## **Study Unit 3**

# Changes in the ownership structure of partnerships

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

#### Introduction

- Partnership is not a separate legal entity
- Therefore if the partners change the partnership changes!
  - Refer to common law
  - New partnership agreement
  - Old partnership dissolves
  - New partnership formed
- This can happen when:
  - New partner admitted
  - Partner dies
  - Partner retires
  - Profit sharing ratio changes

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#### THE STEPS TO PROCESS – AN OVERVIEW

#### Steps

#### **Dissolve old partnership**

- 1. Record valuation adjustments (assets including existing goodwill & liabilities) in a valuation account
- 2. Close off the valuation account to the capital accounts of the old partners (including the retiring partner if died then the estate thereof)
- 3. Close off current account balances to capital accounts of old partners
- 4. Close off drawings account directly to capital accounts of old partners
- 5. Close off and apportion reserves to capital accounts of old partners
- 6. Create Goodwill that is initially acquired (if applicable)
- 7. Record settlement of retiring / dead partner (if applicable)
- 8. Record the dissolution of the old partnership (the Transferral Account)

#### Record the new partnership

- 9. Record the formation of the new partnership
- 10. Reinstate reserves if new partners decide to do so
- 11. Adjust capital account balances of new partners to the profit sharing ratio

## STEP 1: RECORD VALUATION ADJUSTMENTS

### What and why – valuation account

- Old partners want their equity to be shown at fair value!
  - Equity = Assets Liabilities
- Therefore:
  - Assets (including goodwill) must be at fair value
  - Liabilities must be at fair value
- Need to do some valuation adjustments
  - Adjustment in an existing asset or liability account of an existing partnership in preparation of its dissolution

### **Step 1: Valuation Adjustments**

**Asset Valuation Adjustments** 

**Liability Valuation Adjustment** 

#### ASSETS on the DEBIT side

Debit Asset X

Credit Valuation Account X

LIABILITIES on the CREDIT side

Debit Valuation Account X

Credit Liability X

Note: Assets include existing goodwill

#### **ASSETS** on the CREDIT side

Debit Valuation Account X
Credit Asset X

#### LIABILITIES on the DEBIT side

Debit Liability X

Credit Valuation Account X

## **Step 1: Valuation Account**

Debit <b>V</b> a	aluatio	luation Account		
Liability 1 (if increase) Provision (if increase) Financial Liability (if increase) Asset 2 (if decrease) Debtors: Allowance for Credit losses) (if decrease)	X X X X	Asset 1 (if increase) PPE (if increase) Goodwill (if increase) Liability 2 (if decrease)	X X X	
Balance ?	XX		XX	

## STEP 2: CLOSE OFF VALUATION ACCOUNT TO THE CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

# Step 2: Valuation Account to Capital Account

Debit Va	luatio	Credit	
Liability 1 (if increase) Provision (if increase) Financial Liability (if increase) Asset 2 (if decrease) Debtors: Allowance for Credit losses) (if decrease)	X X X X	Asset 1 (if increase) PPE (if increase) Goodwill (if increase) Liability 2 (if decrease)	X X X
Balance Capital Account Capital Account: ABC Capital Account: XYZ	X X X		
_	XX		XX

# Step 2: Valuation Account to Capital Account Journal

Valuation AccountXCapital Account: ABCXCapital Account: XYZX

#### Note:

- The valuation account is closed off to each of the existing (old) partners Capital Accounts
  - Including retired or deceased partner
- Apportioned in line with old profit sharing ratio

### **Capital Account**

Debit	Capital Account – Partner ABC	Credit
	Opening Balance b/c  Valuation Account	y X

#### **HOMEWORK – UNISA SG Exercise 3.1**

#### Homework

- Please attempt exercise 3.1
- UNISA study guide page 35
- Make your own attempt before proceeding with the video solution

## STEP3: CLOSE OFF CURRENT ACCOUNTS TO CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

## Remember the Current Account? CREDIT BALANCE

Debit Current A	ccour	nt – Partner ABC Cred	dit
		Opening Balance b/d	X
Interest on Drawings (Appropriation	) X	Interest on Capital (Appropriation)	X
		Interest on Curr Acc (Appropriation)	X
		Partner ABC Salaries (Appropriation)	X
		Partner ABC Bonus (Appropriation)	X
Drawings Account: Partner A	X	Appropriation Account (share of available profit)	X
Balance c/d	X		
	XX		XX
Capital Account: ABC		Balance b/d	X
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# Step 3: Current Accounts to Capital Account Journal

Current Account: ABC (if DR bal) X
Current Account: XYZ (if DR bal) X
Capital Account: ABC X

Capital Account: XYZ X

#### **Capital Account**

Debit	Capital Account	Credit	
		Opening Balance b/d	Х
		Valuation Account	X
		Current Account: ABC	X

# STEP 4: CLOSE OFF DRAWINGS ACCOUNTS TO CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

## Remember the Drawings Account

Debit	<b>Drawings A</b>	ccoun	t - Partner ABC	Credit
Bank		X		
Inventory		X		
Assets			X	
Entertainment ex	pense	X		
Stationery expens	se	X		
		XX	Capital Account: ABC	X

# Step 4: Drawings Accounts to Capital Account Journal

Capital Account: ABC X

Capital Account: XYZ X

Drawings Account: ABC X

Drawings Account: XYZ X

### **Capital Account**

Debit	Debit Capital Account – Partner ABC				
Drawings Aco	count: ABC	X	Opening Balance b/d	X	
J			Valuation Account	X	
			Current Account: ABC	X	

## STEP 5: CLOSE OFF RESERVES TO CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

#### Reserves?

- In study unit 2 we noted that partners can transfer some of the available profits into reserves such as the Asset Replacement Reserve (there may be others).
- We need to allocate these reserves back to the partners for dissolution
  - Note that partners may choose to reinstate the reserves in the new partnership.

# Step 5: Reserves to Capital Account Journal

Asset replacement reserve	X	
Other Reserve 1	X	
Capital Account: ABC		X
Capital Account: XYZ		X

#### Note:

- The reserves are closed off to each of the existing (old) partners
   Capital Accounts including retired or deceased partner
- Apportioned in line with old profit sharing ratio

## **Capital Account**

Debit	Debit Capital Account – Partner ABC				
Drawings Acco	unt: ABC	Х	Opening Balance b/d	X	
<b>3</b>			Valuation Account	X	
			Current Account: ABC	Χ	
			Asset replacement reserve	X	
			Other Reserve 1	X	

#### **STEP 6: GOODWILL ACQUIRED**

#### **Goodwill?**

- Formal definition:
  - Future Economic Benefits arising from assets that are not capable of being individually identified and recognised (IFRS 3).
- Two types:
  - 1. Acquired goodwill
    - Amount paid in excess of net asset value
    - Recognised in the SFP
  - 2. Internally generated goodwill
    - Not recognised

## **Goodwill in Partnerships**

- Calculated when a new partner is admitted, and
  - No Goodwill was previously recorded in the old (existing) partnership
- Initially recorded at cost:
  - Cost of the business acquirers interest in the net asset value (at fair values)
- Subsequently:
  - Cost less accumulated impairment losses

## Step 6: Goodwill Acquired Journal

Goodwill (acquired) X
Capital Account: ABC X
Capital Account: XYZ X

#### Note:

- The Goodwill is allocated to existing (old) partners Capital Accounts including retired or deceased partner
- Apportioned in line with old profit sharing ratio

## **Capital Account**

Debit	Capital	tal Account – Partner ABC		
Drawings Account: ABC	it: ABC	X	Opening Balance b/d	X
		Valuation Account	X	
			Current Account: ABC	X
			Asset replacement reserve	X
			Other Reserve 1	X
			Goodwill (acquired)	X

## **Calculation of Goodwill Acquired**

	R
Total capital (equity) value of new partnership	X
• New partner capital contribution X (1/new partners %)	
Equity value of new partnership prior to Goodwill (Net Asset Value)	(X)
Goodwill Acquired	X

#### **Goodwill Acquired example**

- Mr Blue is a new partner to the Rainbow Trading Partnership, along with the existing partners being Mr Green and Mrs Red (previously 50:50)
- Mr Blue makes a capital contribution of R2 000 cash in order to access a profit share of 10%.
- The net asset value of the partnership before this capital contribution is R5 000

#### **Required:**

Calculate the Goodwill acquire for the Rainbow Partnership.

## Solution – Goodwill Acquired

	R
Total capital (equity) value of new partnership	R20 000
<ul> <li>New partner capital contribution X (1/new partners %)</li> <li>R2 000 X (1/10%)</li> </ul>	
Equity value of new partnership prior to Goodwill (Net Asset Value) (R5 000 + R2 000)	(R7 000)
Goodwill Acquired	R13 000

# STEP 7: SETTLEMENT OF RETIRING / DECEASED PARTNER (if applicable)

## Retiring / deceased partner

- The retiring or deceased partners Capital Account is closed off.
- The balance that is due to the partner is then settled with:
  - A cash payment (Bank)
  - An amount payable (loan account) with the retiring partner / deceased estate
  - There could be an asset distributed other than cash (eg an item of PPE or inventory)

### Retiring partner GL: Capital Account

Debit Capital Acc	Capital Account – Retiring partner		
Drawings Account: ABC	Х	Opening Balance b/d	X
Balance	X_	Valuation Account	X
Bank	X	Current Account: ABC	X
<b>Loan Account: Retiring Partner</b>	X	Asset replacement reserve	X
Other assets (PPE / Inventory)	x	Other Reserve 1	X
		Goodwill (acquired)	X
	XX		XX

## **Step 7: Settlement Journal**

Capital Account: Retiring Partner	X	
Bank		X
Loan Account: Retiring Partner		X
Other assets (PPE / Inventory)		X

## STEP 8: DISSOLUTION OF THE PARTNERSHIP – TRANSFERRAL ACCOUNT

### **Transferral Account**

- We have closed off all the asset, liability and capital accounts and now have final balances.
- Pass two journals:
  - 1. Transfer all DEBIT balance accounts (assets) to the Transferral Account and reduce debits to RNil.
  - 2. Transfer all CREDIT balance accounts (Equity: Capital Accounts, Liabilities, Allowance for Credit Losses) to the Transferral Account and reduce credits to RNil.

## Step 8.1: Transfer Debit Balances to Transferral Account

Transferral Account	X	
Land & Buildings		X
Goodwill		X
Inventory		X
Debtors Control (Gross Debtors)		X
Other assets		X
Bank		X

# Step 8.2: Transfer CREDIT Balances to Transferral Account

Capital Account: ABC	X	
Capital Account: XYZ	X	
Financial Liability	X	
Allowance for Credit Losses	X	
Provision	X	
Other liabilities	X	
Transferral Account		X

### **GL: Transferral Account**

Debit Tra	ansferra	l Account	Credit
Land & Buildings	X	Capital Account: ABC	X
Goodwill	X	Capital Account: XYZ	X
Inventory	X	Financial Liability	X
Debtors Control (Gross Debtors)	X	Allowance for Credit Losses	X
Other assets	X	Provision	X
Bank	X	Other liabilities	X
	XX		XX

## **Capital Account**

X	Opening Balance b/d	X
	Valuation Account	X
Y	Current Account: ABC	X
^	Asset replacement reserve	X
	Other Reserve 1	X
	Goodwill (acquired)	X
XX		XX
	<b>X</b>	Valuation Account  Current Account: ABC Asset replacement reserve Other Reserve 1 Goodwill (acquired)

## **Old Partnership Dissolved**

- You have now finished dissolving the old partnership!
- Add up the debits and credits on the Transferral Account and you will net to R Nil!
- What's next?
  - Record the formation of the new partnership......
    - STEP 9

## STEP 9: RECORD THE FORMATION OF THE NEW PARTNERSHIP

### Form the new Partnership

- 9.1 Account for capital contributions of the original partners in the NEW PARTNERSHIP:
  - Record the Capital Accounts for each of the old partners joining the new partnership
  - Account for the assets and liabilities that are contributed to the new partnership by the original partners,
  - NB do this in a separate journal for each of the remaining original partners and
  - Bring in assets and liabilities in the partner's capital contribution ratio
- 9.2 Account for the capital contribution of the new partner
  - Create a new Capital Account for the newly admitted partner and record any capital contributions therein.

# Step 9.1: Capital contribution of original partners (in % ratio)

```
X
Land & Buildings (x%)
                                          X
Goodwill (x%)
Inventory (x%)
                                          X
Debtors Control (Gross Debtors) ( x %)
                                          X
Other assets (x%)
                                          X
                                          X
Bank ( x %)
            Financial Liability (x%)
                                                              X
           Allowance for Credit Losses (x%)
            Provision (x%)
                                                              X
                                                              X
            Other liabilities ( x %)
            Capital Account: ABC (new partnership)
                                                              X
```

## GL: Capital Account original partner – new partnership

Debit	Capital Ac	count: ABC	Credit
Financial Liability (%) Allowance for Credit Losses ( Provision (%) Other liabilities (%) Balance: c/d	X X X X X	Land & Buildings (%) Goodwill (%) Inventory (%) Debtors Control (Gross De Other assets (%) Bank (%)	X X X ebtors) (%)X X X
	XX		XX
		Balance: b/d (before adjusting profit sha	X ring ratios)

# Step 9.2: Capital contribution of the new partner

Create a new Capital Account for the newly admitted partner and record any capital contributions therein.

Bank	X	
Other assets	X	
Capital Account: Newbie		X

# GL: Capital Account new partner – new partnership

Debit	Capital Account: Newbie		Credit
		Bank	X
Balance: c/d	X	Other assets	X
	XX		XX
		Balance: b/d	X

## STEP 10: REINSTATE RESERVES (if partners decide to reinstate)

### **Step 10: Reinstate Reserves**

• If the new partnership partners decide to, they can reinstate the reserves (such as the Asset Replacement Reserve):

Capital Account: ABC	X	
Capital Account: XYZ	X	
Capital Account: Newbie	X	
Asset Replacement Reserve / Other	Reserves	X

### **GL: Capital Account**

<b>Debit</b>	Capital Ac	count: ABC	Credit
Financial Liability	Х	Land & Buildings	Χ
Allowance for Credit Losses	X	Goodwill	X
Provision	X	Inventory	X
Other liabilities	Χ	Debtors Control (Gross Debtors	s) X
Asset Replacement Reserve	x X	Other assets	X
Other Reserves	X	Bank	X
Balance: c/d	X		
	XX		XX
		Balance: b/d	X
		(before adjusting profit sharing	ratios)

## STEP 11: ADJUST CAPITAL ACCOUNTS TO NEW PROFIT SHARING RATIO

(if partners wish to / you are instructed to do so)

### **Capital Accounts vs Profit Sharing Ratio**

# Partner contributions / withdrawals to balance profit share ratios

**Partner Contributes** 

To bring Capital Account in line with profit sharing ratio

Bank / other assets	X	
Loan account receivable	X	
Capital Account: ABC		X

Partner Withdraws

To bring Capital Account in line with profit sharing ratio

Capital Account: XYZ	X	
Bank / other assets		X
Loan account payable		X

### **GL: Capital Account**

Debit	Capital Ac	count: ABC	Credit
Financial Liability	Х	Land & Buildings	X
Allowance for Credit Losses	X	Goodwill	X
Provision	X	Inventory	X
Other liabilities	X	Debtors Control (Gross Debtor	rs) X
Asset Replacement Reserve	×	Other assets	X
Other Reserves	X	Bank	X
Balance: c/d	X		
	XX		XX
		Balance: b/d (before adjusting profit sharing	X ratios)
		Bank / other assets	X
Balance: c/d	X	Loan account receivable	X
	XX		XX
		Balance: b/d	X

### **GL: Capital Account**

Debit	<b>Capital Ac</b>	count: XYZ	Credit
Financial Liability	Х	Land & Buildings	X
Allowance for Credit Losses	X	Goodwill	X
Provision	X	Inventory	X
Other liabilities	X	Debtors Control (Gross Debtor	s) X
Asset Replacement Reserve	e X	Other assets	X
Other Reserves	X	Bank	X
Balance: c/d	X		
	XX		XX
Bank / other assets	X	Balance: b/d	X
Loan account payable	X	(before adjusting profit sharing	ratios)
Balance: c/d	X		
	XX		XX
		Balance: b/d	X

### **Calculations**

- i. Admission of new partner:
  - a) Reduction shared proportionately
  - b) Reduction shared equally
  - c) New profit sharing ratio
- ii. Retirement / death of a partner
- iii. Concurrent retirement and admission

## NEW PROFIT SHARING RATIO CALC: i) ADMISSION OF NEW PARTNER

# i. Admission of new partner a. Reduction shared proportionately

- Allan and Barry were in a partnership and shared profits in a ratio 2:3.
- A new partner, Carol was admitted and allocated a 20% (1/5) profit share.
- Allan and Barry reduced their profit share in proportion to their original ratios

#### **Required:**

Calculate the profit sharing ratio of the new partnership

### i. a. Solution - ratios

	OLD	Calculation	NEW	%
Α	2	2/5 - (1/5 x 2/5) = 10/25 - 2/25 = 8/25	8	32%
В	3	3/5 - (1/5 x 3/5) = 15/25-3/25 = 12/25	12	48%
С	0	0/5 + 1/5 = 5/25	5	20%
	5		25	100%

### i. a. Solution - percentages

	OLD %	Calculation	NEW %	Ratio
Α	2/5 = 40%	40% - (40% x 20%)	32%	8
В	3/5 = 60%	60% - (60% x 20%)	48%	12
С	0/5 = 0%	0% + 1/5 = 0% + 20%	20%	5
	5/5 = 100%		100%	25

# i. Admission of new partner b. Reduction shared equally

- Allan and Barry were in a partnership and shared profits in a ratio 2:3.
- A new partner, Carol was admitted and allocated a 20% (1/5) profit share.
- Allan and Barry reduced their profit share equally

#### **Required:**

Calculate the profit sharing ratio of the new partnership

#### i. b. Solution - ratios

	OLD	Calculation	NEW	%
Α	2	$2/5 - (1/5 \times 1/2) = 4/10 - 1/10 = 3/10$	3	30%
В	3	$3/5 - (1/5 \times 1/2) = 6/10 - 1/10 = 5/10$	5	50%
С	0	0/5 + 1/5 = 0/10 + 2/10 = 2/10	2	20%
	5		5	100%

### i. b. Solution - percentages

	OLD %	Calculation	NEW %	Ratio
Α	2/5 = 40%	40% - (50% x 20%)	30%	3
В	3/5 = 60%	60% - (50% x 20%)	50%	5
С	0/5 = 0%	0% + 1/5 = 0% + 20%	20%	2
	5/5 = 100%		100%	5

# i. Admission of new partnerc. New Profit Sharing Ratio

- Allan and Barry were in a partnership and shared profits in a ratio 2:3.
- A new partner, Carol was admitted and allocated a 20% (1/5) profit share.
- Allan and Barry reduced their profit share in a 1:2 ratio

### **Required:**

Calculate the profit sharing ratio of the new partnership

### i. c. Solution - ratios

	OLD	Calculation	NEW	%
Α	2	2/5 - (1/5 x 1/3) = 6/15 - 1/15 = 5/15	5	33.3%
В	3	$3/5 - (1/5 \times 2/3) = 9/15 - 2/15 = 7/15$	7	46.7%
С	0	0/5 + 1/5 = 0/15 + 3/15 = 3/15	3	20%
	5		15	100%

### i. c. Solution - percentages

	OLD %	Calculation	NEW %	Ratio
Α	2/5 = 40%	40% - (20% x 33.3%)	33.3%	5
В	3/5 = 60%	60% - (20% x 66.4%)	46.7%	7
С	0/5 = 0%	0% + 1/5 = 0% + 20%	20%	3
	5/5 = 100%		100%	15

## NEW PROFIT SHARING RATIO CALC: ii) RETIRMENT / DEATH OF PARTNER

### ii. Retirement / death of a partner

- Allan, Barry and Carol were in a partnership and shared profits in a ratio 5:4:1.
- Carol died in a sky diving accidents and the remaining partners decided to carry on the business in a new partnership in the same profit sharing ratio.

#### **Required:**

Calculate the profit sharing ratio of the new partnership

### ii. Solution – ratios & %

	OLD	Calculation	NEW	%
Α	5/10 = 50%	5/(10-1) = 5/9	5	55.6%
В	4/10 = 40%	4/(10-1) = 4/9	4	44.6%
С	1/10 = 10%	1/10 - 1/10 = 0	0	0%
	10/10=100%		9	100%

## NEW PROFIT SHARING RATIO CALC: iii) RETIRMENT & ADMISSION

#### iii. Concurrent retirement & admission

- Allan, Barry and Carol were in a partnership and shared profits in a ratio 3:2:1.
- Carol retired and a new partner, Dean was admitted.
- It was agreed that Allan and Barry would take over 66.7% (2/3) of Carol's profit share equally, and the remaining 33.3% (1/3) would be allocated to Dean.

#### **Required:**

Calculate the profit sharing ratio of the new partnership

#### iii. Solution - ratios

	OLD	Calculation	NEW	%
Α	3	3/6 + [(1/6 x 2/3) x ½] = 9/18 +[2/18 x ½] = 9/18 + 1/18 = 10/18	10	55.6%
В	2	2/6 + [(1/6 x 2/3) x ½] = 6/18 +[2/18 x ½] = 6/18 + 1/18 = 7/18	7	38.8%
С	1	1/6 - 1/6 = 0	0	0%
D	0	0/6 + [1/6 x 1/3] = 0/18 + 1/18	1	5.6%
	6		18	100%

### iii. Solution - percentages

	OLD %	Calculation	NEW %	Ratio
Α	3/6=50%	50% + [(16.7% x 2/3) x ½]	55.6%	10
В	2/6=33.3%	33.3% + [(16.7% x 2/3) x ½]	38.8%	7
С	1/6=16.7%	16.7% - 16.7%	0%	0
D	0/6=0%	0% + (16.7% x 1/3)	5.6%	1
	6/6=100%		100%	18

#### **HOMEWORK – UNISA SG Exercise 3.2**

### Homework

- Please attempt exercise 3.2
- UNISA study guide page 37
- Make your own attempt before proceeding with the video solution