

# Be prepared for the new standards

Each quarter, we provide a summary of newly effective and forthcoming standards. This edition covers financial years ending on or after 31 March 2015, including interim periods within those financial years.

Companies with 31 March 2015 financial year ends will be preparing their annual financial statements considering the consequential effects of newly effective and forthcoming standards. Among others, investment entities will now benefit from the consolidation relief in the newly effective investment entities amendments.

Companies also need to consider the amendments to the share-based payments and business combinations standards included in the 2010–2012 cycle of annual improvements to IFRS. This is because the changes are effective for grant dates and dates of acquisition, respectively, on or after 1 July 2014.

Moving on to new developments so far this quarter, clarifications to IAS 1, which are the first step in the IASB's

broader 'disclosure initiative', encourage preparers to apply judgement and focus on the bigger picture and on entity-specific information. In addition, subsequent amendments to the new requirements for investment entities address some issues that were identified in early application of the consolidation exception.

Looking farther ahead, the few standards that will become effective in 2015 will bring rather insignificant changes compared with the numerous major standards in the past two years. This is a chance to prepare for implementation of the upcoming bigger changes such as the new revenue and financial instruments standards, which will become effective in 2017 and 2018, respectively.

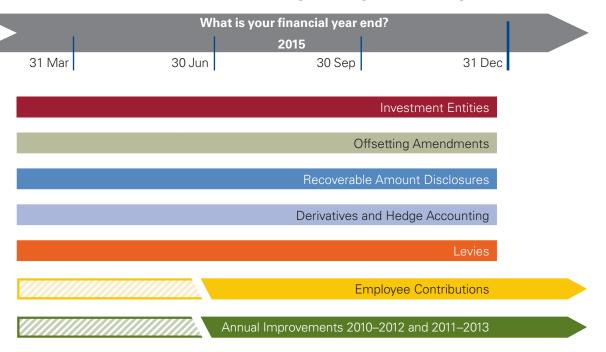
# **Newly effective standards**

The effective standards that need to be considered for financial years ending on or after 31 March 2015 are listed below.

Effective for years ending	Standards	KPMG's guidance	Key
31 December 2014	Investment Entities (Amendments to IFRS 10, IFRS 12 and IAS 27)	First Impressions: Consolidation relief for investment funds	
	Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities (Amendments to IAS 32)	Insights into IFRS (chapter 7.8)	
	Recoverable Amount Disclosures for Non-Financial Assets (Amendments to IAS 36)	IFRS Breaking News	
	Novation of Derivatives and Continuation of Hedge Accounting (Amendments to IAS 39)	In the Headlines – Issue 2013/13	
	IFRIC 21 Levies	In the Headlines – Issue 2013/09	
30 June 2015	Defined Benefit Plans: Employee Contributions (Amendments to IAS 19)	In the Headlines – Issue 2013/20	
	Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2010–2012 Cycle – various standards <sup>1</sup>	IFRS Newsletter: The Balancing Items – Issue 6	
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<sup>1.</sup> Most amendments will apply for years ending on or after 30 June 2015. However, the amendments to IFRS 2 and IFRS 3 refer to grant dates and dates of acquisition, respectively, on or after 1 July 2014.

# Which standards are mandatory for my financial year end?

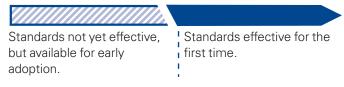


### How to read the chart

Find your financial year end on the timeline. Each standard shown is either effective for the first time or not yet effective but available for early adoption, depending on whether the line is solid or striped.

For example, if your financial year end is 31 March 2015, then the standards from *Investment Entities* to *Levies* are mandatory for the first time in your annual financial report covering 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2015.

#### Key



In this publication, the term 'standards' is used broadly to refer to new standards, and amendments to or interpretations of standards.

Although the standards define effective date in terms of annual periods *beginning* on or after a specified date, this publication states the effective date in terms of financial years *ending* on or after a specified date, to align the information with your financial year end. It also assumes a financial year of 12 months.

### Standards not yet effective, but available for early adoption

The standards listed below are not yet effective for any reporters, but are available for early adoption. Those issued since the previous edition of this *In the Headlines* (Issue 2014/23) are marked with a star (1).

Effective for years ending	Standards	KPMG's guidance
31 December 2016	IFRS 14 Regulatory Deferral Accounts	In the Headlines – Issue 2014/01
	Accounting for Acquisitions of Interests in Joint Operations (Amendments to IFRS 11)	In the Headlines – Issue 2014/07
	Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation (Amendments to IAS 16 and IAS 38)	In the Headlines – Issue 2014/08
	Agriculture: Bearer Plants (Amendments to IAS 16 and IAS 41)	In the Headlines – Issue 2014/12

Effective for years ending	Standards	KPMG's guidance
31 December 2016 (continued)	Equity Method in Separate Financial Statements (Amendments to IAS 27)	In the Headlines – Issue 2014/14
	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture (Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28)	In the Headlines – Issue 2014/17
	Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2012–2014 Cycle – various standards	IFRS Newsletter: The Balancing Items – Issue 7
	Investment Entities: Applying the Consolidation Exception (Amendments to IFRS 10, IFRS 12 and IAS 28)	IFRS Breaking News
	↓ Disclosure Initiative (Amendments to IAS 1)	IFRS Breaking News
31 December 2017	IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers	In the Headlines – Issue 2014/09
31 December 2018	IFRS 9 Financial Instruments	Insights into IFRS (chapter 7A), In the Headlines – Issue 2014/13, In the Headlines – Issue 2013/19

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