
Nicaragua

Local stock exchange

Bolsa de Valores de Nicaragua

<http://www.bolsanic.com/>

Rules for listed filings

IFRS required or permitted for listed companies?

IFRS is required. There is no restriction to use US GAAP voluntarily; however, in practice most companies use IFRS.

Rules for statutory filings

Is IFRS or IFRS for SMEs required, permitted or prohibited for statutory filings?

There are no statutory requirements. IFRS or IFRS for SMEs is permitted for consolidated and standalone/separate financial statements.

Version of IFRS

IFRS or IFRS for SMEs as published by the IASB

In addition to local GAAP statutory financial statements, are there any other regulatory financial statement requirements that permit or require the use of IFRS?

The Superintendency of Banks and Other Financial Institutions (SIBOIF) also requires all applicants for loans from financial institutions to prepare financial statements using either full IFRS or the IFRS for SMEs.

The Tax authority permits both full IFRS and the IFRS for SMEs as valid basis of accounting for tax purposes, with a reconciliation to Nicaraguan tax law where the tax law differs from IFRS or the IFRS for SMEs.

IFRS conversion plans

Plans for converging

Not applicable

Other useful websites

The Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Nicaragua
<http://www.ccpn.org.ni/>

Tax information

Type of tax regime

Quasi-dependent, i.e. taxable profit is principally based on the legal entity financial accounts with a number of adjustments provided in the tax law.

Plans for IFRS converging as the basis of tax reporting

Local tax authorities permit IFRS or IFRS for SMEs as the basis of tax reporting provided that the legal entity reconciles the accounting profit to the tax profit for the preparation of the income tax return.