

## INVENTORY

### Definition of Inventories by AASB 102

- Held for sale in the ordinary course of business;
- In the process of production for such sale;
- In the form of materials or supplies to be consumed in the production process

Inventories ≠ Fixed Assets

### Cost of Inventories

Upon acquisition, inventory should be recorded at cost

### Freight Costs

Costs for transporting the inventory. May be incurred by the seller or allocated into new account

### Operating Cycles

*Service Business*, Perform Services → rise in A/R → send invoices → receive cash

*Merchandising Business*, Inventory → sells inventory → rise in A/R → send invoices → receive cash

### Classifying Inventory

#### *Raw Materials*

Materials will be used in production process

#### *Working in Progress*

Materials already started in production process but not yet completed

#### *Finished Goods*

Completed manufactured items that are ready for sale

### Periodic System

Cost of Sales are determined only at end of accounting period by a physical inventory count and the revenues is recorded when the sale is made

THE MAIN DIFFERENCES IS WHEN THE COS IS COMPUTED

### To determine CoS (Cost of Goods/Supplies) by Periodic System

- Record purchases of inventory
- Determine CoS purchased
- Determine CoS on hand at beginning and end of accounting period - undertake a physical inventory count

### To determine CoS by Perpetual System

Detailed Inventory system in which the cost of inventory and the cost of sales is maintained on a continual basis

### Purchase Discounts

#### *Settlement Discounts*

Discounts given to customers as a reward for prompt payment (payment within the discount period)

#### *Trade Discounts*

Percentage reduction in the list price of inventory sold (fixed)

### Perpetual vs Periodic Recording

Perpetual	Periodic
Better control and cost saving	Assumes inventory sold, relies on stocktake for CoS calculation

### Cost Methods

#### *Specific Identification*

If the item is in limited variety with high unit cost items that can be clearly identified, such as motor vehicle

### Cash Flow Assumptions

#### *First-in, first out (FIFO)*

Assumes first goods purchased = first goods sold

#### *Last-in, last out (LIFO)*

Assumes last goods purchased = first goods sold

#### *Weighted average cost*

Assumes all goods are similar in nature, therefore calculate the average costs

### Income statement effect

#### In period of increasing prices

FIFO reports highest net income  
LIFO reports the lowest

#### Period of increasing prices and allocated to ending inventory using

FIFO will approximate current costs  
LIFO will understated

#### In periods of decreasing prices

FIFO reports the lowest net income  
LIFO reports the highest

*Where WAC falls in the middle*