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INTRODUCTION

This is the new edition of the FIA study text for Foundations in Audit, approved by the ACCA and fully updated and revised according to the examiner's comments.

Tailored to fully cover the syllabus, this Study Text has been written specifically for FIA students. Clear and comprehensive style, numerous examples and highlighted key terms help you to acquire the information easily. Plenty of activities and self-test questions enable you to practise what you have learnt.

At the end of most of the chapters you will find practice questions. These are exam-style questions and will give you a very good idea of the way you will be tested.

SYLLABUS AND STUDY GUIDE

Position of the exam in the overall syllabus

The accounting knowledge that is assumed for FAU is the same as that examined in FA1 and FA2. Therefore, candidates studying for FAU should refer to the IFRS® Standards listed under FA1 and FA2. Candidates will also be expected to be familiar with FFA.

Syllabus

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| <p>A Business environment and audit framework Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 17</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The purpose and scope of an audit2. The legal duties of auditors3. Professional ethics and ACCA's Code of Ethics and Conduct4. Auditor engagement and liability5. Audit regulation6. Internal audit | <p>E Audit completion Chapters 15, 16</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Going concern2. Subsequent events3. Written representations4. Independent Auditor's Report |
| <p>B Audit planning and risk assessment Chapter 5</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Audit risk2. Understanding the entity, its environment and the applicable financial reporting framework3. Audit strategy and the audit plan4. Audit documentation | <p>F Employability and technology skills</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Use computer technology to efficiently access and manipulate relevant information2. Work on relevant response options, using available functions and technology as would be required in the workplace3. Navigate windows and computer screens to create and amend responses to exam requirements, using appropriate tools4. Present data and information effectively, using appropriate tools |
| <p>C Internal control Chapters 6, 7</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. General principles of internal control2. Techniques to understand, record and evaluate accounting systems3. Tests of controls4. Communicating control deficiencies | |
| <p>D Audit evidence and procedures Chapters 8 – 14</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Audit evidence2. Audit procedures and assertions3. Substantive procedures4. Audit sampling5. Automated tools and techniques | |