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Achievement Standard

Subject Reference Accounting 1.5

Title Interpret accounting information for sole proprietors

Level 1 **Credits** 4 **Assessment** External

Subfield Accounting

Domain Accounting - Generic

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This achievement standard involves interpreting accounting information for sole proprietors.

Achievement Criteria

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
Interpret accounting information for sole proprietors.	Soundly interpret accounting information for sole proprietors.	Comprehensively interpret accounting information for sole proprietors.

Explanatory Notes

Version 1 of this achievement standard was republished to clarify the step up in quality between the grades. Minor amendments were made to each grade definition in explanatory note 2.

- 1 This achievement standard is aligned with *The New Zealand Curriculum*, Learning Media, Ministry of Education, 2007.
- 2 Interpret accounting information for sole proprietors means:
 - describing the financial performance and financial position by typically:
 - describing analysis measures using elements of the formulae
 - describing trends.

Soundly interpret accounting information for sole proprietors means:

- explaining the financial performance and financial position by typically:
 - explaining analysis measures
 - explaining trends
 - making recommendations.

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Comprehensively interpret accounting information for sole proprietors means:

- explaining in detail the financial performance and financial position by typically:
 - fully explaining analysis measures
 - fully explaining trends
 - explaining interrelationships limited to mark-up/gross profit/ expense/ profit relationships and the current/ liquid ratio relationship
 - justifying a recommendation.
- 3 The sole proprietor firms are registered for GST on the payments basis and are either:
 - service firms and/or
 - trading firms that use a periodic inventory system.
- 4 Analysis measures may be selected from:
 - Measures of profitability:
 - percentage change
 - comparison of dollars amounts
 - mark-up/ gross profit percentages
 - expense/ cost percentages
 - profit percentage.
 - Measures of liquidity:
 - current ratio
 - liquid ratio.
 - Measure of financial stability:
 - equity ratio.

Note: Formulae will be provided for the analysis measures.

- 5 *Information* will be selected from:
 - analysis measures
 - financial information presented in graphical, vertical, narrative, or T-form
 - · comparative figures from financial statements
 - non-financial information.
- Assessment Specifications for this achievement standard can be accessed through the Accounting Resources page found at http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/qualifications-standards/qualifications/ncea/ncea-subject-resources/.

Replacement Information

This achievement standard replaced unit standard 7362.

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