



# 2025 Changes to Part I

## AcSB Due Process – Endorsement Activities

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## FOREWORD

During 2025, the Accounting Standards Board (AcSB) endorsed and incorporated into [Part I](#) of the CPA Canada Handbook – Accounting (Handbook) new or amended IFRS® Accounting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

The AcSB has approved for publication this document summarizing the endorsement activities it carried out as part of its due process in support of the changes made to the IFRS Accounting Standards in [Part I](#) during 2025.

The IASB® Basis for Conclusions document for each IFRS Accounting Standard includes the IASB's rationale for developing or amending the standard, as well as the factors and considerations that informed its conclusions on the related technical issues. While the AcSB considered this information as part of its endorsement activities, this document does not replicate the information in the IASB's Basis for Conclusions.

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## INTRODUCTION

- 1 During 2025, the Accounting Standards Board (AcSB) approved and incorporated into [Part I](#) of the CPA Canada Handbook – Accounting (Handbook) new or amended IFRS® Accounting Standards issued by the IASB. The AcSB is involved early in the process and throughout the life of an IFRS Accounting Standards project to understand the views of Canadian interested and affected parties and influence the development of the standards. Newly issued or amended IFRS Accounting Standards are not part of Canadian generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) until the AcSB has endorsed and incorporated them into Part I of the Handbook. This document summarizes the endorsement activities the AcSB carried out as part of its due process. A separate document speaks more generally to the due process the Board follows in setting financial reporting standards, including the due process specifically related to IFRS Accounting Standards.<sup>1</sup>
- 2 Nothing in this document overrides the requirements of the Handbook.
- 3 As part of its due process, the IASB issues a basis for conclusions for each new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard that sets out its considerations in reaching its conclusions (including its technical decisions) on that standard. Interested and affected parties can refer to the IASB Basis for Conclusions to understand the considerations for the changes to the IFRS Accounting Standards summarized in this document.<sup>2</sup> The AcSB took into account these considerations as part of its endorsement activities.

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<sup>1</sup> The [AcSB Standard-setting Due Process Manual](#) describes the Board's process for endorsing IFRS Accounting Standards.

<sup>2</sup> The AcSB has undertaken to add to [Part I](#) certain basis for conclusions documents and other non-authoritative material issued by the IASB to accompany a particular IFRS Accounting Standard. The AcSB is doing so in phases, beginning with non-authoritative material relating to complex standards that have taken or will take effect soon.

## BACKGROUND

### IFRS Accounting Standards as an element of Canadian GAAP

- 4 [Part I](#) consists of IFRS Accounting Standards<sup>3</sup> except for the *IFRS for SMEs*<sup>®</sup> Accounting Standard.<sup>4</sup> For purposes of this document, any reference to IFRS Accounting Standards is exclusive of the SMEs Accounting Standard. The Preface to the Handbook sets out the categories of Canadian financial reporting entities required or permitted to apply IFRS Accounting Standards.
- 5 [Part I](#) contains IFRS Accounting Standards in effect for annual periods beginning on January 1 each year. IFRS Accounting Standards issued but not yet effective on a mandatory basis are provided in a separate section. Part I is updated to incorporate new or amended IFRS Accounting Standards that the AcSB has endorsed and incorporated into Canadian GAAP after completing its due process activities. To ensure the completeness of Part I, AcSB endorsement activities are completed as soon as possible after the IASB issues a new or amended standard.

## THE AcSB's DUE PROCESS – ENDORSING IFRS ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

- 6 Newly issued new or amended IFRS Accounting Standards are not part of Canadian GAAP until the AcSB has endorsed and incorporated them into [Part I](#) of the Handbook. As the national standard setter for Canada, the Board has the authority to incorporate new or amended IFRS Accounting Standards into Canadian GAAP and does so only after performing its endorsement activities.
- 7 The AcSB's endorsement activities consist of both assessing the due process activities the IASB undertook and applying its own due process. Specifically, it performs the following three steps before reaching a conclusion on whether a new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard is appropriate for application in Canada, and whether the Board should endorse and incorporate it into the Handbook:

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<sup>3</sup> The term "IFRS Accounting Standards" includes IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the IASB, International Accounting Standards (IAS<sup>®</sup> Standards) as issued by the IASB's predecessor, the Board of the International Accounting Standards Committee, and adopted by the IASB upon its inception, and Interpretations developed by the IFRS<sup>®</sup> Interpretations Committee (previously named the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee or its predecessor, the Standing Interpretations Committee).

<sup>4</sup> The *IFRS for SMEs* Accounting Standard is a self-contained standard the IASB designed to meet the needs and capabilities of small and medium-sized entities. The AcSB decided against endorsing the SMEs Accounting Standard for application by private enterprises. Instead, the AcSB developed the Accounting Standards for Private Enterprises set out in [Part II](#) of the Handbook.

## **Step 1: Gain an understanding of the new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard**

- 8 AcSB members learn about new guidance from the IASB long before a final new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard is issued. They are made aware of new IASB projects and the IASB's preliminary views on issues significant to Canada through:
- (a) updates from the AcSB staff, who monitors the IASB's activities throughout the project's life;
  - (b) reports from the AcSB Chair and Director on their participation in international meetings with the IASB and other standard setters; and
  - (c) discussions with other AcSB members who monitor and participate in IASB activities and inform the AcSB.

The AcSB deliberates the topics that are the subject of the IASB's projects during AcSB meetings, discussing the IASB's tentative and final decisions as appropriate given the topic, and the extent and significance of the proposed changes.

- 9 By maintaining a strong global presence on the international stage, the AcSB goes beyond simply understanding new or amended IFRS Accounting Standards to influencing their development. The AcSB influences IFRS Accounting Standards development by:
- (a) raising awareness among Canadian interested and affected parties;
  - (b) providing opportunities for interested and affected parties to make their views known;
  - (c) responding to documents for comment on the IASB's proposals; and
  - (d) leveraging round tables and other discussions.
- 10 Once the IASB issues a new or amended standard, AcSB members receive copies. AcSB members also receive accompanying material helpful for understanding the standard (e.g., the IASB's Basis for Conclusions, implementation guidance and illustrative examples). Building on knowledge gained from these activities, AcSB members familiarize themselves with the requirements of the new or amended standard through self-study and a review of additional information the AcSB staff provides. Depending on the nature and complexity of the new or amended standard, the AcSB's review occurs as part of its formal deliberations, or it is performed offline (i.e., outside AcSB meetings).
- 11 The AcSB staff provides additional information, including a précis of the standard and summaries of:
- (a) comments made by the AcSB on the relevant IASB exposure draft;

- (b) comments made by Canadians on the relevant IASB exposure draft and submitted to the IASB;
- (c) key changes the IASB made to the proposals in its exposure draft;<sup>5</sup> and
- (d) possible challenges to Canadians in applying the new or amended standard.

The AcSB staff also informs members, in general terms, on the degree to which the new or amended standard produces common financial reporting outcomes with U.S. GAAP.

## **Step 2: Assess the IASB's due process in developing the new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard**

- 12 The IASB issues IFRS Accounting Standards according to its own due process. To rely on the IASB's due process, the AcSB has put in place procedures to fulfill its responsibilities under its Terms of Reference. On a project-by-project basis, the AcSB staff does the following:
  - (a) Monitors the IASB's activities to ensure that the IASB is following its due process. For example, the AcSB staff may perform the following activities and highlight the results for the AcSB:
    - (i) read its meeting agenda papers;
    - (ii) monitor its meeting discussions;
    - (iii) review other project-related material on its website; and
    - (iv) discuss issues with IASB members and staff.
  - (b) Reviews documentation on the IASB's and the IFRS® Foundation Due Process Oversight Committee's assessment of whether the IASB has met its due process for the project. In most cases, the Committee's meeting reports include a direct statement on whether the IASB has complied with due process.
  - (c) Raises to the AcSB any potential areas of concern.
- 13 When asking the AcSB to vote on whether a new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard should be endorsed and incorporated into Part I, the AcSB staff provides its assessment of whether there are any indications that the IASB has not met its due process requirements.
- 14 When casting their vote, each AcSB member is required to record whether they are satisfied that the IASB has followed its due process appropriately.

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<sup>5</sup> The IASB redeliberates its proposals in accordance with its due process after considering comments received from the public, including those from Canadians. As part of its redeliberation process, the IASB considers whether changes to its proposals are necessary, and where changes are made, whether re-exposure is necessary. As a result of the summaries described in [paragraphs 11\(a\)-\(d\)](#), the AcSB knows about the key issues Canadians raised and the results of the IASB's redeliberation pertaining to those issues.

### **Step 3: Evaluate whether the requirements of the new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard are appropriate for application in Canada**

- 15 The AcSB's due process requires that it obtain views of interested and affected parties on proposed changes to Canadian GAAP. For Part I, the AcSB meets this requirement, in part, by publishing its own "wraparound" exposure draft of the IASB's exposure draft of the proposed IFRS Accounting Standard. In its exposure draft, the AcSB notes that the IASB has followed due process in developing the proposals and asks interested and affected parties for input on whether the proposed new or amended standard is appropriate for application in Canada.
- 16 The AcSB considers the need for additional outreach depending on the topic, and the extent and significance of the proposed changes. Additional outreach may include the following:
  - (a) Seeking input from its advisory committees and groups.
  - (b) Holding public round tables on the IASB's proposals.
  - (c) Performing other outreach activities, including meetings with affected groups or individuals.
  - (d) Leveraging its international network to provide opportunities for Canadians to meet face to face with IASB members and staff to discuss key issues.

The AcSB may decide such additional activities are necessary when, for example, it judges the proposals to be particularly complex or controversial based on input received to date.

- 17 The AcSB considers input from interested and affected parties, including responses to its wraparound exposure draft, and considers these concerns based on what is in the Canadian public interest. The Board identifies any Canadian circumstances that could affect its conclusion on whether a new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard is appropriate for application in Canada and should be endorsed and incorporated into the Handbook.
- 18 The AcSB considers the information obtained through these three steps to decide whether there is a compelling reason why a standard that the IASB developed and adopted in accordance with its due process would not be suitable for application in Canada. The AcSB endorses the standard for incorporation into Part I where, in its judgment, no such reason exists.
- 19 The AcSB monitors new or amended standards after they are incorporated into [Part I](#) to ensure that no issues arise, calling into question their suitability in Canada. It does this through:
  - (a) outreach activities with interested and affected parties;
  - (b) its advisory committees, including the [IFRS® Accounting Standards Discussion Group](#), [User Advisory Committee](#) and [Academic Advisory Committee](#);

- (c) its transition resource groups, including the [Insurance Transition Resource Group](#) (on an as-needed basis for [IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts](#)); and
- (d) participation in IASB post-implementation reviews of new standards.

## DOCUMENTING ENDORSEMENT ACTIVITIES

- 20 The AcSB issues a summary of its endorsement activities to communicate the actions taken and the considerations that Board members deemed significant in deciding to endorse and incorporate into Canadian GAAP new and amended IFRS Accounting Standards. The Board may decide to issue a single (omnibus) document for all changes to [Part I](#) resulting from the endorsement and incorporation of new and amended IFRS Accounting Standards during a year.
- 21 The AcSB's summary of endorsement activities does not reproduce the documentation it used to understand each new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard incorporated into [Part I](#). IASB material that AcSB staff used to facilitate that understanding is available on the IASB's website. This includes:
- (a) IASB Updates;
  - (b) documents for comment;
  - (c) project summaries;
  - (d) feedback statements; and
  - (e) comment letters from Canadians and the AcSB (see [paragraph 11](#)).

Instead, the AcSB's summary of endorsement activities focuses on Steps 2 and 3 of its due process and the activities it has performed in deciding to endorse and incorporate each new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard into Canadian GAAP.

## 2025 CHANGES TO PART I

- 22 During 2025, the AcSB made changes to [Part I](#) to incorporate new or amended IFRS Accounting Standards the IASB issued. The [Appendix](#) summarizes the AcSB's endorsement activities for each change. Responses to its wraparound exposure drafts that simply reproduce the respondent's comment letter to the IASB are not reflected in the Appendix. The IASB considered the points raised as part of its due process.

## APPENDIX

### New or amended IFRS Accounting Standards incorporated into Part I in 2025: Summary of AcSB due process – Endorsement activities by standard

| Date issued by the IASB                                                                                                                                         | Step 2: Assess the IASB's due process in developing the new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Step 3: Evaluate whether the requirements of the new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard are appropriate for application in Canada                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Date issued in Part I |
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|                                                                                                                                                                 | AcSB review of IASB due process compliance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | AcSB Exposure Draft corresponding to IASB Exposure Draft                                                                                                                                            | Other outreach activities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                       |
| Contracts Referencing Nature-dependent Electricity<br>(Amendments to IFRS 9 <i>Financial Instruments</i> and IFRS 7 <i>Financial Instruments: Disclosures</i> ) |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                       |
| December 2024                                                                                                                                                   | At its March 2025 meeting, the IFRS Foundation's Due Process Oversight Committee discussed a paper updating the due process for the IASB's standard-setting activities, including these amendments. It was reported that, at its October 2024 meeting, the IASB confirmed that it was satisfied it had complied with all due process steps. | AcSB Exposure Draft was issued in June 2024 with no responses received. Information demonstrating the completion of Step 3 was reviewed by the AcSB as part of the January 2025 balloting material. | <a href="#">IFRS Accounting Standards Discussion Group</a> (May 2024)<br><a href="#">User Advisory Committee</a> (October 2023, February 2024 and June 2024)<br>Targeted outreach meetings with interested and affected parties (November 2023 and June 2024) | February 2025         |

| Date issued by the IASB                                                              | Step 2: Assess the IASB's due process in developing the new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Step 3: Evaluate whether the requirements of the new or amended IFRS Accounting Standard are appropriate for application in Canada                                                                       |                                                                                   | Date issued in Part I |
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|                                                                                      | AcSB review of IASB due process compliance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | AcSB Exposure Draft corresponding to IASB Exposure Draft                                                                                                                                                 | Other outreach activities                                                         |                       |
| Amendments to IFRS 19 <i>Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures</i> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                   |                       |
| August 2025                                                                          | At its June 2025 meeting, the IFRS Foundation's Due Process Oversight Committee discussed a paper updating the due process for the IASB's standard-setting activities, including these amendments. It was reported that, at its March 2025 meeting, the IASB confirmed that it was satisfied it had complied with all due process steps. | AcSB Exposure Draft was issued in September 2024 with no responses received. Information demonstrating the completion of Step 3 was reviewed by the AcSB as part of the October 2025 balloting material. | Due to the nature of the amendments, no other outreach activities were performed. | December 2025         |

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