



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2018/2019 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

FIRST YEAR SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR
DIPLOMA IN PROCUREMENT AND SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

DPS 105: WAREHOUSING OPERATION AND STOCK CONTROL

DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Question

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Explain six advantages of using public warehouses. (6 marks)
- b) Highlight six factors that a store keeper should consider when selecting the method of inspection to use for delivered goods. (6 marks)
- c) Explain six reasons that could have led the Kenyan Government to ban the use of polythene bags as a packaging material. (6 marks)
- d) Explain six purposes served by stock records in an organization. (6 marks)
- e) Highlight the limitations associated with the use of Just in Time (JIT) method of stock control. (6 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain FIVE preparations that a storekeeper should undertake before a stocktaking exercise. (10 marks)
- b) Highlight FIVE measures that a warehouse manager may put in place to control pilferage of materials in a store. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Highlight FIVE benefits that may accrue to an organization which uses bar coding for its materials. (10 marks)
- b) Explain FIVE features of the Fixed Stock Location System. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Highlight FIVE indicators of an efficient stores layout (10 marks)
- b) Highlight FIVE documents used during the inspection process for goods. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain FIVE ways in which an organization may minimize costs associated with material handling. (10 marks)
- b) Explain FIVE types of stock levels that may be set in a warehouse. (10 marks)