

NAUTICAL SCIENCE: PAPER II

Time: 3 hours

150 marks

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

- 1. This question paper consists of 6 pages. Please check that your question paper is complete.
- 2. Answer **ALL** the questions in Sections A, B and C.
- 3. Begin the answer to each new question on a new page.
- 4. The use of scientific calculators is permitted.
- 5. Alphanumeric calculators and dictionaries are **NOT** permitted.
- 6. Nautical tables may be used.
- 7. It is in your own interest to write legibly and to present your work neatly.

REQUIREMENTS

Drawing instruments Radar plotting sheet

ANNEXURES - Nil

SECTION A SEAMANSHIP

QUESTION 1

1.1 The three power-driven vessels depicted in the sketch below are navigating in clear visibility and in close proximity to each other. There is a risk of collision.



- 1.1.1 Identify the day signals displayed and the meaning of each one. (6)
- 1.1.2 What is the responsibility of each of the vessels so as to comply with the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea 1972 (as amended)?
- 1.2 What are the fog signals of the following vessels that are making their way in restricted visibility:

| 1.2.1 a tug towing a manned vessel? | (4) |
|--|-----|
| 1.2.2 a power-driven vessel? | (2) |
| 1.2.3 a trawler engaged in fishing? | (2) |
| Draw the lights displayed by a laden tanker underway constrained by her draught in a restricted sea area viewed from astern. | (3) |
| What are the four manoeuvring sound signals of a power-driven vessel in clear visibility? Define the meaning of each signal. | (4) |

(9)

[30]

1.3

1.4

List ten action points to be taken on the bridge of a ship when a person falls overboard whilst underway during the daytime.

Your answer must prioritise the most urgent actions.

[10]

QUESTION 3

| 3.1 | Sketch a vessel in cross section showing it with a starboard heel. | | |
|-----|---|--------------------|--|
| | 3.1.1 Stable equilibrium (+GM); | (5) | |
| | 3.1.2 Unstable equilibrium (-GM); | (5) | |
| | 3.1.3 Neutral equilibrium (ØGM). | (5) | |
| | Show the keel position, centre of buoyancy, centre of gravity and metacentre of the vessel in each of the sketches above. | | |
| 3.2 | What makes a ship "heel" to starboard? | (1) | |
| 3.3 | What makes a ship "list" to port? | | |
| 3.4 | Define "Gross tonnage". | (3) [20] | |

QUESTION 4

Your vessel is steering a course 163° (T) at a reduced speed of 5 knots due to poor visibility of less than 1 000 m. You detect a radar target astern that you have been plotting with the following bearings and ranges:

| TIME | BEARING | RANGE |
|-------|----------|--------|
| 20h00 | 255° (T) | 10,0 M |
| 20h10 | 255° (T) | 8,0 M |
| 20h20 | 255° (T) | 6,0 M |
| 20h30 | 255° (T) | 4,0 M |

| 4.1 | Plot the target's movements on the plotting sheet provided. | | |
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| | | | |

- 4.2Prepare a full target report.(10)
- 4.3 What action would you take to avoid collision with this target? (5)

[20]

QUESTION 5

| 5.1 | What are the design features of a Ro-Ro ship? | (5) |
|-----|---|--------------------|
| 5.2 | What is a Reefer vessel? | (5) [10] |
| | | 90 marks |

SECTION B COMMUNICATIONS AND METEOROLOGY

QUESTION 6

- 6.1 In the GMDSS what is Sea Area A1? (3) Describe the signal you would transmit if your vessel named "Astor" with 6.2
- call sign ZSAR was in distress having grounded on the north-west side of Dassen Island. You are requiring immediate assistance. The weather conditions are observed as wind NW force 7 and poor visibility. (12)[15]

QUESTION 7

Sketch the following isobaric pressure systems and illustrate on each one the isobaric pressure for each gradient and the wind direction for the Southern Hemisphere.

| | | 35 marks |
|-----|------------------------|--------------------|
| 7.4 | A low-pressure trough. | (5) [20] |
| 7.3 | A high-pressure ridge. | (5) |
| 7.2 | An anticyclone. | (5) |
| 7.1 | A depression. | (5) |

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SECTION C SAILINGS

QUESTION 8

A vessel on a voyage from Cape Town to the Caribbean calculates Noon position on 13 February to be at Lat. 31° 06' S Long. 013° 35' E. Ship's time is GMT + 1.

The next WP is Lat. 18° 55' N Long. 063° 25' W (GMT – 4).

| | Lat. 31° 06' Lat. 18° 55' | Meridional Parts Meridional Parts | 1952.93 1148.62 | |
|-----|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 8.1 | Calculate the course to steer to the WP. | | (10) | |
| 8.2 | 2 Calculate the distance to go to the WP. | | | (10) |
| 8.3 | What is the ETA at | the WP at 18 knots? | | (5) [25] |

25 marks

Total: 150 marks