



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2019/2020 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

DIPLOMA IN PROCUREMENT AND SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

2903/107 WAREHOUSING OPERATIONS AND STOCK CONTROL

DATE: 25/3/2020

TIME: 2.30-5.30 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

ATTEMPT ANY FIVE QUESTIONS

1. a) Explain **six** advantages of using the bar-coding method for materials in the warehouse. (12 marks)
- b) Highlight **four** benefits of using oiling as a method of preserving materials. (8 marks)
2. a) Outline the nature of preparation that a warehouse manager may make for a periodic stock-taking exercise. (8 marks)
- b) Highlight the limitations of using the Economic Order Quantity method of stock control. (12 marks)
3. a) Explain **five** reasons that may influence an organization to adopt the centralized warehousing system for its goods. (10 marks)
- b) Explain the ways in which an organization may minimize costs associated with stock holding. (10 marks)
4. a) Explain **five** measures that an organization may take to prevent pilferage of goods in its warehouses. (10 marks)
- b) Describe **five** methods that an organization may use to preserve quality of the foodstuff products. (10 marks)

5. a) Highlight the types of information that a stock recording officer should enter in a stores ledger. (10 marks)
- b) Outline **five** factors that a warehouse manager should consider when selecting a stock location method to adopt. (10 marks)
6. a) Explain **five** limitations of adopting a manual materials handling system in an organization. (10 marks)
- b) Explain the measures that a warehouse manager should take to ensure efficiency when issuing materials. (10 marks)
7. a) Weshine Limited, a manufacturing firm, has decided to use plastic packaging materials for its products. Explain five factors that may have influenced. (10 marks)
- b) Explain **five** purposes of a store ledger in warehouse operation. (10 marks)