

Achievement Standard

Subject Reference	Accounting 3.5		
Title	Demonstrate understanding of management accounting to inform decision-making		
Level	3	Credits	4
		Assessment	External
Subfield	Accounting		
Domain	Accounting - Generic		
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This achievement standard involves demonstrating understanding of management accounting to inform decision-making.

Achievement Criteria

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate understanding of management accounting to inform decision-making. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate in-depth understanding of management accounting to inform decision-making. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate comprehensive understanding of management accounting to inform decision-making.

Explanatory Notes

- This achievement standard is aligned with *The New Zealand Curriculum*, Learning Media, Ministry of Education, 2007, and is related to the material in the *Teaching and Learning Guide for Accounting*, Ministry of Education, 2012 at <http://seniorsecondary.tki.org.nz>.
- Demonstrate understanding* involves:
 - preparing financial information
 - applying management accounting elements to inform decision-making, based on financial and non-financial information.

Demonstrate in-depth understanding involves:

 - preparing detailed financial information
 - explaining the application of management accounting elements to inform decision-making, based on financial and non-financial information.

Demonstrate comprehensive understanding involves:

- preparing extensive financial information
- justifying the application of management accounting elements to inform decision-making, based on financial and non-financial information.

3 Decisions may be routine or strategic decisions.

4 Management accounting elements may include a selection from:

- budgets
- cost concepts
- comparison of actual results with budgets.

5 Financial information may include a selection from:

- cash budget
- cost-volume-profit (CVP) calculations
- CVP graph
- CVP profit statement

Note: CVP analysis is restricted to one product or service.

6 Assessment Specifications for this achievement standard can be accessed through the Accounting Resources page found at www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/resources.

Replacement Information

This achievement standard replaced unit standard 7380 and AS90505.

Quality Assurance

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Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference

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