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MARKING GUIDELINE**

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This marking guideline consists of 11 pages.

SECTION A: COMPULSORY**QUESTION 1: MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS (GENERIC)**

- 1.1 D ✓
- 1.2 B ✓
- 1.3 A ✓
- 1.4 C ✓
- 1.5 C ✓
- 1.6 B ✓

(6 x 1) [6]

QUESTION 2: SAFETY (GENERIC)**2.1 Personal protective equipment**

- Welding helmet ✓
- Leather apron ✓
- Leather hand gloves ✓
- Overall/work suit ✓
- Safety boot ✓

(Any 3 x 1) (3)

2.2 Arc welding safety precautions

- Wear correct PPE ✓
- The welding cables and electrode holder must be well insulated ✓
- Your eyes must be protected with a welding helmet before attempting any strike ✓
- Ensure that there is no water in the environment ✓
- Keep away combustible materials from the welding area ✓

(Any 3 x 1) (3)

2.3 Reason why you must not force drill bit into the workpiece

- It can cause a broken drill bit and possible injuries. ✓

(1)

2.4 Reason for clamping a small workpiece before drilling

- To avoid slipping ✓
- Prevent drill bit from getting broken ✓
- To ensure smooth and straight drilling ✓

(Any 1 x 1) (1)

2.5 Safety precautions to be observed when handling gas cylinders

- Store or transport cylinders in an upright position ✓
- Avoid oil or grease from coming in contact with oxygen fittings ✓
- Never stack cylinders on top of one another ✓
- Do not bang or work on cylinders ✓
- Never allow cylinders to fall ✓

(Any 2 x 1) (2)

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QUESTION 3: MATERIALS (GENERIC)**3.1 3.1.1 Test required to determine the carbon content of a metal**

- Sound test ✓
- Spark test ✓

(Any 1 x 1) (1)

3.1.2 Test required to determine the ductility of metal

- Bending test ✓

(1)

3.2 Cutting colour coded metals from unmarked end

- In order to keep its identity ✓

(1)

3.3 Types of case-hardening

- Carburising ✓
- Nitriding ✓
- Cyaniding ✓

(3)

3.4 Effect of medium or high carbon steel on case-hardening

- The hardness will penetrate the core of the steel ✓

(1)

3.5 Heat treatment process of metal

It has to do with heating metal to the required temperature, ✓ allow to soak in that temperature for a given period of time, ✓ then cool in the appropriate medium. ✓

(3)

3.6 Factors that determine the hardness of steel during heat treatment

- Work size ✓
- Quenching rate ✓
- Carbon content ✓

(3)

3.7 Properties achieved from an annealed steel

- Softness ✓
- Ductility ✓

(Any 1 x 1) (1)

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QUESTION 4: MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS (SPECIFIC)

- 4.1 C ✓
- 4.2 A ✓
- 4.3 B ✓
- 4.4 B ✓
- 4.5 D ✓
- 4.6 D ✓
- 4.7 A ✓
- 4.8 C ✓
- 4.9 C ✓
- 4.10 A ✓
- 4.11 B ✓
- 4.12 A ✓
- 4.13 D ✓
- 4.14 C ✓

(14 x 1) [14]

QUESTION 5: TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT (SPECIFIC)

- 5.1 5.1.1 **Equipment identification**
Bubble gauge ✓ (1)
- 5.1.2 **Parts labelling**
A – King pin inclination scale ✓
B – Caster angle ✓
C – Camber angle ✓
D – Mounting equipment on wheel ✓ (4)
- 5.1.3 **Purpose of a bubble gauge**
It is used to test caster, ✓ camber ✓ and king pin inclination angles of a motor vehicle. ✓ (3)
- 5.2 **Parts labelling of periscopic optical alignment tool**
1 – Contact ✓
2 – Mirror gauge ✓
3 – Periscope ✓
4 – Periscope gauge ✓
5 – Height slot/Height bar ✓
6 – Toe gauge ✓
7 – Calculator ✓
8 – Stand ✓ (8)
- 5.3 **Function of optical alignment tool**
It makes it possible to check toe-in and toe-out of a vehicle. ✓ (1)
- 5.4 **Card type compression testing procedure**
 - Remove the spark plug ✓
 - Put a new card in the tester ✓
 - Turn the ignition on, depress the throttle and crank the engine up to four revolutions ✓
 - Activate the tester and move to the next cylinder ✓
 - Repeat the process in the other cylinders ✓
 - Remove the card and compare with specifications ✓

(6)
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QUESTION 6: ENGINES (SPECIFIC)**6.1 Function of a crankshaft**

To convert the reciprocating motion of the piston ✓ into a rotary motion to the transmission system. ✓

(2)

6.2 Causes of vibrations in crankshaft

- Action of unbalance forces upon the crankshaft ✓
- Torsional effect of the power stroke on the crankshaft ✓

(2)

6.3 Types of balancing done on crankshaft

- Static balancing ✓
- Dynamic balancing ✓

(2)

6.4 Functions of balance mass pieces

- It is used to balance the mass of piston, connecting rod, web and crank journal ✓
- It is used to provide an opposing centrifugal force to that of the piston, connecting rod, web and crank journal ✓
- It used to counteract the initial loads of the moving parts during acceleration and retardation processes ✓

(3)

6.5 6.5.1 Connecting rod and piston

They are kept as light as possible ✓ to reduce reciprocating mass and force ✓

(2)

6.5.2 Flywheel

They are carefully balanced and fitted to the crankshaft flange ✓ in one position only ✓

(2)

6.5.3 Vibration damper

They are fitted to the front end of the crankshaft ✓ to smoothen out engine vibrations ✓

(2)

6.6 Vibration damper parts labeling

- A – Crankshaft ✓
- B – Crankshaft flange ✓
- C – Secondary flywheel ✓
- D – Friction disc ✓
- E – Friction spring ✓
- F – Spring plate ✓

(6)

6.7 Factors that determine firing order

- The position of the crank on the crankshaft ✓
- The arrangement of cams on the camshaft ✓

(2)

6.8 Procedure to determine firing order if no specifications available

- Remove the taper cover and determine the intake and exhaust valves. ✓
- Rotate the engine in the direction in which it turns ✓
- Watch the direction in which the valves operate ✓
- This will give the order in which the inlet and exhaust stroke occurs ✓
- The power stroke occurs in the same order ✓

(5)

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QUESTION 7: FORCES (SPECIFIC)**7.1 Swept volume**

It is the volume displaced by the piston ✓ as it moves from bottom dead centre (BDC) to the top dead centre (TDC). ✓

(2)

7.2 Methods of increasing compression ratio

- Remove shims from between crankcase and cylinder block ✓
- Fit thinner gasket between cylinder block and cylinder head ✓
- Machine metal from cylinder head ✓
- Skim metal from cylinder block ✓
- Fit piston with suitable higher crowns ✓
- Fit crankshaft with longer stroke ✓
- Increase cylinder bore ✓

(Any 2 x 1) (2)

7.3 7.3.1 Swept volume

Bore = 86 mm = 8,6 cm

Stroke = 98 mm = 9,8 cm

$$SV = \frac{D^2}{4} \times L \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{\pi \times 8,6^2}{4} \times 9,8 \checkmark$$

$$SV = 569,26 \text{ cm}^3 \checkmark$$

(3)

7.3.2 Clearance volume

$$\text{Compression ratio} = \frac{SV + CV}{CV} \checkmark$$

$$10 = \frac{569,26 + CV}{CV} \checkmark$$

$$CV = 63,25 \text{ cm}^3 \checkmark$$

(3)

7.3.3 New bore diameter

$$\text{Compression ratio} = \frac{SV + CV}{CV} \checkmark$$

$$10,8 = \frac{SV + 63,25}{63,25} \checkmark$$

$$SV = 619,85 \text{ cm}^3 \checkmark$$

But

$$SV = \frac{D^2}{4} \times L \checkmark$$

$$619,85 = \frac{D^2}{4} \times 9,8 \checkmark$$

$$D = 8,94 \text{ cm}$$

$$= 89,4 \text{ mm} \checkmark$$

(6)

7.4 Torque

It is the twisting effort transmitted ✓ by a rotating shaft or wheel ✓

OR

A turning force applied ✓ over the centre of a circular object. ✓

(2)

7.5 7.5.1 Indicated power

$$P = PLANn \checkmark$$

$$P = 1\,400\text{ kPa} = 1\,400\,000\text{ Pa} \checkmark$$

$$L = 92\text{ mm} = 0,092\text{ m}$$

$$D = 84\text{ mm} = 0,084\text{ m}$$

$$A = \frac{\pi \times 0,084^2}{4} \checkmark$$

$$= 5,54 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2 \checkmark$$

$$N = \frac{3\,600}{60 \times 2}$$

$$= 30 \text{ r/s} \checkmark$$

$$N = 4 \text{ cylinders}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Indicated power} &= 1\,400\,000 \times 0,092 \times 5,54 \times 10^{-3} \times 30 \times 4 \checkmark \\ &= 83\,462,40 \text{ W} \\ &= 83,5 \text{ kW} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

(6)

7.5.2 Torque

$$T = f \times r$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } f &= mg = 30 \times 10 \\ &= 300 \text{ N} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T &= 300 \times 0,65 \checkmark \\ &= 195 \text{ Nm} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

(3)

7.5.3 Brake power

$$BP = 2\pi NT \checkmark$$

$$= 2 \times \pi \times 60 \times 195 \checkmark$$

$$= 7\,3513,27 \text{ W}$$

$$= 73,5 \text{ kW} \checkmark$$

(3)

7.5.4 Mechanical efficiency

$$\text{Mechanical efficiency} = \frac{BP}{IP} \times 100\%$$

$$= \frac{73,5}{83,5} \times 100\% \checkmark$$

$$= 88,02\% \checkmark$$

(2)

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QUESTION 8: MAINTENANCE (SPECIFIC)**8.1 Exhaust gases**

- Hydrocarbon ✓
- Carbon monoxide ✓
- Carbon dioxide ✓
- Nitrogen oxide ✓
- Sulphur dioxide ✓
- Oxygen ✓

(Any 4 x 1) (4)

8.2 8.2.1 Hissing sound from inlet manifold

- Leaking inlet valves. ✓
- Replace the inlet valves ✓

(2)

8.2.2 Hissing sound from exhaust manifold

- Leaking exhaust valves ✓
- Replace the exhaust valves ✓

(2)

8.2.3 Bubbles in radiator water

- Blown cylinder head gasket or cracked cylinder block. ✓
- Skim the cylinder head and replace the gasket or replace the block ✓ (2)

8.3 Low oil pressure reading (possible causes)

- Worn oil pump ✓
- Blocked pick-up screen in the oil sump ✓
- Worn main big-end and camshaft bearings ✓
- Blocked oil filter ✓
- Dirty or contaminated oil ✓
- Oil leaks ✓
- Too little oil in the engine ✓
- Incorrect oil viscosity ✓
- Defective oil pressure relief valve ✓

(Any 3 x 1) (3)

8.4 Oil pressure test manufacturing specifications

- Oil pressure when engine is idling ✓
- Oil pressure when engine is cold ✓
- Oil pressure when engine is hot ✓
- Oil pressure on high revolutions ✓

(Any 3 x 1) (3)

8.5 Reason for conducting pressure test in cooling system

- To check for possible leakage in the cooling system ✓

(1)

8.6 Possible engine cooling system components to find leakage

- Hosepipe ✓
- Water pump ✓
- Radiator ✓
- Core plugs ✓
- Interior heater radiator ✓
- Heater caps ✓

(Any 2 x 1) (2)

8.7 Functions of a radiator cap

- Regulates the pressure in the cooling system ✓
- Allows coolant to return to the radiator ✓
- It seals the cooling system to ensure a closed system ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)

8.8 Possible causes of engine overheat

- Leakage along the line resulting to air trapped in the cooling system ✓
- Cooling fan failure ✓
- Thermostat ✓
- Insulated radiator (poor cooling efficiency) ✓
- Water pump failure ✓
- Bad top gasket ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)

[23]**QUESTION 9: SYSTEM AND CONTROL (AUTOMATIC GEARBOX) (SPECIFIC)****9.1 Advantages of using an automatic gearbox**

- It reduces driving fatigue ✓
- A vehicle can stop suddenly without the engine stalling ✓
- The system dampens all engine vibrations ✓
- It ensure great reduction of wheel spin ✓ (Any 3 x 1) (3)

9.2 Function of a torque converter

To gradually engage the engine torque with the transmission system ✓ and to multiply the torque automatically according to road and engine speed ✓ (2)

9.3 Principle of operations of lockup torque converters when lockup clutch is applied

- The activation and deactivation of the lockup clutch is done by oil pressure ✓
- When the turbine and impeller are up to speed, the fluid is channeled to the clutch piston ✓
- The pressure is guided to the backside of the friction plate where it will press against the impeller, thereby connecting the turbine ✓
- The impeller and the turbine begin to run as one body ✓
- The system improves efficiency and prevents slippage ✓ (5)

9.4 Advantages of using torque converters

- Torque increases automatically ✓
- Shocks to gearbox, chassis and wheels are reduced ✓
- Minimum servicing is required ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)

9.5 Transmission control unit (TCU)

It is a device that controls modern electronic automatic transmissions. It uses vehicle sensors and data from electronic control unit ✓ to calculate how and when to change gears in the vehicle ✓ for optimum performance and fuel economy ✓ (3)

9.6 Cause of transmission fluid heating up

- Fluid friction in the torque converter ✓ (1)

9.7 Methods of cooling oil in automatic transmission

- By placing special oil cooler alongside the engine cooling radiator ✓
- By using the bottom of engine cooling radiator tank ✓ (2)

[18]**QUESTION 10: SYSTEM AND CONTROL (AXLES, STEERING GEOMETRY AND ELECTRONICS) (SPECIFIC)****10.1 Camber**

It is the tilting inward or outward of a vehicle wheel from its vertical position ✓
in order to meetup with the design specifications of the vehicle model ✓ (2)

10.2 Disadvantages of camber

- Reduces lifespan of tyres ✓
- Uneven contact with road ✓
- You will not know when your tyre is due for replacement (negative camber). ✓ (3)

10.3 Identification of diagrams

A – Positive Camber ✓
B – Negative Camber ✓ (2)

10.4 Advantages of positive camber

- Effective grip on a cambered road surface ✓
- Easier steering ✓

Advantages of negative camber

- It prevents a car from rolling outward from a traffic circle ✓
- It reduces road contact (less wear seen from outside) ✓ (4)

10.5 Purpose of kingpin inclination in a car front wheels

- To bring the car front wheels back to the straight-ahead position ✓ after rounding a corner without any driver effort ✓ (2)

10.6 Kingpin inclination labelling

A – Offset ✓
B – 90° ✓
C – Wheel centre line ✓
D – Kingpin inclination angle ✓
E – Steering axis centre line/kingpin centre line ✓ (5)

- 10.7 **Factors to be considered before attempting wheel alignment adjustment**
- Kerb mass ✓
 - Uneven wear on tyres ✓
 - Tyre pressure ✓
 - Run-out on the wheels ✓
 - Correct pre-load on the wheel bearing ✓
 - Kingpins and bushes ✓
 - Suspension ball joints for wears ✓
 - Suspension bushes for excessive free movement ✓
 - Steering box play ✓
 - Tie-rod ends ✓
 - Sagged springs ✓
 - Shock absorber ✓
 - Spring U-bolts ✓
 - Chassis for possible cracks and loose cross members ✓ (Any 5 x 1) (5)
- 10.8 **Car wheel alignment identification**
- Toe-out ✓ (1)
- 10.9 **Purpose of toe-out in a car suspension system**
- To give a true rolling motion ✓ on the front wheels in a corner without scuffing. ✓ (2)
- 10.10 10.10.1 **Static balance**
- It is the equal distribution of all weight ✓ around the axis of rotation in a single plane of rotation. ✓ (2)
- 10.10.2 **Dynamic balancing**
- It is the equal distribution of all weight ✓ around the axis of rotation in all rotational planes. ✓ (2)
- 10.11 **Pre-checks on a wheel before balancing**
- Check the tyres for bruises, cracks and damaged side walls ✓
 - Check the rim for any damages ✓
 - Check for any foreign matter on the rim and tyre ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)
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