Pricing to Net Profit per Unit (Margin-Based)

This guide explains how to calculate pricing from production costs through to net profit per unit using the margin method. It focuses on the equations and process in a simplified step-by-step format.

Step 1: Calculate Total Production Cost (COGS)

COGS = Raw Materials + Labour + Packaging

Example: \$6 + \$3 + \$1 = \$10 total COGS

Step 2: Calculate Wholesale Price

Wholesale Price = COGS ÷ (1 – Wholesale Margin %)

Example: $$10 \div (1 - 0.35) = 15.38

Step 3: Calculate Gross Profit

Gross Profit per Unit = Wholesale Price – COGS

Example: \$15.38 - \$10 = \$5.38

Step 4: Calculate Total Operating Expenses (OPEX)

OPEX = Marketing & Promotions + Shipping/Logistics + Overhead Allocation + Other Variable Opex

Example: \$1.00 + \$0.75 + \$1.25 + \$0.50 = \$3.50

Step 5: Calculate Net Profit

Net Profit per Unit = Gross Profit - OPEX

Example: \$5.38 - \$3.50 = \$1.88

Step 6: Calculate Retail Price (MSRP)

MSRP = Wholesale Price ÷ (1 - Retail Margin %)

Example: $$15.38 \div (1 - 0.35) = 23.66

Summary of Equations

COGS = Raw Materials + Labour + Packaging

Wholesale Price = COGS ÷ (1 – Wholesale Margin %)

Gross Profit = Wholesale Price - COGS

Net Profit = Gross Profit - OPEX

MSRP = Wholesale Price ÷ (1 – Retail Margin %)

By following these equations, you can clearly see how each stage of the process contributes to your final net profit per unit.