#### **Current Liabilities**

**Study Unit 13** 

#### Introduction

# What do we need to know about Current Liabilities?

- Recognition
- Measurement
  - Initial measurement
  - Subsequent measurement
- Disclosure

#### What are current liabilities?

- Represents a present obligation arising from past events
- Settlement is expected to require outflow of economic benefits
- Current liabilities are expected to be settled within one year of the financial statement date

#### **Recording – Trade creditors**

# Recording

- Purchases Journal
- Purchases Returns Journal
- Creditors Ledger
- General Ledger

# **Creditors Ledger**

#### Reliable Suppliers

Date	Doc No	Details	Fol	Debit	Credit	Balance
		Purchases Purchases	PJ		xxx	xxx
		Returns	PRJ	XXX		xxx
		Payment Settlement Discount	CPJ	xxx		xxx
		Granted	CRJ	xxx		xxx

## **Settlement Discount Received**

- Encouragement from creditors to settle our debts sooner
  - The purchase is recognised, as is the creditor (in both the Creditors Ledger and General Ledger (Creditors Control)
  - The settlement discount is recognised, it is not a reversal of the purchase, or a dedit note
  - It will have it's own account in the GL, but when disclosing
     Cost of Sales in the Statement of Profit or Loss, it is
     deducted from Purchases, showing the net amount

#### **Creditors: Reconciliation between**

#### **CL and GL**

# **Example**

• Study Guide Page 268, Exercise 13.2. Tip-Top Traders

Note the information provided and the difference in posting between the General Ledger and Creditors

Ledger

#### **Other Current Liabilities**

# Value Added Tax Payable

- VAT Output VAT Input = VAT Payable
- We create a VAT Payable Control Account to determine the VAT Payable... this represents a liability which will need to be settled shortly, thus a current liability

#### **Current portion of long-term loans**

- Long-term loans are loans that will be settled over more than one financial year
- However, a portion of that will need to be settled within the next 12 months. This portion needs to be disclosed as a current liability

# **Accrued Expenses**

- Expenses that relate to the financial year, but haven't been paid yet
  - Water & Electricity
  - Telephone etc
- These need to be settled shortly, thus will be current liabilities

#### **Provisions**

- These are obligations, for which the precise amount is not known, and will only be known at a later date
- Eg: Provision for Warranties
  - You produce goods, sell them with a guarantee to repair them if they break within a year. There will be costs related to those repairs, and they will relate to the SALE that was made, thus the estimated costs should be recognised in the year in which the goods were sold

#### **Disclosure**



## **Statement of Financial Position**

Current Liabilities	
Trade and other Payables	×××
Income Received in Advance	×××
Other Financial Liabilities	×××
Current portion of long-term	
loans	×××
Current VAT Payable	×××