

FIXED ASSETS**DISPOSAL OF FIXED ASSETS****WORKSHEET 5
CONCEPTS****ASSET DISPOSAL - Why does a business dispose of a fixed asset?**

The business disposes of a fixed asset for several reasons:

- The existing equipment has become old
- Vehicles may have been involved in accidents
- Damage to assets and therefore the business cannot use it anymore
- Asset is out-of-date

ASSET DISPOSAL - How does a business dispose of a fixed asset?

Sell for **cash** – Bank

Sell on **credit** – Debtors control

Owner can take the asset for **personal use** – Drawings

Asset can be given as a **donation** – Donations

Vehicle can be **traded in** for a new one – Creditors control

Asset can be damaged and an **insurance claim** can be lodged.

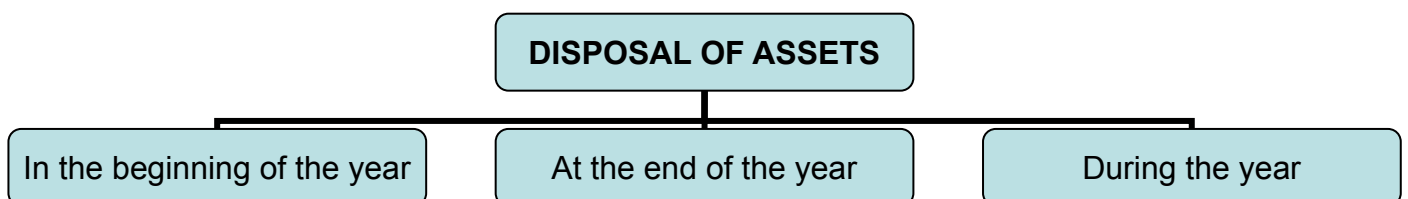
The asset can be **scrapped**.

STEPS TO FOLLOW

	Steps	Transaction	Account debit	Account credit
1	Depreciation	Calculate the current depreciation (If applicable)	Depreciation	Accumulated depreciation
2	Accumulated depreciation	Calculate the total accumulated depreciation at date of disposal (balance beginning of the year + depreciation up to date of sale as calculated in number 1).	Accumulated depreciation	Asset disposal
3	Cost price	Transfer the cost price of the asset	Asset disposal	Asset account (e.g. Vehicle account)
4	Disposal of asset (selling price)	Transfer the disposal		
		• Sell for cash	Bank	Asset disposal
		• Sell on credit	Debtors control	Asset disposal
		• Taken by owner	Drawings	Asset disposal
		• Donated	Donations	Asset disposal
5	Calculate Profit / loss 3. Cost R20 000 2. Acc dep (15 000) Book value 5 000 4. Selling price (4 000) 5. Loss 1 000	Transfer the profit/ loss		
		• Transfer profit	Asset disposal	Profit on sale of asset
		• Transfer loss	Loss on sale of asset	Asset disposal

The Asset Disposal account is a nominal account which is opened specifically for the disposal (selling) of this asset. After it is closed off, it will not be used anymore .

ASSET DISPOSAL - WHEN?



WORKSHEET 6

DISPOSAL OF FIXED ASSETS IN BEGINNING OF THE YEAR

EXAMPLE 3

INFORMATION

On 1 March 2010 (beginning of financial year) ABC Traders sold a typewriter to B. Baloy for R200 cash to A Adams.

The original price of the typewriter was R300 and the accumulated depreciation amounted to R100.

REQUIRED

Record the disposal of the asset as follows:

- Journalise the transactions
- Post to the General Ledger

Look at the date of sale

If sold in beginning of the year, no depreciation is calculated

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ANSWER

STEPS

1 depreciation	R 0	(no depreciation calculated when sold at the beginning of year)
2 transfer acc dep	R100	
3 transfer cost	R300	
4 sell	R200	
5 <u>profit/loss</u>		
Cost	R300	
less acc. dep.	(R100)	
book value	R200	
sold for	(R200)	
profit/loss	<u>R 0</u>	

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		Debit	Credit
	Accumulated depreciation on equipment	100	
	Asset disposal		100
	Transfer accumulated depreciation		
	Asset disposal	300	
	Equipment		300
	Transfer equipment at cast price		

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					Amount	Details
	1	A Adams		200	200	Asset disposal

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EQUIPMENT

Mar	1	Balance	b/d	3 600	Mar	1	Asset disposal		300

ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION ON EQUIPMENT

Mar	1	Asset disposal		100	MAR	1	Balance	b/d	800

BANK

Mar	1	Asset disposal		200					

ASSET DISPOSAL

Mar	1	Equipment		300	Mar	1	Accumulated depreciation on equipment		100
							Bank		200
				300					300

Both totals must be the **same**

ACTIVITY 9

Look at the date of sale
If sold in beginning of the year, no
depreciation is calculated

INFORMATION

On 1 March 2015 ABC Traders sold an old vehicle on credit to XYZ for R18 000. The cost price was R36 000 and was purchased on 1 March 2002. Depreciation is calculated at 20% per annum on the diminishing balance method. Accumulated depreciation was R17 568 on 28 February 2015.

REQUIRED

Record the disposal of the asset as follows:

- Journalise the transactions
- Post to the General Ledger

ANSWER

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	Debit	Credit

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VEHICLES

Mar	1	Balance	b/d	380 600					

ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION ON VEHICLES

					Mar	1	Balance	b/d	18 500

DEBTORS CONTROL

Mar	1	Balance	b/d	218 500					

ASSET DISPOSAL

LOSS ON SALE OF ASSETS

ANSWERS**LESSON
21****ACTIVITY 9****STEPS**

1 depreciation	R 0 (no depreciation calculated when sold at the beginning of year)
2 transfer accum dep	R17 568
3 transfer cost	R36 00
4 sell	R18 000
5 profit/loss	
Cost	R36 000
less acc. dep.	(R17 568)
book value	R18 432
sold for	(R18 000)
loss	R 432 .

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	Debit	Credit
Accumulated depreciation on vehicles	17 568	
Asset disposal		17 568
Transfer accumulated depreciation		
Asset disposal	36 000	
Vehicles		36 000
Transfer equipment at cast price		
Debtors control / XYZ	18 000	
Asset disposal		18 000
Transfer selling price of vehicle sold		
Asset disposal	432	
Loss on sale of asset		432
Loss on sale of vehicle		

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VEHICLES

Mar	1	Balance	b/d	380 600	Mar	1	Asset disposal		36 000

ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION ON VEHICLES

Mar	1	Asset disposal		17 568	Mar	1	Balance	b/d	18 500

DEBTORS CONTROL

Mar	1	Balance	b/d	218 500					
		Asset disposal		18 000					

ASSET DISPOSAL

Mar	1	Equipment		36 000	Mar	1	Accumulated depreciation on vehicles		17 568
							Debtors control		18 000
							Loss on sale of asset		432
				36 000					36 000

LOSS ON SALE OF ASSETS

Mar	1	Asset disposal		432					