# **Competency: Depreciation**

# Tasks

- Distinguish between straight-line method, declining balance method, sum of the years digits method, and MACRS method.
- 2. Determine straight-line depreciation for a year.
- 3. Determine the depreciation expense on plant assets by the sum of the years digits and declining balance.
- 4. Determine modified accelerated cost recovery system depreciation.
- 5. Use the straight-line depreciation method to find the value of an asset.

# Competency: Bank Records

#### Tasks

- 1. Compare different types of banking options such as credit unions and other banks.
- 2. Identify the types of banking services and their costs for meeting various needs.
- 3. Write a check, prepare deposits, and prepare withdrawal slips.
- 4. Maintain a check register including proper procedures for ATM and automatic payment withdrawals.
- 5. Reconcile a bank statement.
- 6. Utilize online banking and bill payment options securely.

# **Competency: Consumer Credit**

- 1. Identify the costs, benefits, and sources of various types of credit.
- 2. Calculate sales tax and compute total price with sales tax.
- 3. Compute total purchase price with interest/finance charges added.
- 4. Compute the costs involved in owning and buying an item such as an automobile, appliances, home, or furniture.
- 5. Compute finance charges for single payment loans.
- 6. Calculate installment loan costs such as amount financed, installment price, finance charge, and installment payment.
- 7. Find the estimated annual percentage rate (APR) using a table.
- 8. Compare costs of leasing and buying.
- 9. Find the finance charge and new balance using the average daily balance method.
- 10. Read amortization tables to determine payment, interest and balance.
- 11. Compute Annual and monthly Percentage Rate for credit cards or loan.
- 12. Find the monthly mortgage payment.
- 13. Find the total interest on a mortgage and the PITI.
- 14. Prepare a partial amortization schedule of a mortgage.
- 15. Compare the total interest paid on a 15-year and 30-year fixed rate mortgage.
- 16. Define and compare the interest only, fixed rate, and adjustable rate loans.

# Competency: Data Analysis and Reporting

#### **Tasks**

- 1. Using a data set, determine mean, median, and mode.
- 2. Distinguish between a simple average and a weighted average and calculate each.
- 3. Identify and construct various types of graphs and charts
- 4. Compile and arrange facts in organized manner for a table, chart, or figure.
- 5. Explain or prepare written summary of findings expressed in tables, charts, graphs and figures.
- 6. Make predictions and decisions based on data and communicate their reasoning.
- 7. Explain the usage of statistics, probability, and systems of measurement in business.

# Competency: Insurance

#### **Tasks**

- 1. Identify and compare types of insurance.
- 2. Read insurance premium charts and determine the cost of a particular policy.
- 3. Analyze insurance proposal for auto and determine costs of compulsory insurance and costs of optional coverage.
- 4. Analyze health insurance premiums and calculate based on selected options.
- 5. Compute the costs and benefits of specific insurance plans.
- 6. Analyze deductibles and their effect on policy.

## Competency: Interest Rates

# **Tasks**

- 1. Figure rates, interest, and proceeds of bank discounts.
- 2. Calculate simple interest using the simple interest formula.
- 3. Calculate any single variable—principal, interest rate, amount of interest, or time—given the other three.
- 4. Explain the process of discounting a promissory note and calculate the proceeds of a discounted promissory note.
- 5. Define maturity value and find the maturity value of a loan.
- 6. Convert months to a fractional or decimal part of a year.
- 7. Find the future value and compound interest by compounding manually.
- 8. Find the interest compounded daily using a table.

### Competency: Inventory

- 1. Determine the cost and value of inventory.
- 2. Determine rate of inventory turnover.
- 3. Determine the value of ending inventory using Average Cost (weighted average), FIFO, and LIFO.

#### **Competency: Investments**

#### **Tasks**

- 1. Define investment terms such as risk, yields, P/E ratio, and rate of return.
- 2. Explain the effect compounding has in an investment and lending environment.
- 3. Compare investment decisions and make mathematical comparisons of investment alternatives.
- 4. Calculate the net present value of an investment such as certificate of deposit, savings account, stocks, and mutual funds.
- 5. Determine stock yield, earnings per share, and price-earnings ratio.
- 6. Compute the anticipated rate of return on specific investments and savings accounts using various factors such as simple or compound interest, dividends, fees, etc.

# Competency: Mark-ups and Discounts

## **Tasks**

- 1. Identify the various types of discounts.
- 2. Calculate chain, trade, and cash discounts and net selling price of each kind of discount.
- 3. Determine price of product after coupons and/or rebates.
- 4. Define and calculate markup and markdown.
- 5. Determine the rate of the markup or markdown.
- 6. Find the cost, markup or selling price when any two of the three are known.
- 7. Find the amount of markdown, the reduced price and the percent of markdown of an item.
- 8. Calculate markup based on cost.
- 9. Calculate markup based on selling price.
- 10. Convert markups from cost to selling price or from selling price to costs.

### Competency: Payroll

- Calculate pay based on piecework, salary, commissions, and graduated commissions.
- 2. Calculate gross pay based on an hourly wage with an overtime policy.
- 3. Calculate an employee's net earnings per paycheck.
- 4. Prepare an individual payroll or earnings record.
- 5. Find federal tax withholding per paycheck using IRS tax tables and IRS percentage method.
- 6. Calculate Social Security Tax and Medicare tax per paycheck.
- 7. Find an employer's total deposit for withholding tax, social security tax, and Medicare tax per pay period and quarterly.
- 8. Calculate federal and state unemployment taxes.
- 9. Compute business expenses related to employees: benefits, disability insurance, travel, and employee training.

## **Competency: Ratios and Proportions**

# Tasks

- 1. Define the terms *ratio* and *proportion*.
- 2. Use ratios to evaluate profitability, efficiency, and leverage.
- 3. Create ratios to express the quantitative relationship between two amounts.
- 4. Use ratios, proportions, and percents to solve problems involving financial calculations.
- 5. Analyze and explain methods for solving problems involving proportions such as scaling and finding equivalent ratios.

# Competency: Taxes

- 1. Define tax terms such as standard deduction, itemized deductions, exemptions, and various types of taxes such as income tax, sales tax, and property tax.
- 2. Define and calculate property taxes based on local percentages/guidelines.
- 3. Calculate sales tax on purchase.
- 4. Complete a 1040 EZ Federal Income Tax Form with a W2 form.
- 5. Prepare a 1040 A using W2 and 1099 Interest form.
- 6. Complete basic tax forms such as W2 and W4.

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