



Technology

IFRS 15 Revenue – Are you good to go?

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IFRS 15 will change the way many technology companies account for their contracts.

To help you drive your implementation project to the finish line, we've pulled together a list of key considerations that many technology companies need to focus on.

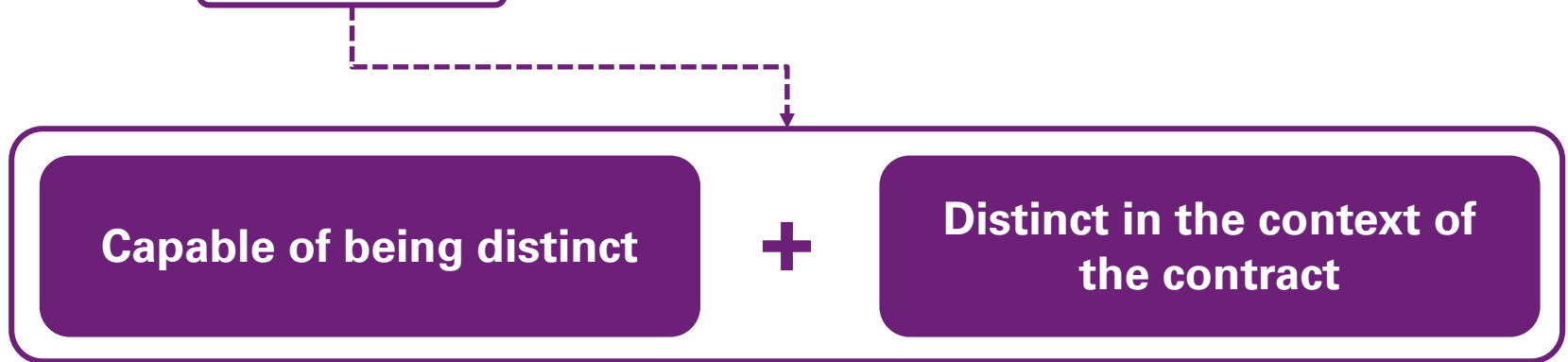


**For each of the following,
documenting your analysis
and the conclusions drawn
will be essential**



Performance obligations

Do any of the goods or services promised in the contract meet the new **'distinct' test** to be accounted for separately?

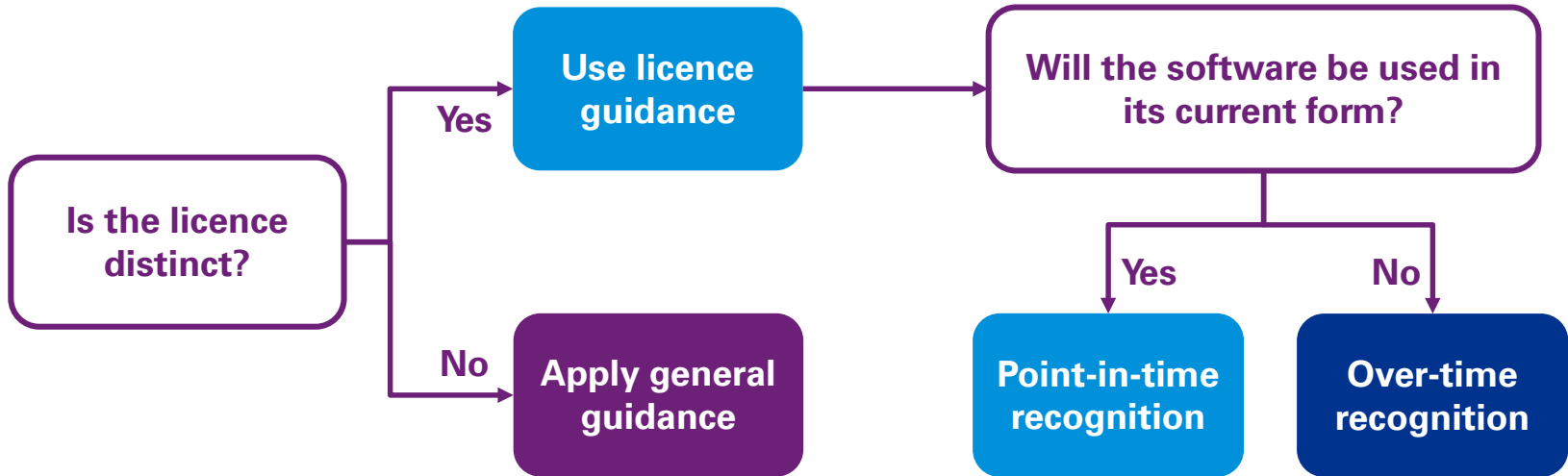


Think about...

Licences | Customisation | Installation | Cloud services | Customer support | Updates

Licences of intellectual property

How and when will you recognise licence revenue?

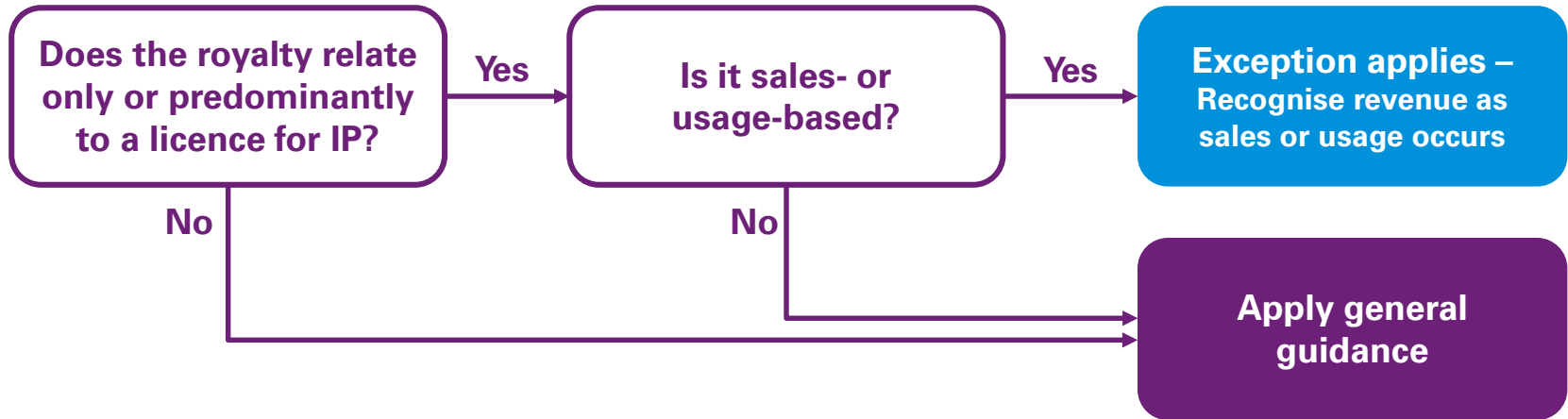


Think about...

Software: Is it complete or does it require constant updates?

Royalty arrangements for licences

Do your royalty arrangements qualify for the **royalty exception**?



Think about...

Tiered royalties | Royalties with a guaranteed minimum

Variable consideration and customer options

Have you decided whether your arrangements include variable consideration or customer options?

Variable consideration

Include an estimate of expected future purchases in the transaction price

Customer option

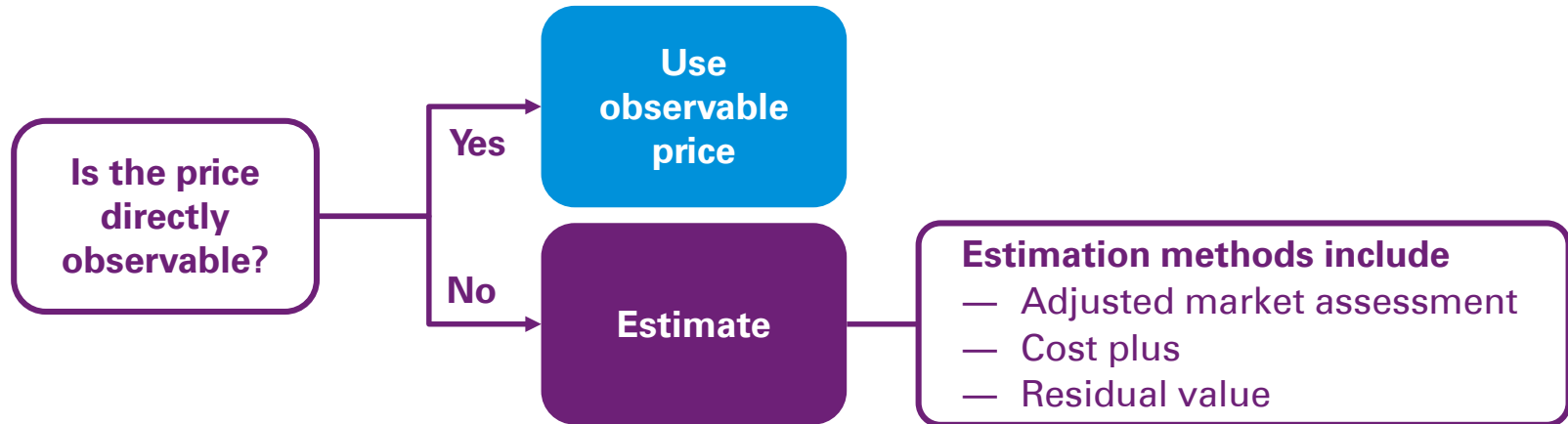
Exclude consideration from exercise of the option from the transaction price

Think about...

Processing fees | Transaction fees | Price concessions | Discounts | Refunds

Allocating the transaction price

How will you determine the **stand-alone selling prices** of your performance obligations and allocate the transaction price?

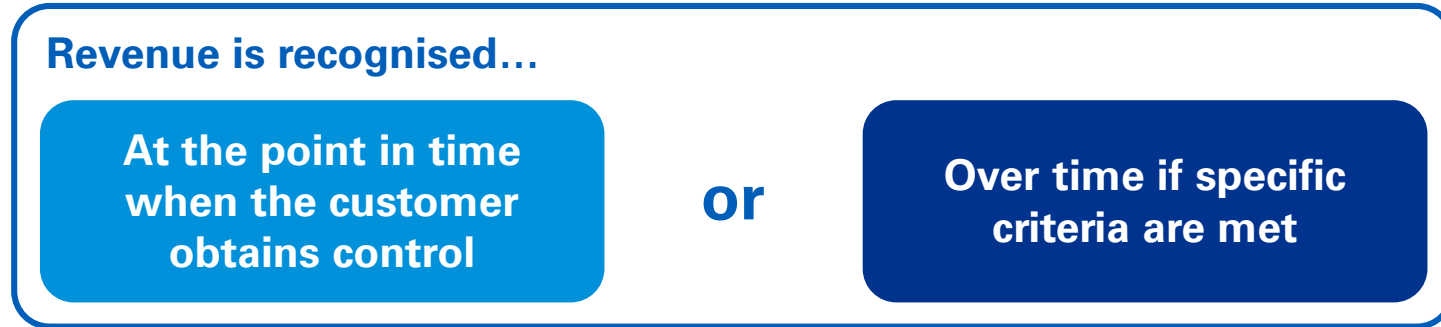


Think about...

Selling price of licences | Allocation of discounts and variable consideration

Timing of revenue recognition

Will there be any changes to the **timing of your revenue recognition?**



Think about...

Customisation | Access keys | Hosting services | Licence renewals | Customer support

Measure of progress

Have you determined a **single measure of progress** for the performance obligations satisfied over time?

Input method

- Costs incurred
- Labour hours

Output method

- Milestones reached
- Time elapsed

Think about...

Customised software | Outsourcing arrangements | Anti-virus software

Contract costs

Does your accounting policy for contract costs meet the requirements of IFRS 15?

✓ You'll need to...

Capitalise costs...

- incremental to obtaining a contract
 - e.g. sales commissions
- related to future performance

✗ You can no longer...

Recognise work in progress as a balance sheet 'true up' to ensure a smooth profit margin

Think about...

Renewal commissions | Customisation costs including licences | Set-up costs

Transition adjustments

Have you **identified all** of the areas where **differences** exist between **IFRS 15** and your **existing accounting**?



Use the helpful guidance in our *Transition Options* and *Issues In-Depth* publications



IFRS 15 is more detailed than the existing revenue requirements, so you may find unexpected changes in your accounting

Disclosure requirements

Have you identified the additional information and processes needed to meet the disclosure requirements?



Read our *Guide to annual financial statements – IFRS 15 supplement*



Under IFRS 15, you'll need to provide more detailed information about contract terms, as well as how and when you recognise revenue

Checklist of actions

Have you...?	☑	Have you...?	☑
Determined whether your contracts include more than one performance obligation ?	☐	Assessed whether the timing of your revenue recognition will change?	☐
Determined how to account for your licences of intellectual property ?	☐	Selected your measure of progress for contracts recognised over time?	☐
Assessed whether your royalty arrangements qualify for the royalty exception?	☐	Decided which contract costs you will capitalise?	☐
Assessed whether your contracts include variable consideration or customer options ?	☐	Identified and quantified your transition adjustments ?	☐
Determined the stand-alone selling prices of your performance obligations and allocated the transaction price ?	☐	Identified the additional information needed to meet the disclosure requirements ?	☐

How did you do?

**How many of our 10 questions
have you answered 'yes'?**

All 10 – You're good to go!

6-9 – You're on your way

0-5 – You really need to engage



Don't forget the broader business impacts



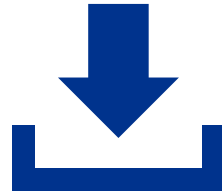
Have you...

- updated your management reporting, including KPIs?
- developed a transition plan for parallel runs, including reconciliations?
- thought about the tax implications?
- calculated the impact on bonus schemes?
- compared your approach with peers?

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