

Release Notes

2025 Knowledge-Based Audits™ of International Entities September 2025

CCH Axcess™ Knowledge Coach and CCH® ProSystem fx® Knowledge Coach

Welcome to 2025 Knowledge-Based Audits™ of International Entities for Knowledge Coach

This bulletin provides important information about the 2025 release of Knowledge-Based Audits™ of International Entities. Please review this bulletin carefully. If you have any questions, additional information is available on CCH <u>Support Online</u>.

Information about the Title

This title is designed to help the auditor efficiently and effectively perform financial statement audits of international commercial entities in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) promulgated by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board (IAASB). Knowledge-Based™ Audit Methodology is a risk-based methodology that emphasizes using knowledge of the entity to make risk assessments in connection with a financial statement audit. This allows the auditor to more appropriately focus audit efforts on those areas which in the auditor's judgment are the most significant and pose the most risk of material misstatement to the financial statements.

Conducting audits of international entities requires the exercise of the auditor's professional judgment. Additionally, the operations of international entities are often unique and complex and may require specialized accounting and auditing knowledge. This edition includes specific, up-to-date guidance for auditing international commercial entities.

This document is published for the purpose of communicating the updates and enhancements included in the current version to users of the toolset. This document is not, and should not be used as, an audit program to update the audit documentation of an engagement started in a previous version of this product.

The 2025 title includes CCH® Accounting Research® material links to specific guidance, providing instant access to detailed analysis related to the steps and processes discussed in the workpapers.

Caution! This toolset does not include all audit requirements included in U.S. Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (U.S. GAAS). Engagements that are required to be performed under both ISAs and U.S. GAAS should also refer to the Knowledge-Based Audits of Commercial Entities for requirements under U. S. GAAS. An AICPA member conducting an audit in accordance with the ISAs must also comply with U.S. GAAS.

New in this Release

2025 Edition of Knowledge-Based Audits of International Entities

This edition features numerous enhancements, including:

- Revised "Group Audit" instructions/sections/procedures throughout to incorporate requirements and additional guidance of ISA 600 (Revised)
- Added column in AID-603 for the user to select components for flow to KBA-301

- Removed recommended answer and added a comment column in AID-603 for user to document reasoning for certain components to NOT flow to KBA-301
- New table in KBA-103 for documenting rationale regarding findings that are not classified as Significant Deficiencies
- Enhancing CORs, RPTs, and RESs throughout the toolset to improve workflow based on ISA 600 (Revised)

Click here for the 2025 International Entities Title Overview for Knowledge Coach Users.

CCH® ProSystem fx® Engagement 2023 Compatibility

This title can be installed on Engagement v2023 by first installing the Engagement v2023.2.2 Update. The latest update can be downloaded via CCH Software Delivery Manager. This update allows you to use the 2025 content without installing Engagement v2024 until your firm plans to update.

CCH Axcess Knowledge Coach Instructions and Information

No installation is necessary. Once released, the title will be available for use after login. See the help topic <u>Updating Industry Content to the Latest Version</u> for instructions about applying the updated title.

CCH ProSystem fx Knowledge Coach Instructions and Information

Updating Your Title

If you are updating from a previous version of this title, review **Help > Knowledge Coach Help Topics**, then select "Updating to the Latest Version of a Workpaper" from the Table of Contents.

Best Practices

- Save changes to workpapers before closing the workpaper or the binder to ensure data is correctly updated.
- If Microsoft® Word crashes when using Knowledge Coach, before closing the binder, use the **Save Knowledge Coach Answers** option in the binder view under the Tools menu. This saves all data within tables.
- You can view other Knowledge Coach best practices on our Website.

License Requirements

This title requires the Knowledge-Based Audits of International Entities license. Users who do not have a license for this title cannot use Knowledge Coach functionality in workpapers.

- For information on updating your licensing, see How do I add or update CCH ProSystem fx Engagement Licenses? on our Support Website.
- For more information on assigning licenses, see <u>How do I assign Engagement licenses?</u> on our Support Website.

Download and Installation Instructions

See <u>How do I add a new CCH ProSystem fx Knowledge Coach title to CCH ProSystem fx Engagement?</u> for instructions on installing a new Knowledge Coach title.

Notes:

- You must install the 2024 Financial Statement Base title before installing this title.
- This title can be installed on Engagement v2023 by installing the v2023.2.2 or later update available on Software Delivery Manager.
- On some occasions the content package file (.KCP) will download with the extension changed to .ZIP. If this occurs, change the extension of the downloaded file to KCP, using all capital letters.

We also have a utility to help you install and release your titles. See <u>How do I use the CCH ProSystem fx Knowledge Coach Title Install Utility?</u> for more information.