

Processing accounting data

Study Unit 5(B)

Study Unit 5B: Processing Accounting Data

Value Added Tax - Introduction

Lecture 1

What is VAT?

- Check out the infographic on Value Added Tax

Note the difference between Output and Input
VAT, and the fact that each merchant /
customer through the process charges / claims

VAT

Lecture 1

Value Added Tax

- VAT is levied by the government on the supply of goods and services
 - It is levied on most goods, from the raw materials, through the production phase, up to sale to the customer
- VAT is currently at 14%
- ‘Taxable Supplies’ means any good / service which is chargeable with tax

Taxable Supplies

- Two types of taxable supplies:
 - Standard rate (14%)
 - Zero-rated (0%)
- Zero-rated supplies:
 - Brown bread, samp, lentils, maize meal
 - Petrol, diesel, crude oil
 - Certain exported goods

Zero-rated

- Why have VAT at 0%?
 - This means that the seller charges VAT at 0% (Output VAT), but can still claim VAT at 14% on their purchases (Input VAT)

Exempt Supplies

- These are exempted from VAT
 - This means that the seller charges no VAT (Output VAT), and can claim no VAT on their purchases (Input VAT)

Are you comfortable with the difference
between Zero-rated and exempt supplies?

Exam questions?

- We've looked at the accounting process so far, without taking VAT into account.
- The accounting process must deal with VAT, and all of the Study Unit 5 questions could be given to you with VAT built in

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Value Added Tax - Calculations

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VAT at 14%

- When a vendor sells their goods, they will have to add VAT to their selling price
 - Remember, they can't make VAT part of their selling price, since they have to pay the VAT to SARS
- So, if they want to sell an item for R100, they will add 14% to the selling price: $R100 \times 14\% = R14$
Total selling price (VAT incl): $R100 + R14 = R114$

VAT at 14%

- Another example, if they want to sell an item for R80, they will add 14% to the selling price:

$$R80 \times 14\% = R11.20$$

$$\text{Total selling price (VAT incl): } R80 + R11.20 = R91.20$$

- The VAT exclusive amount is R80
- The VAT inclusive amount is R91.20
- The VAT is R11.20

14% or 0.14

- Another way of calculating this is as follows:

$$R80 \times 0.14 = 11.20$$

Multiplying the amount by 0.14 is the same as
multiplying by 14%

114% or 1.14

- We've looked at calculating the VAT first, then adding the VAT to the selling price. We could do this in one step:

$$R80 \times 114\% = R91.20$$

OR

$$R80 \times 1.14 = R91.20$$

Make sure you are comfortable with these calculations

Lecture 3

VAT Excl / Incl

- Can you calculate the VAT exclusive amount if you're given the inclusive amount?
 - Remember: The VAT inclusive amount represents 114% of the selling price

Can you calculate the exclusive amount if the inclusive amount is R120

Calculating VAT excl amounts

- If the inclusive amount is R120...
- VAT exclusive amount: $R120 / 114 \times 100 = R105.26$
- VAT amount: $R120 / 114 \times 14 = R14.74$

- What if the inclusive amount is R156?

Be flexible with your calculations!

In exams, you could be given the exclusive or inclusive amount... make sure that you can work out the VAT amount

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Value Added Tax – General Journal & General Ledger

Lecture 5

How do you account for VAT?

- The sales journal without VAT:
- Eg: 1 Aug - Cash Sales of R120 (no VAT)

Date	Details	Fol	Debit	Credit
1 Aug	Bank		120	
	Sales			120
	Cash Sales			

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How do you account for VAT?

- The sales journal with VAT:
- Eg: 1 Aug - Cash Sales of R120 (VAT excl)

Date	Details	Fol	Debit	Credit
1 Aug	Bank	B1	136.80	
	Sales	N1		120.00
	Value Added Tax	B2		16.80
	Cash Sales			

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Posting to GL

Dr Bank B1 Cr

<u>Date</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Fol</u>	<u>Amount</u>		<u>Date</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Fol</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1 Aug	Sales	J1	136.80					

Dr Sales N1 Cr

<u>Date</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Fol</u>	<u>Amount</u>		<u>Date</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Fol</u>	<u>Amount</u>
					1 Aug	Bank	J1	120.00

Dr Value Added Tax B2 Cr

<u>Date</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Fol</u>	<u>Amount</u>		<u>Date</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Fol</u>	<u>Amount</u>
					1 Aug	Bank	J1	16.80

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How do you account for VAT?

- The sales journal with VAT:
- Eg: 1 Aug - Cash Sales of R120 (VAT incl)

Date	Details	Fol	Debit	Credit
1 Aug	Bank	B1	120,00	
	Sales	N1		105,26
	Value Added Tax	B2		14,74
	Cash Sales			

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Pay attention to detail!

Notice the different amounts in the two previous examples because of the VAT excl & incl difference.