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AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES P1 MARKING GUIDELINE

MARKS: 150

This marking guideline consists of 11 pages.



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SECTION A

QUESTION 1

1.1	1.1.1 1.1.2 1.1.3 1.1.4 1.1.5 1.1.6 1.1.7 1.1.8	B ✓ ✓ A ✓ ✓ D ✓ ✓ B ✓ ✓ C ✓ ✓ B ✓ ✓ C ✓ ✓		
	1.1.9 1.1.10	C ✓ ✓ D ✓ ✓	(10 x 2)	(20)
1.2	1.2.1 1.2.2 1.2.3 1.2.4 1.2.5	Both A and B ✓✓ A only ✓✓ B only ✓✓ None ✓✓ A only ✓✓	(5 x 2)	(10)
1.3	1.3.1 1.3.2 1.3.3 1.3.4 1.3.5	Biological value ✓✓ Subsistence ✓✓ Dystocia ✓✓ Lymphatic system ✓✓ Lack of libido ✓✓	(5 x 2)	(10)
1.4	1.4.1 1.4.2 1.4.3 1.4.4 1.4.5	Fodder flow ✓ Chronic ✓ Scrotum ✓ Placenta ✓ Implantation ✓	(5 x 1)	(5)

TOTAL SECTION A: 45



SECTION B

QUESTION 2: ANIMAL NUTRITION

2.1 Alimentary canal of farm animals

2.1.1 Name of the part

Small intestines ✓ (1)

2.1.2 **TWO** visible adaptation features

- Presence of micro-villi ✓
- Presence of blood capillaries ✓
- Presence of lymph vessels ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)

2.1.3 Indication of nutrients absorbed in:

- (a) **Lymph** Digested fats ✓ (1)
- (b) **Blood capillaries** Digested carbohydrates ✓ (1)

2.1.4 Explanation of how folds assist in absorption

Folds increase the surface area ✓ for absorption ✓ (2)

2.2 Feed components

2.2.1 Identification of

- (a) Energy rich concentrate Maize meal ✓ (1)
- (b) **Protein rich roughage** Lucerne hay ✓

2.2.2 Type of an animal

Ruminant ✓ (1)

2.2.3 Reason

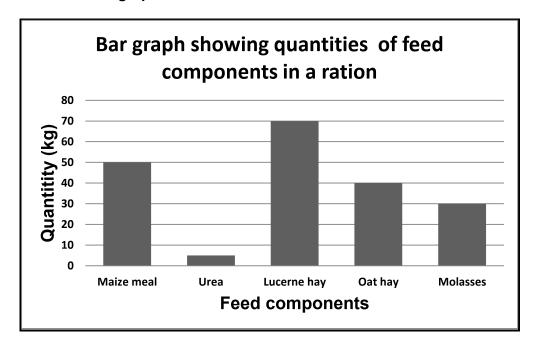
- The ruminant animal has micro-organisms ✓ which are able to digest a ration containing roughage and urea ✓
- The ruminant animal is able to regurgitate ✓ the feed for rechewing of roughage ✓
- The ruminant animal has four compartments ✓ in its stomach adapted to digest roughages ✓ (Any 1)

2.2.4 Component of the ration that can improve palatability and digestibility of oat hay

Molasses ✓ (1)



2.2.5 Bar graph



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- Correct heading ✓
- Bar graph ✓
- x-axis: Correctly calibrated and labelled (Feed components) ✓
- y-axis : Correctly calibrated and labelled (Quantities) ✓
- Correct unit (kg) ✓
- Accuracy (80% + correctly plotted) ✓ (6)

2.3 Sow and its litter housed in a farrowing pen with a cement floor

2.3.1 Mineral element deficient in sow Iron/Fe ✓ (1)

2.3.2 **ONE deficiency symptom of iron**

- Anaemia ✓
- Paleness of the mucous membrane ✓
- Listlessness/laziness/fatigue ✓ (Any 1 x 1) (1)

2.3.3 Method of supplementing iron

- Injection ✓
- Soil sods placed in pig's concrete pen ✓
- Feeding with green forage ✓ (Any 1 x 1)



2.4 Pearson square

2.4.1 Ratio representing sunflower oilcake meal

8 ✓ (1)

2.4.2 Reason

A feed high in protein ✓ constitutes a small part of the ratio in the mixture. ✓ (2)

2.4.3 Calculation of the percentage of a carbohydrate-rich feed in the mixture.

$$8 + 20 = 28 \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{20}{28} \times 100 \checkmark$$

$$= 71,43\% \checkmark$$
(3)

2.5 Energy values of a feed

2.5.1 Identify the energy loss in B

Energy lost as body heat ✓ (1)

2.5.2 Justification of the importance of net energy

- Needed for production/growth/reproduction ✓
- Needed for maintenance ✓

2.5.3 Calculation of metabolic energy

Metabolic energy/ME =

- = Gross energy energy loss in faeces energy loss in urine and fermentation gases
- $= 24J 9J 5J \checkmark$ = 10J \(\sqrt{}

OR

2.5.4 TWO aims of calculating energy value of the feed

- To determine the animal's diet ✓
- To determine feeding standards ✓
- To determine ration formulation ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2) [35]



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QUESTION 3: ANIMAL PRODUCTION, PROTECTION AND CONTROL

3.1.1	Identification	of the	facility
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Loading ramp ✓

(1)

3.1.2 Purpose of facility labelled A/crush

- To restrain farm animals/ ✓
- To guide farm animals to the vehicle for transportation ✓

3.1.3 Design feature of a crush to ensure safety

- Has high solid/strong/solid sides to prevent animals from seeing out ✓
- It has curves that are not sharp ✓
- There is nothing that can harm/hurt animals ✓
- Angles are not too steep ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)

3.1.4 **TWO** reasons for handling farm animals using crush

- For animal health programmes ✓
- Normal management programme/dehorning/castration/marking/docking ✓
- Treatment of parasites ✓
- Determination of animal's age ✓
- Generation of data ✓
- Transportation of animals ✓ (Any 2 x 1)

3.2. Animal handling

3.2.1 Indication of the letter

- (a) A ✓(b) D ✓(1)
- $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{(b)} & \text{D} \checkmark & \text{(1)} \\ \text{(c)} & \text{C} \checkmark & \text{(1)} \end{array}$

3.2.2 Behaviour when approached at blind spot

- It will kick
- It will be restless/uncomfortable ✓ (1)

3.2.3 **TWO** common behaviours displayed by cattle under stress

- Pinned or raised ears ✓
- Rapid tail movement ✓
- Raised hair on the back of the neck ✓
- Pawing ✓
- Snorting ✓
- Feigned charging movements ✓ (Any 2 x 1)



342	Identification	of the	role of

- (a) The famer Good hygienic principles ✓ (1)
- (b) The state Provision of immunisation/vaccination ✓ (1)

3.5 Methods of administering medicine to animals

3.5.1 Identification of methods to apply medicine

- A Topical ✓
- **B** Vaginal insertion ✓
- **D** Plunge dipping/Dipping ✓ (3)

3.5.2 Letter representing the method used to treat parasites

- (a) Roundworm C ✓ (1)
- (b) Blue ticks D ✓ (1)



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3.5.3 **TWO ways of using medication sustainably**

- Medicine is safe to use for the specific animal ✓
- Check the expiry date ✓
- Ensure proper storage ✓
- Administer correct dose ✓
- Administer according to the instructions ✓
- Administer medicine for the correct period to ensure its effectiveness √
- Allow for proper withdrawal period before it is consumed ✓
- Medicine be kept away from children ✓ (Any 2 x 1)

3.6 **Poisonous plants**

3.6.1 ONE poisonous plant found in pastures

- Thorn apple ✓
- Poisonous bulb ✓
- Lantana ✓
- Devil's thorn ✓
- Lupines ✓
- Buffalo grass ✓
- Poisonous leaf ✓

(Any 1 x 1) (1)

3.6.2 TWO measures to control plant poison in pastures

- Remove animals from an infested camp ✓
- Remove poisonous plants from the pastures ✓
- Feed animal well as they will be less likely to eat poisonous plants ✓
- Avoid overgrazing/overstocking ✓
- Practise rotational grazing ✓
- Provide animals with feed and water when transported by rail/when introducing them to a new place with unfamiliar plants ✓
- Control poisonous plants by applying chemicals in infested pastures ✓ (Any 2) (2)





QUESTION 4: ANIMAL REPRODUCTION

4.1 Reproductive system

4.1.1 Identification of the letter

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{(a)} & \text{B }\checkmark & \text{(1)} \\ \text{(b)} & \text{D }\checkmark & \text{(1)} \end{array}$$

4.1.2 TWO congenital defects in part B/testis leading to loss of fertility

- Hypoplasia ✓
- Cryptorchidism ✓
- Sperm defect ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)

4.1.3 Role played by part labelled C/penis in reproduction

It deposits semen into the vagina during mating ✓ (1)

4.2 Hormones controlling oestrus cycle

4.2.1 **Duration of the oestrus**

4.2.2 Name of the hormones

A – Oestrogen ✓

4.2.3 Indication of what is happening during the follicular phase

- (a) Stage of oestrus cycle Pro-oestrus ✓
- (b) Hormone responsible FSH ✓ (2)

4.2.4 TWO functions of hormone B/progesterone if the cow can be pregnant.

- Delays secretion of FSH ✓
- Prevents the cow from coming to heat ✓
- Prepares the uterus to receive the fertilised egg ✓
- Maintains proper uterine environment to maintain pregnancy ✓
- Stimulating uterine milk secretions ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)



10 **AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES P1** (EC/SEPTEMBER 2023) 4.3 **Artificial insemination** 4.3.1 Purpose of using the pistolette To deposit semen during artificial insemination ✓ (1) 4.3.2 TWO basic requirements for storage Semen to be stored at 5°C if sored for a short period ✓ • Semen be kept frozen in liquid nitrogen at -196°C if stored for a longer time ✓ Must be stored in polyvinyl straws ✓ • The ends of straws are sealed to prevent liquid nitrogen from entering ✓ Straws should be labelled for identification ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)Identification of the letter 4.3.3 (a) A ✓ (1)(b) E ✓ (1)4.3.4 ONE disadvantage of using the equipment for the farmer It is expensive ✓ (1)4.3.5 TWO advantages of artificial insemination Decreases the occurrence of sexually transmitted diseases ✓ More female animals can be fertilised by superior male animals ✓ It is a guick and economical way to improve the herd ✓ Semen from males in other countries can be used ✓ Semen of superior bulls can be used even after death ✓ It improves the commercial value of the herd ✓ Semen of multiple sires can be used without keeping and maintaining expensive bulls ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)4.4 **Embryo harvesting/flushing** Identification of the procedure 4.4.1 (1) Embryo harvesting/flushing ✓ 4.4.2 Type of a cow where the procedure is performed Donor/superior cow ✓ (1) 4.4.3 Reason It possesses genetically superior desirable characteristics ✓ (1)



4.4.4 ONE aim of embryo transplant/ET

- To prevent extinction of valuable animals / increase the number of endangered species √
- To improve disease resistance by using embryos of superior animals that are resistant to certain diseases ✓
- To improve the growth rate and production yields ✓ (Any 1 x 1)

4.4.5 TWO disadvantages of the technique for the farmer

- More expensive/labour intensive ✓
- Needs considerable skill and experience ✓
- Synchronisation of the recipient and donor can be difficult ✓
- Recipient cow may not become pregnant/abortion may occur ✓
- Recipients may not have a strong enough heat cycle to accept the insemination ✓
- There is a danger that recipients could abort the embryos ✓
- Time consuming

(Any 2 x 1) (2)

4.5 Flow of milk

4.5.1 Rearrangement of the steps with which the milk will flow

- Alveolus ✓
- Milk ducts ✓
- Gland cistern ✓
- Teat cistern ✓
- Teat canal ✓ (5)

4.5.2 Milk let down process

(a) TWO stimuli that initiate the process

- Washing of the udder ✓
- Massage of the udder ✓
- Milking action ✓
- Appearance and sound of the milker ✓
- Seeing the calf ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)

(b) Hormone involved

Oxytocin ✓ (1)

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