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CARPENTRY AND CONSTRUCTION
MATERIALS I
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THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL
CRAFT CERTIFICATE IN BUILDING TECHNOLOGY
MODULE I

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

You should have the following for this examination:

Answer booklet;

Scientific calculator/Mathematical tables;

Drawing instruments.

This paper consists of EIGHT questions in TWO sections; A and B.

Answer FIVE questions, choosing THREE questions from section A and TWO questions from section B.

All questions carry equal marks.

Maximum marks for each part of a question are indicated.

Candidates should answer the questions in English.

This paper consists of 4 printed pages.

Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.

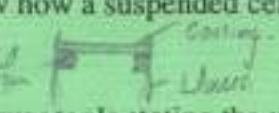
SECTION A: CARPENTRY

Answer THREE questions from this section.

1. (a) (i) State five safety precautions that should be observed in a workshop. (5 marks)
- (ii) Outline the five classes of fire. (5 marks)
- (b) Sketch and label one type of construction joint in each of the following classes: (4 marks)
- (i) lengthening joints;
 - (ii) widening joints.
- (c) With the aid of a sketch show how a timber joist is fixed on a sleeper wall. (6 marks)
2. ✓ (a) Define the following terms as used in timber frame construction: (6 marks)
- (i) joinery;
 - (ii) beam pocket;
 - (iii) blind mortice.
- (b) Outline eight factors which may influence the choice of a wood preservative. (4 marks)
- (c) (i) Define the term 'hoarding'. (2 marks)
- (ii) Sketch to show details of a vertical hoarding. (8 marks)
- (a) With the aid of sketches, differentiate between the following types of roofs: (10 marks)
- (i) lean to roof;
 - (ii) flat roof.
- (b) (i) List four types of drive way gates; (4 marks)
- (ii) Sketch an open eaves details of a roof to show gutter and down pipe connection. (6 marks)
4. ✓ (a) (i) List four types of wood finishes applied on floors. (4 marks)
- (ii) Explain three advantages of using the finishes in a(i) above. (6 marks)



(b) (i) State two advantages of using suspended ceiling. (4 marks)

(ii) With the aid of a sketch show how a suspended ceiling is anchored to a structural soffit using timber. 

5. (a) (i) List five types of portable power tools stating the uses of each. (10 marks)

(ii) Explain two types of maintenance applied on portable power tools. (6 marks)

With the aid of sketches show how a timber board is fixed on the floor using secret nailing. 

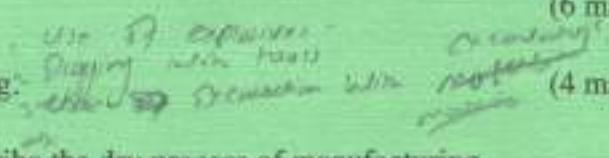
SECTION B: CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS I

Answer TWO questions from this section.

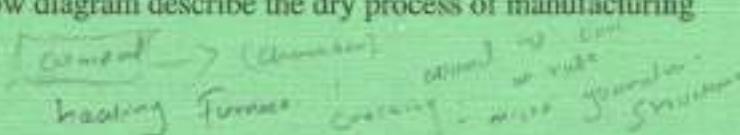
6. (a) Define the following properties of construction materials:

- (i) plasticity; *Ability of material to undergo a permanent change in shape when subjected to external force.*
- (ii) thermal conductivity; *Ability of material to conduct heat.*
- (iii) density. *Mass per unit volume.*

(6 marks)

(b) State four methods used in quarrying. 

(4 marks)

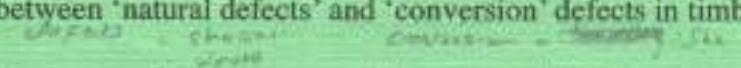
(c) With the use of a flow diagram describe the dry process of manufacturing cement. 

(10 marks)

7. (a) With the aid of sketches describe the following methods of conversion of timber:

- (i) through and through method; 
- (ii) tangential method. 

(6 marks)

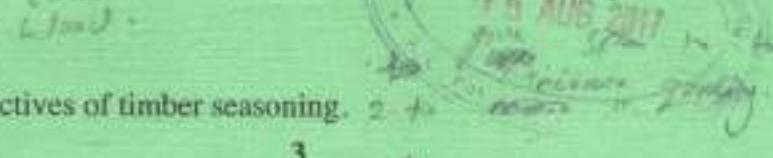
(b) Differentiate between 'natural defects' and 'conversion' defects in timber. 

(6 marks)

(c) Define the following terminologies as used in commercial timber:

- (i) scantling;
- (ii) deals;
- (iii) planks;
- (iv) boards.


(4 marks)

(d) State four objectives of timber seasoning. 

(4 marks)

8. (a) Define the following terms in relation to metals:

- (i) annealing; heating rock
(ii) non ferrous; non ferrous metal
(iii) kerf.

(6 marks)

(b) Describe two methods used in extraction of metals. (6 marks)

(c) State three advantages and three disadvantages of concrete as a building material.

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(6 marks)

(d) List two chemical admixture that can be used in concrete. (2 marks)



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