

Cxc accounts



The Average Cost (AVCO) Method of stock valuation allows for the cost of units to be averaged over a period of time, making it possible for units issued (sold) to be priced at an average cost. Advantages Disadvantages 1. Makes no assumptions about how the goods are issued. 1. More challenging to calculate 2. Valuation of closing stock will be close to the latest price. 2. A new average must be calculated with every purchase 3. Average price is mainly affected by the amount bought at the different prices. . The calculated average does not represent any actual price paid for the stocks

Fig. 1 Advantages and disadvantages of AVCO method and stock valuation

Worked example 1: Information relating to a sole trader's receipts and issues of stock for the year 2008:

2008	Receipts	Issues
January 1	600 units @ \$2 each	
February 14	400 units	
May 16	1 000 units @ \$4 each	
July 21	800 units @ \$5 each	
August 19	1 600 units	
September 14		1 600 units @ \$6 each
October 20		1 600 units

AVCO method	Date	Received	Issued	Balance	2008	Units	Per	Units	\$	Cost	\$
	Jan	600		600	2	1 200	600	2	1 200		
	Feb	400		1 000							
	May	1 000		2 000							
	July	800		2 800							
	Aug	1 600		4 400							
	Sept		1 600	2 800							
	Oct		1 600	1 200							
				400							

Closing stock = 400 units valued at \$2, 250. The units are valued at weighted average price of \$13. 8 per unit. Facts: The higher the closing stock the higher the profit. A lower the closing stock valuation with result in lower profits

Exercise 1: You are required to use the information below to calculate the closing stock-in-trade using the AVCO. Receipts and issues of a good are as follows: Receipts

Sales Jan 40 x \$30 each June 12 for \$45 each May 20 x \$33 each Aug 44 for
\$46 each July 32 x \$38. 5 each Dec 20 for \$48 each Oct 24 x \$39 each