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CLASSIFICATION CIRCULAR 5

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE STANDARD CHART OF ACCOUNTS (SCOA)

1. The purpose of this circular is to inform all government financial practitioners of the changes made to the Standard Chart of Accounts (SCOA) version 13.14.02 to 13.14.03.
2. Reasons for the amendments to the SCOA are provided along with an illustration of the impact thereon. Departments should note that this circular discusses changes made to the segments of the chart of accounts.
3. Items shown in **red** indicate that the item have been removed/deleted, **blue** indicates that the item have been changed/re-named, while **green** implies that a new item have been created/added.

ITEM SEGMENT

Compensation of employees

1. **No changes** have been made to this section.

Goods and Services

Inventory: Other Supplies

2. An item INVENTORY: PRINT SUPPLIES (ID AND PASSPORTS) has been changed to INVENTORY: PRINT SUPPLIES to cater for purchases of printing materials used in production of departmental documentations.

Illustration of items amended on the chart

4	5	6	SEGMENT DETAIL NUMBER	POSTLEV
			330	N
			4698	N
			4699	Y
			4700	Y

Travel and Subsistence

3. An item has been created for T&S FOREIGN: KILOMETRES ALLOWANCE (OWN TRANSPORT). This item caters for the reimbursement made to employees (both South African residents and non-residents) for official travel undertaken using their own transport.

Illustration of items amended on the chart

5 6 7 8	SEGMENT DETAIL NUMBER	POSTLEV
T&S FOREIGN	850	N
T&S:FOREIGN:TRANSPORT	2167	N
T&S FORGN:KM ALL (OWN TRNSPRT)	4819	N
T&S FORGN:KM ALL (OWN TRNSPRT)	4820	Y
OWN:T&S FORGN:KM ALL (OWN TRPRT)	4821	Y

Operating payments

4. An item has been renamed to include expenditure relating to acquisitions of competency certificates or licenses from any designated authority. This is provided to an employee for meeting the requirements of that certificate or license obtained. This item includes, but is not limited to a driver's license, firearm license, etc. For any license acquired, the relevant Act should be adhered to e.g. a driver of a motor vehicle is required to be licensed in terms of the National Road Traffic Act, 1996 (Act No. 93 of 1996) or the owner of a firearm in terms of the Firearms Control Amendment Act, 2008 (Act No. 28 of 2008)

Illustration of items created on the chart

4 5 6	SEGMENT DETAIL NUMBER	POSTLEV
OPERATING PAYMENTS	339	N
O/P: COMPETENCY CERT/ LICENSES	830	N
O/P: COMPETENCY CERT/ LICENSES	2136	Y
OWN:O/P: COMPETENCY CERT/LICENSE	2137	Y

Interest and Rent on Land

5. The following items have been created under Interest and Rent on Land category:
 INT PAID: PPP - This item has been created specifically for Interest on PPP. Unlike other finance leases, PPP finance leases should be split between the interest and capital portion on the face of Statement of Financial Performance.
 INT PAID: CPD – This item had been created to cater for interest earned on Corporation for Public Deposits

Illustration of items created on the chart

3 4 5	SEGMENT DETAIL NUMBER	POSTLEV
INTEREST AND RENT ON LAND	65	N
INTEREST	319	N
INT PAID:PPP	4815	Y

Transfers and Subsidies

6. The following transfer payments have been introduced to the chart :

Illustration of item created on the chart

2 3 4 5 6	SEGMENT DETAIL NUMBER	POST LEV
TRANSFERS AND SUBSIDIES	7	N
TRNSF&SUB:DEPARTMENTAL AGENCIES	310	N
TRANSFERS TO NATIONL DEPT AGENCY	796	N
CATHSSETA	4825	Y
FP&MSETA	4826	Y
HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS	42	N
UNIVERSITY OF MPUMALANGA	4823	Y
SOL PLAATJE UNIV (NORTHERN CAPE)	4284	Y

7. An item for COM: LICENCES (RADIO&TV) under Transfers to National Departmental Agency category has been renamed to include license fees for franking machine.

Illustration of item created on the chart

2 3 4 5 6	SEGMENT DETAIL NUMBER	POSTLEV
TRANSFERS AND SUBSIDIES	7	N
DEPARTMENTAL AGENCIES AND ACCOUNTS	41	N
TRNSF&SUB:DEPARTMENTAL AGENCIES	310	N
DEPT AGEN:TAXES&COMPULSORY FEES	7999	N
COM:LICENCES	1746	Y

8. The following items have been created on the chart as a request from the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform.

Illustration of item created on the chart

3	4	5	6	SEGMENT DETAIL NUMBER	POSTLEV
HOUSEHOLDS (HH)				46	N
H/H:OTHER TRANSFERS(CASH)				235	N
HH:OTH/T: RURAL DEVELOPMENT				4827	N
RID/REID:IMPROV FOOD PROD&SECUR				4828	Y
RID/REID:SKILL DEVELOPM&TRAINING				4829	Y
RID/REID:SUSTAINABLE ECON OPPORT				4830	Y
RID/REID:RURAL LIVELIHOODS				4831	Y
RID/REID:HOUSEHOLD PROFILING				4832	Y
RID/REID:IMPLEMENTATION OF CRDP				4833	Y
RID/REID:BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION				4834	Y

Receipts

9. An item SALES: DEPARTMENTAL PUBLICATIONS has been renamed to cater for all money collected from the sale of departmental publications by the department.

Illustration of item amended on the chart

5	6	7	SEGMENT DETAIL NUMBER	POST LEV
SALES OF GOODS			520	N
SALES:PUBLICATIONS			1305	N
SALES:DEPART PBLCTIONS&PRODUCTON			3048	Y

Assets, Liabilities & Equity

4. The following items were created under "Assets, Liabilities and Equity" category. The items are used in MEDSAS/BAS interface.

Illustration of item created on the chart

1	2	3	4	5	SEGMENT DETAIL NUMBER	POSTLEV
ASSETS, LIABILITIES & EQUITY					4	N
ASSETS					17	N
CURRENT ASSETS					33	N
MEDSAS:CA					103	N
MEDSAS:STOCK PURCH GEN:CA					4817	Y
MEDSAS:MEDSAS: MISC VARIANCE:CA					4822	Y
MEDSAS:PURCHASE VARIANCE:CA					4816	Y
LIABILITIES					18	N
CURRENT LIABILITIES					36	N
MEDSAS:CL					84	N
MEDSAS:SALES:CL					4818	Y

FUND SEGMENT

10. Latest donor funds have been added on the chart of accounts as requested by departments upon finalization of the agreements with National Treasury. Departments are advised to refer to the latest chart of accounts for the latest fund segment changes.

PUBLICATION AND CONTACT DETAILS

11. Please contact the SCOA project team via the SCOA call centre at (012) 315 5311, or by sending a concise mail to scoa@treasury.gov.za if further clarity or discussion is required regarding the changes highlighted above.

12. For updated versions of the SCOA COR database and classification circulars please visit <https://scoa.treasury.gov.za/>

Regards,

SCOA Technical Committee

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