

## Pearson LCCI Level 2 Certificate in Bookkeeping & Accounting - Changes between Issue 3 and Issue 4 specifications

The purpose of this document is to indicate the changes between Issue 3 and Issue 4 of the specifications for the Pearson LCCI Level 2 Certificate in Bookkeeping & Accounting. It should provide more clarity on the changes, without requiring you to compare the Issue 3 and Issue 4 versions page by page.

## **Summary of changes**

- 1. In the *Specification at a glance* section, multiple choice questions have been added to the list of question types.
- 2. In 2.2 a) and b), it has been clarified that the preparation of the statements reconciling the trade payables and trade receivables ledger control accounts does include the correction of errors.
- 3. 3.1 has been changed to include the 'identification and correction of errors that affect the trial balance'.
- 4. In 3.1 a), the bulleted list of errors that do not affect the trial balance has been removed.
- 5. In 3.2, a new point a) has been added, which clarifies expectations ('Identification and correction of errors that affect the trial balance')
- 6. In 3.3 a), the word 'other' has been added, to clarify that the uses listed are in addition to the correction of errors.
- 7. In 4.1 a), the phrase 'for simple scenarios' has been removed because it is not necessary.
- 8. In 5.1 a), the wording has been amended to read 'Understand the advantages and disadvantages of forming partnerships'.
- 9. In 5.1 j), the wording has been amended for clarity and now includes 'to include the preparation of a realisation account'.
- 10. In 5.2 c), 5.3 d) and 5.4 d), 'income statement (statement of profit or loss)' has been changed to just 'statement of profit or loss'. Whilst we recognise that this is IAS terminology and does not apply to sole traders and partnerships, we are encouraging learners to use it at Level 2 to make it easier when they progress into Level 3.
- 11. In 5.5 c), 'interest for payments for late subscriptions' has been removed and will not be examined.



- 12. In 6.1, the lists in a) and b) have been combined, to avoid any difference of opinion as to whether they are profitability or liquidity ratios. The terminology has also been updated ('gross profit as a percentage of cost of sales (mark up)' and 'profit for the year as a percentage of revenue')
- 13. In the *Assessment summary* section, multiple choice questions have been added to the list of question types.