classified as held for distribution to owners acting in their capacity as owners (held for distribution to owners).
- 5B This Standard specifies the disclosures required in respect of non-current assets (or disposal groups) classified as held for sale or discontinued operations. Disclosures in other Standards do not apply to such assets (or disposal groups) unless those Standards require:
- (a) specific disclosures in respect of non-current assets (or disposal groups) classified as held for sale or discontinued operations;
 - (b) disclosures about measurement of assets and liabilities within a disposal group that are not in the scope of the measurement requirement of NZ IFRS 5 and are not already provided in the other notes to the financial statements.

Additional disclosures about non-current assets (or disposal groups) classified as held for sale or discontinued operations may be necessary to comply with the disclosure requirements of NZ IFRS 18 and the requirements of NZ IAS 8 *Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements*, in particular paragraphs 6A and 31A of NZ IAS 8.

Classification of non-current assets (or disposal groups) as held for sale or as held for distribution to owners

- 6 An entity shall classify a non-current asset (or disposal group) as held for sale if its carrying amount will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use.**
- 7 For this to be the case, the asset (or disposal group) must be available for immediate sale in its present condition subject only to terms that are usual and customary for sales of such assets (or disposal groups) and its sale must be *highly probable*.
- 8 For the sale to be highly probable, the appropriate level of management must be committed to a plan to sell the asset (or disposal group), and an active programme to locate a buyer and complete the plan must have been initiated. Further, the asset (or disposal group) must be actively marketed for sale at a price that is reasonable in relation to its current fair value. In addition, the sale should be expected to qualify for recognition as a completed sale within one year from the date of classification, except as permitted by paragraph 9, and actions required to complete the plan should indicate that it is unlikely that significant changes to the plan will be made or that the plan will be withdrawn. The probability of shareholders' approval (if required in the jurisdiction) should be considered as part of the assessment of whether the sale is highly probable.
- 8A An entity that is committed to a sale plan involving loss of control of a subsidiary shall classify all the assets and liabilities of that subsidiary as held for sale when the criteria set out in paragraphs 6–8 are met, regardless of whether the entity will retain a non-controlling interest in its former subsidiary after the sale.
- 9 Events or circumstances may extend the period to complete the sale beyond one year. An extension of the period required to complete a sale does not preclude an asset (or disposal group) from being classified as held for sale if the delay is caused by events or circumstances beyond the entity's control and there is sufficient evidence that the entity remains committed to its plan to sell the asset (or disposal group). This will be the case when the criteria in Appendix B are met.
- 10 Sale transactions include exchanges of non-current assets for other non-current assets when the exchange has commercial substance in accordance with NZ IAS 16 *Property, Plant and Equipment*.
- 11 When an entity acquires a non-current asset (or disposal group) exclusively with a view to its subsequent disposal, it shall classify the non-current asset (or disposal group) as held for sale at the acquisition date only if the one-year requirement in paragraph 8 is met (except as permitted by paragraph 9) and it is highly probable that any other criteria in paragraphs 7 and 8 that are not met at that date will be met within a short period following the acquisition (usually within three months).
- 12 If the criteria in paragraphs 7 and 8 are met after the reporting period, an entity shall not classify a non-current asset (or disposal group) as held for sale in those financial statements when issued. However, when those

criteria are met after the reporting period but before the authorisation of the financial statements for issue, the entity shall disclose the information specified in paragraph 41(a), (b) and (d) in the notes.

- 12A A non-current asset (or disposal group) is classified as held for distribution to owners when the entity is committed to distribute the asset (or disposal group) to the owners. For this to be the case, the assets must be available for immediate distribution in their present condition and the distribution must be highly probable. For the distribution to be highly probable, actions to complete the distribution must have been initiated and should be expected to be completed within one year from the date of classification. Actions required to complete the distribution should indicate that it is unlikely that significant changes to the distribution will be made or that the distribution will be withdrawn. The probability of shareholders' approval (if required in the jurisdiction) should be considered as part of the assessment of whether the distribution is highly probable.

Non-current assets that are to be abandoned

- 13 An entity shall not classify as held for sale a non-current asset (or disposal group) that is to be abandoned. This is because its carrying amount will be recovered principally through continuing use. However, if the disposal group to be abandoned meets the criteria in paragraph 32(a)–(c), the entity shall present or disclose the results and cash flows of the disposal group as discontinued operations in accordance with paragraphs 33 and 34 at the date on which it ceases to be used. Non-current assets (or disposal groups) to be abandoned include non-current assets (or disposal groups) that are to be used to the end of their economic life and non-current assets (or disposal groups) that are to be closed rather than sold.
- 14 An entity shall not account for a non-current asset that has been temporarily taken out of use as if it had been abandoned.

Measurement of non-current assets (or disposal groups) as held for sale

Measurement of a non-current asset (or disposal group)

- 15 **An entity shall measure a non-current asset (or disposal group) classified as held for sale at the lower of its carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell.**
- 15A **An entity shall measure a non-current asset (or disposal group) classified as held for distribution to owners at the lower of its carrying amount and fair value less costs to distribute.⁴**
- 16 If a newly acquired asset (or disposal group) meets the criteria to be classified as held for sale (see paragraph 11), applying paragraph 15 will result in the asset (or disposal group) being measured on initial recognition at the lower of its carrying amount had it not been so classified (for example, cost) and fair value less costs to sell. Hence, if the asset (or disposal group) is acquired as part of a business combination, it shall be measured at fair value less costs to sell.
- 17 When the sale is expected to occur beyond one year, the entity shall measure the costs to sell at their present value. Any increase in the present value of the costs to sell that arises from the passage of time shall be classified in profit or loss applying the requirements in NZ IFRS 18 relating to income and expenses arising from the remeasurement of a non-current asset (or disposal group) classified as held for sale.
- 18 Immediately before the initial classification of the asset (or disposal group) as held for sale, the carrying amounts of the asset (or all the assets and liabilities in the group) shall be measured in accordance with applicable NZ IFRSs.
- 19 On subsequent remeasurement of a disposal group, the carrying amounts of any assets and liabilities that are not within the scope of the measurement requirements of this Standard, but are included in a disposal group classified as held for sale, shall be remeasured in accordance with applicable NZ IFRSs before the fair value less costs to sell of the disposal group is remeasured.

Recognition of impairment losses and reversals

- 20 An entity shall recognise an impairment loss for any initial or subsequent write-down of the asset (or disposal group) to fair value less costs to sell, to the extent that it has not been recognised in accordance with paragraph 19.

⁴ Costs to distribute are the incremental costs directly attributable to the distribution, excluding finance costs and income tax expense.

- 21 An entity shall recognise a gain for any subsequent increase in fair value less costs to sell of an asset, but not in excess of the cumulative impairment loss that has been recognised either in accordance with this Standard or previously in accordance with NZ IAS 36 *Impairment of Assets*.
- 22 An entity shall recognise a gain for any subsequent increase in fair value less costs to sell of a disposal group:
- (a) to the extent that it has not been recognised in accordance with paragraph 19; but
 - (b) not in excess of the cumulative impairment loss that has been recognised, either in accordance with this Standard or previously in accordance with NZ IAS 36, on the non-current assets that are within the scope of the measurement requirements of this Standard.
- 23 The impairment loss (or any subsequent gain) recognised for a disposal group shall reduce (or increase) the carrying amount of the non-current assets in the group that are within the scope of the measurement requirements of this Standard, in the order of allocation set out in paragraphs 104(a) and (b) and 122 of NZ IAS 36.
- 24 A gain or loss not previously recognised by the date of the sale of a non-current asset (or disposal group) shall be recognised at the date of derecognition. Requirements relating to derecognition are set out in:
- (a) paragraphs 67–72 of NZ IAS 16 for property, plant and equipment, and
 - (b) paragraphs 112–117 of NZ IAS 38 *Intangible Assets* for intangible assets.
- 25 An entity shall not depreciate (or amortise) a non-current asset while it is classified as held for sale or while it is part of a disposal group classified as held for sale. Interest and other expenses attributable to the liabilities of a disposal group classified as held for sale shall continue to be recognised.

Changes to a plan of sale or to a plan of distribution to owners

- 26 If an entity has classified an asset (or disposal group) as held for sale or as held for distribution to owners, but the criteria in paragraphs 7–9 (for held for sale) or in paragraph 12A (for held for distribution to owners) are no longer met, the entity shall cease to classify the asset (or disposal group) as held for sale or held for distribution to owners (respectively). In such cases an entity shall follow the guidance in paragraphs 27–29 to account for this change except when paragraph 26A applies.
- 26A If an entity reclassifies an asset (or disposal group) directly from being held for sale to being held for distribution to owners, or directly from being held for distribution to owners to being held for sale, then the change in classification is considered a continuation of the original plan of disposal. The entity:
- (a) shall not follow the guidance in paragraphs 27–29 to account for this change. The entity shall apply the classification, presentation, measurement and disclosure requirements in this NZ IFRS that are applicable to the new method of disposal.
 - (b) shall measure the non-current asset (or disposal group) by following the requirements in paragraph 15 (if reclassified as held for sale) or 15A (if reclassified as held for distribution to owners) and recognise any reduction or increase in the fair value less costs to sell/costs to distribute of the non-current asset (or disposal group) by following the requirements in paragraphs 20–25.
 - (c) shall not change the date of classification in accordance with paragraphs 8 and 12A. This does not preclude an extension of the period required to complete a sale or a distribution to owners if the conditions in paragraph 9 are met.
- 27 The entity shall measure a non-current asset (or disposal group) that ceases to be classified as held for sale or as held for distribution to owners (or ceases to be included in a disposal group classified as held for sale or as held for distribution to owners) at the lower of:
- (a) its carrying amount before the asset (or disposal group) was classified as held for sale or as held for distribution to owners, adjusted for any depreciation, amortisation or revaluations that would have been recognised had the asset (or disposal group) not been classified as held for sale or as held for distribution to owners, and
 - (b) its *recoverable amount* at the date of the subsequent decision not to sell or distribute.⁵
- 28 The entity shall include any required adjustment to the carrying amount of a non-current asset that ceases to be classified as held for sale or as held for distribution to owners in profit or loss⁶ from continuing operations in the period in which the criteria in paragraphs 7–9 or 12A, respectively, are no longer met. Financial

⁵ If the non-current asset is part of a cash-generating unit, its recoverable amount is the carrying amount that would have been recognised after the allocation of any impairment loss arising on that cash-generating unit in accordance with NZ IAS 36.

⁶ Unless the asset is property, plant and equipment or an intangible asset that had been revalued in accordance with NZ IAS 16 or NZ IAS 38 before classification as held for sale, in which case the adjustment shall be treated as a revaluation increase or decrease.

statements for the periods since classification as held for sale or as held for distribution to owners shall be amended accordingly if the disposal group or non-current asset that ceases to be classified as held for sale or as held for distribution to owners is a subsidiary, joint operation, joint venture, associate, or a portion of an interest in a joint venture or an associate. The entity shall present that adjustment in the same line item in the statement of comprehensive income used to present a gain or loss, if any, recognised in accordance with paragraph 37.

- 29 If an entity removes an individual asset or liability from a disposal group classified as held for sale, the remaining assets and liabilities of the disposal group to be sold shall continue to be measured as a group only if the group meets the criteria in paragraphs 7–9. If an entity removes an individual asset or liability from a disposal group classified as held for distribution to owners, the remaining assets and liabilities of the disposal group to be distributed shall continue to be measured as a group only if the group meets the criteria in paragraph 12A. Otherwise, the remaining non-current assets of the group that individually meet the criteria to be classified as held for sale (or as held for distribution to owners) shall be measured individually at the lower of their carrying amounts and fair values less costs to sell (or costs to distribute) at that date. Any non-current assets that do not meet the criteria for held for sale shall cease to be classified as held for sale in accordance with paragraph 26. Any non-current assets that do not meet the criteria for held for distribution to owners shall cease to be classified as held for distribution to owners in accordance with paragraph 26.

Presentation and disclosure

- 30 **An entity shall present and disclose information that enables users of the financial statements to evaluate the financial effects of discontinued operations and disposals of non-current assets (or disposal groups).**

Discontinued operations

- 31 A *component* of an entity comprises operations and cash flows that can be clearly distinguished, operationally and for financial reporting purposes, from the rest of the entity. In other words, a component of an entity will have been a cash-generating unit or a group of cash-generating units while being held for use.

- 32 A discontinued operation is a component of an entity that either has been disposed of, or is classified as held for sale, and

- (a) represents a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations,
- (b) is part of a single co-ordinated plan to dispose of a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations or
- (c) is a subsidiary acquired exclusively with a view to resale.

- 33 An entity shall present or disclose:

- (a) a single amount in the statement of comprehensive income comprising the total of:
 - (i) the post-tax profit or loss of discontinued operations; and
 - (ii) the post-tax gain or loss recognised on the measurement to fair value less costs to sell or on the disposal of the assets or disposal group(s) constituting the discontinued operation.

- * (b) an analysis of the single amount in (a) into:

- (i) the revenue, expenses and pre-tax profit or loss of discontinued operations;
- (ii) the related income tax expense as required by paragraph 81(h) of NZ IAS 12;
- (iii) the gain or loss recognised on the measurement to fair value less costs to sell or on the disposal of the assets or disposal group(s) constituting the discontinued operation; and
- (iv) the related income tax expense as required by paragraph 81(h) of NZ IAS 12.

The analysis may be presented in the statement of comprehensive income or disclosed in the notes. If it is presented in the statement of comprehensive income it shall be classified in the discontinued operations category, ie separately from continuing operations. The analysis is not required for disposal groups that are newly acquired subsidiaries that meet the criteria to be classified as held for sale on acquisition (see paragraph 11).

- (c) the net cash flows attributable to the operating, investing and financing activities of discontinued operations. This information may either be presented in the statement of cash flows or disclosed in the notes. These disclosures are not required for disposal groups that are newly acquired subsidiaries that meet the criteria to be classified as held for sale on acquisition (see paragraph 11).

- * (d) the amount of income from continuing operations and from discontinued operations attributable to owners of the parent. This information may either be presented in the statement of comprehensive income or disclosed in the notes.
- 33A If an entity presents the items of profit or loss in a statement of profit or loss separate from a statement presenting comprehensive income as described in paragraph 12(b) of NZ IFRS 18, a category identified as relating to discontinued operations is presented in the statement of profit or loss.
- 34 An entity shall re-present the presentations and disclosures in paragraph 33 for prior periods presented in the financial statements so that the presentations and disclosures relate to all operations that have been discontinued by the end of the reporting period for the latest period presented.
- 35 Adjustments in the current period to amounts previously classified in the discontinued operations category that are directly related to the disposal of a discontinued operation in a prior period shall also be classified separately in the discontinued operations category. The nature and amount of such adjustments shall be disclosed. Examples of circumstances in which these adjustments may arise include the following:
- * (a) the resolution of uncertainties that arise from the terms of the disposal transaction, such as the resolution of purchase price adjustments and indemnification issues with the purchaser.
 - * (b) the resolution of uncertainties that arise from and are directly related to the operations of the component before its disposal, such as environmental and product warranty obligations retained by the seller.
 - * (c) the settlement of employee benefit plan obligations, provided that the settlement is directly related to the disposal transaction.
- RDR 35.1 A Tier 2 entity is not required to disclose the nature and amount of the adjustments in the current period required by paragraph 35.
- 36 If an entity ceases to classify a component of an entity as held for sale, the results of operations of the component previously classified in the discontinued operations category in accordance with paragraphs 33–35 shall be reclassified and included in income from continuing operations for all periods presented. The amounts for prior periods shall be described as having been re-presented.
- 36A An entity that is committed to a sale plan involving loss of control of a subsidiary shall present or disclose the information required in paragraphs 33–36 when the subsidiary is a disposal group that meets the definition of a discontinued operation in accordance with paragraph 32.

Gains or losses relating to continuing operations

- 37 Any gain or loss on the remeasurement of a non-current asset (or disposal group) classified as held for sale that does not meet the definition of a discontinued operation shall be included in profit or loss from continuing operations.

Non-current asset or disposal group classified as held for sale

- 38 An entity shall present a non-current asset classified as held for sale and the assets of a disposal group classified as held for sale separately from other assets in the statement of financial position. The liabilities of a disposal group classified as held for sale shall be presented separately from other liabilities in the statement of financial position. Those assets and liabilities shall not be offset and presented as a single amount. The major classes of assets and liabilities classified as held for sale shall either be presented separately in the statement of financial position or disclosed in the notes, except as permitted by paragraph 39. An entity shall present separately any cumulative income or expense recognised in other comprehensive income relating to a non-current asset (or disposal group) classified as held for sale.
- 39 If the disposal group is a newly acquired subsidiary that meets the criteria to be classified as held for sale on acquisition (see paragraph 1), presentation or disclosure of the major classes of assets and liabilities is not required.
- 40 An entity shall not reclassify or re-present amounts presented for non-current assets or for the assets and liabilities of disposal groups classified as held for sale in the statements of financial position for prior periods to reflect the classification in the statement of financial position for the latest period presented.

Additional disclosures

- 41 An entity shall disclose the following information in the notes in the period in which a non-current asset (or disposal group) has been either classified as held for sale or sold:
- (a) a description of the non-current asset (or disposal group);
 - (b) a description of the facts and circumstances of the sale, or leading to the expected disposal, and the expected manner and timing of that disposal;
 - (c) the gain or loss recognised in accordance with paragraphs 20–22 and, if not separately presented in the statement of comprehensive income, the line item in the statement of comprehensive income that includes that gain or loss;
 - * (d) if applicable, the segment in which the non-current asset (or disposal group) is presented in accordance with NZ IFRS 8 *Operating Segments*.
- *42 If either paragraph 26 or paragraph 29 applies, an entity shall disclose, in the period of the decision to change the plan to sell the non-current asset (or disposal group), a description of the facts and circumstances leading to the decision and the effect of the decision on the results of operations for the period and any prior periods presented.

Transitional provisions

- 43 The Standard shall be applied prospectively to non-current assets (or disposal groups) that meet the criteria to be classified as held for sale and operations that meet the criteria to be classified as discontinued after the effective date of the Standard. An entity may apply the requirements of the Standard to all non-current assets (or disposal groups) that meet the criteria to be classified as held for sale and operations that meet the criteria to be classified as discontinued after any date before the effective date of the Standard, provided the valuations and other information needed to apply the Standard were obtained at the time those criteria were originally met.

Effective date

- 44 This Standard becomes operative for an entity's financial statements that cover annual accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2007. Early adoption of this Standard is permitted only when an entity complies with NZ IFRS 1 *First-time Adoption of New Zealand Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards* for an annual accounting period beginning on or after 1 January 2005.
- 44A NZ IAS 1 (as revised in 2007) amended the terminology used throughout New Zealand equivalents to IFRSs. In addition it amended paragraph 38 and added paragraph 33A. An entity shall apply those amendments for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009. If an entity applies NZ IAS 1 (revised 2007) for an earlier period, the amendments shall be applied for that earlier period.⁷
- 44B NZ IAS 27 *Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements* (as amended in 2008) added paragraph 33(d). An entity shall apply that amendment for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2009. If an entity applies NZ IAS 27 (amended 2008) for an earlier period, the amendment shall be applied for that earlier period. The amendment shall be applied retrospectively.
- 44C Paragraphs 8A and 36A were added by *Improvements to NZ IFRSs* issued in June 2008. An entity shall apply those amendments for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2009. Earlier application is permitted. However, an entity shall not apply the amendments for annual periods beginning before 1 July 2009 unless it also applies NZ IAS 27 (as amended in February 2008). If an entity applies the amendments before 1 July 2009 it shall disclose that fact. An entity shall apply the amendments prospectively from the date at which it first applied NZ IFRS 5, subject to the transitional provisions in paragraph 45 of NZ IAS 27 (amended February 2008).
- 44D Paragraphs 5A, 12A and 15A were added and paragraph 8 was amended by NZ IFRIC 17 *Distributions of Non-cash Assets to Owners* in December 2008. Those amendments shall be applied prospectively to non-current assets (or disposal groups) that are classified as held for distribution to owners in annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2009. Retrospective application is not permitted. Earlier application is permitted. If an entity applies the amendments for a period beginning before 1 July 2009 it shall disclose that fact and

⁷ In May 2024 the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board of the External Reporting Board issued NZ IFRS 18 *Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements* and carried over these requirements in NZ IAS 1 *Presentation of Financial Statements* to NZ IFRS 18.

- also apply NZ IFRS 3 *Business Combinations* (as revised in 2008), NZ IAS 27 (as amended in February 2008) and NZ IFRIC 17.
- 44E Paragraph 5B was added by *Improvements to NZ IFRSs* issued in May 2009. An entity shall apply that amendment prospectively for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2010. Earlier application is permitted. If an entity applies the amendment for an earlier period it shall disclose that fact.
- 44F [Deleted by IASB]
- 44G NZ IFRS 11 *Joint Arrangements*, issued in June 2011, amended paragraph 28. An entity shall apply that amendment when it applies NZ IFRS 11.
- 44H NZ IFRS 13 *Fair Value Measurement*, issued in June 2011, amended the definition of fair value and the definition of recoverable amount in Appendix A. An entity shall apply those amendments when it applies NZ IFRS 13.
- 44I *Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income* (Amendments to NZ IAS 1), issued in August 2011, amended paragraph 33A and added paragraph NZ 2.1. An entity shall apply those amendments when it applies NZ IAS 1 as amended in August 2011.⁸
- NZ 44I.1 *Framework: Tier 1 and Tier 2 For-profit Entities*, issued in November 2012, amended extant NZ IFRSs by deleting any public benefit entity paragraphs, deleting any differential reporting concessions, adding scope paragraphs for Tier 1 and Tier 2 for-profit entities and adding disclosure concessions for Tier 2 entities. It made no changes to the requirements for Tier 1 entities. A Tier 2 entity may elect to apply the disclosure concessions for annual periods beginning on or after 1 December 2012. Early application is permitted.
- 44J [Deleted by IASB]
- 44K NZ IFRS 9, as issued in September 2014, amended paragraph 5 and deleted paragraphs 44F and 44J. An entity shall apply those amendments when it applies NZ IFRS 9.
- 44L *Annual Improvements to NZ IFRSs 2012–2014 Cycle*, issued in November 2014, amended paragraphs 26–29 and added paragraph 26A. An entity shall apply those amendments prospectively in accordance with NZ IAS 8 *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors*⁹ to changes in a method of disposal that occur in annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016. Earlier application is permitted. If an entity applies those amendments for an earlier period it shall disclose that fact.
- NZ 44L.1 *Amendments to For-profit Accounting Standards as a Consequence of XRB A1 and Other Amendments*, issued in December 2015, amended terminology for consistency with terminology used in XRB A1 and paragraph 33. An entity shall apply those amendments for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016. Earlier application is permitted.
- 44M NZ IFRS 17, issued in August 2017, amended paragraph 5. An entity shall apply that amendment when it applies NZ IFRS 17.
- 44N NZ IFRS 18 issued in May 2024 amended paragraphs 2, 3, 5A, 5B, 13, 17, 26A, 28, 33–36A, 38, 39 and 41, and the headings before paragraphs 31 and 38. An entity shall apply those amendments when it applies NZ IFRS 18.

Withdrawal of IAS 35

- 45 [Paragraph 45 is not reproduced. The withdrawal of IAS 35 *Discontinuing Operations* is not relevant to this Standard.]

⁸ When it issued NZ IFRS 18, the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board of the External Reporting Board carried over these requirements in NZ IAS 1 to NZ IFRS 18.

⁹ When it issued NZ IFRS 18, the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board of the External Reporting Board changed the title of NZ IAS 8 to *Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements*.

Appendix A Defined terms

This Appendix is an integral part of the Standard.

cash-generating unit	The smallest identifiable group of assets that generates cash inflows that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.
component of an entity	Operations and cash flows that can be clearly distinguished, operationally and for financial reporting purposes, from the rest of the entity.
costs to sell	The incremental costs directly attributable to the disposal of an asset (or disposal group), excluding finance costs and income tax expense.
current asset	An entity shall classify an asset as current when: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) it expects to realise the asset, or intends to sell or consume it, in its normal operating cycle; (b) it holds the asset primarily for the purpose of trading it; (c) it expects to realise the asset within twelve months after the reporting period; or (d) the asset is cash or a cash equivalent (as defined in NZ IAS 7) unless the asset is restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.
discontinued operation	A component of an entity that either has been disposed of or is classified as held for sale and: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) represents a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations, (b) is part of a single co-ordinated plan to dispose of a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations or (c) is a subsidiary acquired exclusively with a view to resale.
disposal group	A group of assets to be disposed of, by sale or otherwise, together as a group in a single transaction, and liabilities directly associated with those assets that will be transferred in the transaction. The group includes goodwill acquired in a business combination if the group is a cash-generating unit to which goodwill has been allocated in accordance with the requirements of paragraphs 80–87 of NZ IAS 36 <i>Impairment of Assets</i> or if it is an operation within such a cash-generating unit.
fair value	<i>Fair value</i> is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. (See NZ IFRS 13.)
firm purchase commitment	An agreement with an unrelated party, binding on both parties and usually legally enforceable, that (a) specifies all significant terms, including the price and timing of the transactions, and (b) includes a disincentive for non-performance that is sufficiently large to make performance highly probable .
highly probable	Significantly more likely than probable .
non-current asset	An asset that does not meet the definition of a current asset .
probable	More likely than not.
recoverable amount	The higher of an asset's fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use .
value in use	The present value of estimated future cash flows expected to arise from the continuing use of an asset and from its disposal at the end of its useful life.

Appendix B

Application supplement

This Appendix is an integral part of the Standard.

Extension of the period required to complete a sale

- B1 As noted in paragraph 9, an extension of the period required to complete a sale does not preclude an asset (or disposal group) from being classified as held for sale if the delay is caused by events or circumstances beyond the entity's control and there is sufficient evidence that the entity remains committed to its plan to sell the asset (or disposal group). An exception to the one-year requirement in paragraph 8 shall therefore apply in the following situations in which such events or circumstances arise:
- (a) at the date an entity commits itself to a plan to sell a non-current asset (or disposal group) it reasonably expects that others (not a buyer) will impose conditions on the transfer of the asset (or disposal group) that will extend the period required to complete the sale, and:
 - (i) actions necessary to respond to those conditions cannot be initiated until after a *firm purchase commitment* is obtained, and
 - (ii) a firm purchase commitment is highly probable within one year.
 - (b) an entity obtains a firm purchase commitment and, as a result, a buyer or others unexpectedly impose conditions on the transfer of a non-current asset (or disposal group) previously classified as held for sale that will extend the period required to complete the sale, and:
 - (i) timely actions necessary to respond to the conditions have been taken, and
 - (ii) a favourable resolution of the delaying factors is expected.
 - (c) during the initial one-year period, circumstances arise that were previously considered unlikely and, as a result, a non-current asset (or disposal group) previously classified as held for sale is not sold by the end of that period, and:
 - (i) during the initial one-year period the entity took action necessary to respond to the change in circumstances,
 - (ii) the non-current asset (or disposal group) is being actively marketed at a price that is reasonable, given the change in circumstances, and
 - (iii) the criteria in paragraphs 7 and 8 are met.

Appendix C Amendments to other Standards

The amendments in this appendix shall be applied for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2005. If an entity adopts this NZ IFRS for an earlier period, these amendments shall be applied for that earlier period.

The amendments contained in this appendix have been incorporated into the relevant pronouncements.

HISTORY OF AMENDMENTS

Table of Pronouncements – NZ IFRS 5 *Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations*

This table lists the pronouncements establishing and amending NZ IFRS 5. The table is based on amendments issued as at 31 January 2026.

Pronouncements	Date issued	Early operative date	Mandatory date (annual reporting periods... on or after ...)
NZ IFRS 5 <i>Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations</i>	Nov 2004	1 Jan 2005	1 Jan 2007
NZ IAS 1 <i>Presentation of Financial Statements</i> (revised 2007) ¹	Nov 2007	Early application permitted	1 Jan 2009
NZ IAS 27 <i>Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements</i> (amended 2008)	Feb 2008	Early application permitted	1 July 2009
<i>Improvements to NZ IFRSs</i>	June 2008	Early application permitted	1 July 2009
Minor Amendments to NZ IFRSs (2008-2)	Aug 2008	Immediate	Immediate
NZ IFRIC 17 <i>Distribution of Non-cash Assets to Owners</i>	Dec 2008	Early application permitted	1 July 2009
<i>Improvements to NZ IFRSs</i>	May 2009	Early application permitted	1 July 2009
NZ IFRS 9 <i>Financial Instruments</i> (2009)	Nov 2009	Early application permitted	1 Jan 2013 ²
NZ IFRS 9 <i>Financial Instruments</i> (2010)	Nov 2010	Early application permitted	1 Jan 2013 ³
NZ IFRS 11 <i>Joint Arrangements</i>	June 2011	Early application permitted	1 Jan 2013
NZ IFRS 13 <i>Fair Value Measurement</i>	June 2011	Early application permitted	1 Jan 2013
<i>Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income</i> (Amendments to NZ IAS 1)	Aug 2011	Early application permitted	1 July 2012
<i>Framework: Tier 1 and Tier 2 For-profit Entities</i> ⁴	Nov 2012	Early application permitted	1 Dec 2012
NZ IFRS 9 <i>Financial Instruments</i> (2013) (<i>Hedge Accounting and Amendments to NZ IFRS 9, NZ IFRS 7 and NZ IAS 39</i>)	Dec 2013	Early application permitted	1 Jan 2017 ⁵
NZ IFRS 9 <i>Financial Instruments</i> (2014)	Sept 2014	Early application permitted	1 Jan 2018
<i>Annual Improvements to NZ IFRSs 2012–2014 Cycle</i>	Nov 2014	Early application permitted	1 Jan 2016
<i>Amendments to For-profit Accounting Standards as a Consequence of XRB A1 and Other Amendments</i>	Dec 2015	Early application permitted	1 Jan 2016

¹ Superseded by NZ IFRS 18 *Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements*.

² Superseded by NZ IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments* (2014). NZ IFRS 9 (2014) restricted early application of earlier versions of NZ IFRS 9.

³ Superseded by NZ IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments* (2014). NZ IFRS 9 (2014) restricted early application of earlier versions of NZ IFRS 9.

⁴ This pronouncement amended extant NZ IFRSs by (i) deleting any public benefit entity paragraphs, (ii) deleting any differential reporting paragraphs, (iii) adding scope paragraphs for Tier 1 and Tier 2 for-profit entities, and (iv) adding RDR disclosure concessions.

⁵ Superseded by NZ IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments* (2014). NZ IFRS 9 (2014) restricted early application of earlier versions of NZ IFRS 9.

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Pronouncements	Date issued	Early operative date	Mandatory date (annual reporting periods... on or after ...)
NZ IFRS 17 <i>Insurance Contracts</i>	Aug 2017	Early application permitted	1 Jan 2023 ⁶
Editorial Corrections (IASB Dec 2019)	Feb 2020	–	–
NZ IFRS 18 <i>Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements</i>	May 2024	Early application permitted	1 Jan 2027

Table of Amended Paragraphs in NZ IFRS 5		
Paragraph affected	How affected	By ... [date]
Paragraph 2	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 3	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph NZ 2.1	Added	<i>Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income</i> [Aug 2011]
Paragraph 5	Amended	<i>Improvements to NZ IFRSs</i> [June 2008]
Paragraph 5	Amended	NZ IFRS 9 (2009) [Nov 2009], NZ IFRS 9 (2010), NZ IFRS 9 (2013) and NZ IFRS 9 (2014) [Sept 2014]
Paragraph 5	Amended	NZ IFRS 17 [Aug 2017]
Paragraph 5A	Added	NZ IFRIC 17 [Dec 2008]
Paragraph 5A	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 5B	Added	<i>Improvements to NZ IFRSs</i> [May 2009]
Paragraph 5B	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Heading preceding paragraph 6	Amended	NZ IFRIC 17 [Dec 2008]
Paragraph 8	Amended	NZ IFRIC 17 [Dec 2008]
Paragraph 8A	Added	<i>Improvements to NZ IFRSs</i> [June 2008]
Paragraph 12A	Added	NZ IFRIC 17 [Dec 2008]
Paragraph 13	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 15A and footnote	Added	NZ IFRIC 17 [Dec 2008]
Paragraph 17	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 26 and the preceding heading	Amended	<i>Annual Improvements to NZ IFRSs 2012–2014 Cycle</i> [Nov 2014]
Paragraph 26A	Added	<i>Annual Improvements to NZ IFRSs 2012–2014 Cycle</i> [Nov 2014]
Paragraph 26A(a)	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 27	Amended	<i>Annual Improvements to NZ IFRSs 2012–2014 Cycle</i> [Nov 2014]
Paragraph 28	Amended	NZ IAS 1 [Nov 2007]
Paragraph 28	Amended	NZ IFRS 11 [June 2011]
Paragraph 28	Amended	<i>Annual Improvements to NZ IFRSs 2012–2014 Cycle</i> [Nov 2014]
Paragraph 28	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 29	Amended	<i>Annual Improvements to NZ IFRSs 2012–2014 Cycle</i> [Nov 2014]

⁶ *Amendments to NZ IFRS 17*, issued in August 2020, deferred the effective date of NZ IFRS 17 from 1 January 2021 to 1 January 2023.

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Table of Amended Paragraphs in NZ IFRS 5		
Paragraph affected	How affected	By ... [date]
Heading preceding paragraph 31	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 33	Amended	<i>Amendments to For-profit Accounting Standards</i> [Dec 2015]
Paragraph 33	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 33(b)	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 33(c)	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 33(d)	Added	NZ IAS 27 [Feb 2008]
Paragraph 33(d)	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 33A	Added	NZ IAS 1 [Nov 2007]
Paragraph 33A	Amended	<i>Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income</i> [Aug 2011]
Paragraph 33A	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 34	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 35	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 36	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 36A	Added	<i>Improvements to NZ IFRSs</i> [June 2008]
Paragraph 36A	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 38	Amended	NZ IAS 1 [Nov 2007]
Paragraph 38 and preceding heading	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 39	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 41(c)	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 44A	Added	NZ IAS 1 [Nov 2007]
Paragraph 44A (footnote added)	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph 44B	Added	NZ IAS 27 [Feb 2008]
Paragraph 44C	Added	<i>Improvements to NZ IFRSs</i> [June 2008]
Paragraph 44D	Added	NZ IFRIC 17 [Dec 2008]
Paragraph 44E	Added	<i>Improvements to NZ IFRSs</i> [May 2009]
Paragraph 44F	Added	NZ IFRS 9 (2009) [Nov 2009] and NZ IFRS 9 (2010) [Nov 2010]
Paragraph 44F	Deleted	NZ IFRS 9 (2013) [Dec 2013] and NZ IFRS 9 (2014) [Sept 2014]
Paragraph 44G	Added	NZ IFRS 11 [June 2011]
Paragraph 44H	Added	NZ IFRS 13 [June 2011]
Paragraph 44H	Amended	Editorial Corrections (IASB Dec 2019) [Feb 2020]
Paragraph 44I	Added	<i>Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income</i> [Aug 2011]
Paragraph 44I (footnote added)	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph NZ 44I.1	Added	<i>Framework: Tier 1 and Tier 2 For-profit Entities</i> [Nov 2012]
Paragraph 44J	Added	NZ IFRS 9 (2013) [Dec 2013]
Paragraph 44J	Deleted	NZ IFRS 9 (2014) [Sept 2014]
Paragraph 44K	Added	NZ IFRS 9 (2014) [Sept 2014]
Paragraph 44L	Added	<i>Annual Improvements to NZ IFRSs 2012–2014 Cycle</i> [Nov 2014]

Table of Amended Paragraphs in NZ IFRS 5		
Paragraph affected	How affected	By ... [date]
Paragraph 44L (footnote added)	Amended	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Paragraph NZ 44L.1	Added	<i>Amendments to For-profit Accounting Standards</i> [Dec 2015]
Paragraph 44M	Added	NZ IFRS 17 [Aug 2017]
Paragraph 44N	Added	NZ IFRS 18 [May 2024]
Appendix A: definition of current asset	Amended	NZ IAS 1 [Nov 2007]
Appendix A: definition of recoverable amount	Amended	Editorial Corrections (IASB Dec 2019) [Feb 2020]