

# SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS/ NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS

# **MECHANICAL TECHNOLOGY: AUTOMOTIVE**

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## **MARKING GUIDELINES**

**MARKS: 200** 

These marking guidelines consist of 16 pages.

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# QUESTION 1: MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS (GENERIC)

(1) 1.1 A ✓ 1.2 В✓ (1) C✓ (1) 1.3 D√ (1) 1.4 A✓ (1) 1.5 C✓ (1) 1.6 [6]

## **QUESTION 2: SAFETY (GENERIC)**

## 2.1 Rated speed of a grinding wheel:

- Because the wheel could burst/break if it turns faster than its revolution range. / Avoid an accident. ✓
- Effectiveness of the grinding process will be compromised. ✓ (Any 1 x 1)

## 2.2 Safety precautions of a band saw in operation:

- Never leave the band saw unattended. ✓
- Use a push stick when cutting. ✓
- Hold the work piece firmly and flat on the table. ✓
- Don't adjust the machine while working. ✓
- Don't open any guard while the machine is on. ✓
- Make relief cuts before cutting tight curves. ✓
- Don't force the material into the blade. ✓
- Keep hands clear from the action point. ✓
- Keep hands braced against the table. ✓
- Keep your hands on either sides of the blade and not in line with the cutting line and the blade. ✓
- Keep loose clothing clear from action point. ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)

## 2.3 Stages in which first aid is applied:

- Examination ✓
- Diagnosis √
- Treatment ✓ (3)

#### 2.4 Causes of accidents:

- Unsafe acts ✓
- Unsafe conditions √

## 2.5 TWO advantages of the product layout:

- Handling of material is kept to a minimum. ✓
- Time period of manufacturing cycle is less. ✓
- Production control is almost automatic. ✓
- Control over operations is easier. ✓
- Greater use of unskilled labour is possible. ✓
- Less total inspection is required. ✓
- Less total floor space is needed per unit of production. ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2) [10]

## **QUESTION 3: MATERIALS (GENERIC)**

3.1	lempering:
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Tempering is a process generally applied to steel to relieve the strains/brittleness/improve ductility ✓ induced during the hardening process. ✓

(2)

## 3.2 **Annealing:**

- To relieve internal stresses ✓ that may have been set up during working of metal.
- To soften steel ✓ in order to facilitate the machining process.
- To refine their grain structure. ✓
- Reduce brittleness. ✓
- Make the steel ductile. ✓

(Any  $3 \times 1$ ) (3)

## 3.3 **Normalising temperature:**

- Above ✓ higher/upper critical temperature ✓
- Above ✓ AC<sub>3</sub> line. ✓

(Any 1 x 2) (2)

3.4 Spark pattern for carbon steels:

3.4.1 High-carbon steel ✓

(1)

3.4.2 Low-carbon steel / Mild steel ✓

(1)

3.4.3 Cast-iron ✓

(1)

## 3.5 Carbon diagram:

- A. Temperature range / °C ✓
- B. AC<sub>3</sub> line / Higher/upper critical temperature line ✓
- C. AC₁ line / Lower critical temperature line ✓
- D. Carbon content / % carbon ✓

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# **QUESTION 4: MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS (SPECIFIC)**

4.1	C✓	(1)
4.2	B✓	(1)
4.3	B✓	(1)
4.4	D✓	(1)
4.5	A✓	(1)
4.6	C✓	(1)
4.7	B✓	(1)
4.8	A/C✓	(1)
4.9	C✓	(1)
4.10	B✓	(1)
4.11	C✓	(1)
4.12	A✓	(1)
4.13	B✓	(1)
4.14	D✓	(1) <b>[14]</b>

## **QUESTION 5: TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT (SPECIFIC)**

## 5.1 Wet compression test:

- Pour/squirt some oil onto the piston through the spark plug hole. ✓
- Do the compression test. ✓
- Compare the readings to the dry compression test reading. ✓

#### 5.2 Functions:

### 5.2.1 **Compression Test:**

Indicates  $\checkmark$  the compression pressure  $\checkmark$  created by piston in the cylinder.

(2)

## 5.2.2 **Cylinder Leakage Test:**

- Indicates the % ✓ compressed air leakage from the cylinder. ✓
- Indicates the location ✓ of the leakage from the cylinder. ✓

(Any 1 x 2) (2)

## 5.3 **Gas analyser:**

- Inlet hose not to be stepped on. ✓
- Hose connection must be airtight, and valve closed. ✓
- No exhaust leaks. ✓
- Condensate must be blown out of the hose and pick-up probe. ✓
- Condenser must be drained after each test. ✓
- Filter on the condenser stand must be changed regularly. ✓
- Ensure test is done in a well-ventilated area. ✓
- On a 12v analyser, the battery clamps must be cleaned. ✓
- Make sure gas analyser is placed on a safe place. ✓ (Any 4 x 1)

## 5.4 Optical alignment gauges:

- Centre the steering on your car. ✓
- Put each half of the tracking gauge against each of the front wheels. ✓
- Look through the periscope and you should see / identify the alignment mark. ✓
- Look through the periscope and align the vertical line with the triangle by moving the pointer arm. ✓
- Read off the toe-in or toe-out. ✓

#### 5.5 **OBD-II scanner:**

- Plug the diagnostic tool into the OBD-II port. ✓
- Enter the vehicle's details into the scanner. ✓
- Turn on the vehicle's ignition. ✓
- Start the diagnostic scan. ✓
- Interpret the trouble codes and make a diagnosis. ✓

#### 5.6 Wheel balance methods:

- Dynamic balance ✓
- Static balance ✓ (2)

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## **QUESTION 6: ENGINES (SPECIFIC)**

## 6.1 Components driven by the crankshaft:

- Flywheel ✓
- Camshaft ✓
- Supercharger ✓
- Connecting rod/Pistons ✓
- Oil pump ✓
- Water pump ✓
- Power steering pump ✓
- Air conditioning pump ✓
- Radiator fan ✓
- Distributor ✓
- Alternator ✓
- Transmission/gearbox ✓

(Any 4 x 1) (4)

## 6.2 Combustion engines:

## 6.2.1 **Rotating mass:**

The crank pin, big-end ✓ and the lower two-thirds of the connecting rod. ✓

(2)

## 6.2.2 **Reciprocating mass:**

The pistons, gudgeon pins ✓ and the upper third of the connecting rod. ✓

(2)

# 6.3 Advantages of a six-cylinder V-engine over a six-cylinder straight engine:

- Can be mounted in smaller engine compartments. ✓
- Improved power to weight ratio. ✓
- More compact engine. ✓

(Any 2 x 1) (2)

#### 6.4 Turbocharger:

#### 6.4.1 **Turbocharger parts:**

A - Compressor/Compressor housing/casing ✓

B - Exhaust gas out/discharge ✓

C – Turbine wheel/blades ✓

D – Exhaust gas in ✓

E – Compressed air out/discharge ✓ (5)

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# 6.4.2 Operation of the vanes in a variable geometry turbocharger at low speed:

- At low-speed range the variable nozzle vanes are almost closed. ✓
- The vanes create a narrow path to the exhaust turbine blades. ✓
- The angle of the vanes, directs the gases to hit the blades at the correct angle ✓
- This causes the turbocharger to spin faster. ✓

## 6.5 Types of superchargers:

- Roots ✓
- Twin-screw ✓
- Centrifugal ✓
- Eccentric / sliding-vane ✓ (4)

### 6.6 Disadvantages of superchargers compared to turbochargers:

- Superchargers are less effective at increasing engine power at high revolutions. ✓
- Superchargers use engine power to drive it (parasitic). ✓
- Higher fuel consumption if generated power is not fully used. ✓
- More space required to mount the Roots supercharger. ✓
- Roots and twin-screw superchargers deliver air in bursts. ✓
- It is more expensive than a turbocharger. ✓ (Any 3 x 1) (3)

### 6.7 Difference between twin-turbocharging and twin-charging:

Twin-turbocharging uses two turbochargers ✓ while twin-charging uses a combination of a turbocharger and a supercharger. ✓

## **QUESTION 7: FORCES (SPECIFIC)**

#### 7.1 **Definitions:**

#### 7.1.1 **Work:**

Work is done when a force ✓ overcomes resistance and causes movement. ✓ (2)

7.1.2 Clearance volume:

This is the volume above the crown of the piston,  $\checkmark$  when the piston is at TDC / combustion chamber.  $\checkmark$  (2)

7.2 The mean effective pressure represented:

7.2.2 kPa/Pa or kN/m<sup>2</sup>/Nm<sup>2</sup> 
$$\checkmark$$
 (1)

#### 7.3 **Calculations:**

## 7.3.1 **Swept Volume:**

$$SV = \frac{\pi D^{2}}{4} \times L$$

$$= \frac{\pi \times 7^{2}}{4} \times \frac{65}{10} \checkmark$$

$$= 250,15 \text{ cm}^{3} \checkmark$$
(3)

## 7.3.2 Original clearance volume:

$$CV = \frac{SV}{CR - 1}$$

$$= \frac{250,15}{9 - 1} \checkmark$$

$$= 31,27 \text{ cm}^3 \checkmark$$
(3)

## 7.3.3 Stroke length:

SV = CV (CR-1) 
$$\checkmark$$
  
= 31,27(10-1)  $\checkmark$   
= 281,42 cm<sup>3</sup>  $\checkmark$ 

$$SV = \frac{\pi D^2}{4} \times L$$

$$L = \frac{SV \times 4}{\pi \times D^2} \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{281,42 \times 4}{\pi \times 7,2^2} \checkmark$$

$$= 6,912 \text{ cm} \checkmark$$

$$= 69,12 \text{ mm} \checkmark$$

= 69,12 mm ✓ (7)

#### 7.4 Calculations:

## 7.4.1 Indicated power:

$$L = \frac{10}{100}$$
$$= 0.1 \text{ m} \checkmark$$

Area = 
$$\frac{\pi \ D^2}{4}$$
  
=  $\frac{\pi \times 0.08^2}{4}$   $\checkmark$   
=  $5.03 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2 \checkmark$ 

$$N = \frac{2500}{60 \times 2}$$
= 20,83 firing strokes/sec  $\checkmark$ 

IP = PLANn  
IP = 
$$(1250 \times 10^3) \times 0.1 \times (5.03 \times 10^{-3}) \times 20.83 \times 4$$
  $\checkmark$   
= 52387,45 W  
IP = 52,39 kW  $\checkmark$  (7)

## 7.4.2 **Torque:**

$$BP = 2\pi NT$$

$$N = \frac{2500}{60}$$
  
= 41,67 r/s  $\checkmark$ 

$$T = \frac{BP}{2\pi N} \checkmark$$
=\frac{(46,08 \times 10^3)}{2 \times \pi \times 41,67} \\
= 176 \text{Nm} \sqrt{} \tag{4}

## 7.4.3 **Mechanical efficiency:**

Mechanical efficiency = 
$$\frac{BP}{IP} \times 100$$
  
=  $\frac{46,08}{52,39} \times 100$   $\checkmark$   
=  $87,96 \% \checkmark$  (2)

## **QUESTION 8: MAINTENANCE (SPECIFIC)**

#### 8.1 Lean fuel mixture:

- High oxygen (O₂) ✓
- Low Carbon dioxide (CO₂) ✓
- High Nitrogen oxide (NO<sub>x</sub>) ✓

#### (3)

## 8.2 High hydrocarbon (HC) exhaust gas reading:

- Incomplete combustion ✓
- Improper valve timing ✓
- Improper ignition timing ✓
- Faulty air management system ✓
- Blocked or restricted air-filter ✓
- Faulty temperature sensor ✓
- Faulty oxygen sensor ✓
- Excessive fuel pressure ✓
- Non-functioning PCV valve ✓
- Faulty catalytic convertor ✓

(Any 3 x 1) (3)

## 8.3 Compression test:

	Causes		Corrective Measures	
•	Blown cylinder head gasket ✓	•	Replace with new gasket ✓	
•	Cracked cylinder head ✓	•	Replace/repair cylinder head ✓	(4

#### 8.4 **Bubbles in the radiator water:**

- Blown cylinder head gasket ✓
- Cracked cylinder head ✓

## (2)

#### 8.5 **Oil pressure test:**

- Oil pressure at idling speed. ✓
- Oil pressure at high revolutions. ✓
- Oil pressure when engine is cold. ✓
- Oil pressure when engine is hot. ✓

(Any  $3 \times 1$ ) (3)

## 8.6 **Precautions while setting up the fuel tester:**

- Ensure that you wear the correct PPE e.g. safety goggles. ✓
- Ensure that the tester can read the fuel pressure of the engine. ✓
- Ensure that the place where you will couple the tester is clean before you remove the sender unit. ✓
- Ensure the rubber pipe on the tester is not perished. ✓
- Put the tester at a place on the engine that is safe from the running engine. ✓
- Ensure that there are no flammable materials in proximity. ✓
- Ensure that there is a fire-extinguisher. ✓ (Any 4 x 1) (4)

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## 8.7 **Radiator pressure drop:**

- Repair leaks between components / gasket leaks. ✓
- Repair leaking hoses. ✓
- Tighten loose hose clamps. ✓
- Repair or replace leaking water pump. ✓
- Repair or replace corroded pipes. ✓
- Replace blown head gasket. ✓
- Repair or replace leaking radiator. ✓
- Repair or replace leaking cabin heater radiator. ✓
- Renew the heater tap. ✓
- Renew the welch or core plugs. ✓

(Any 4 x 1) (4)

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## QUESTION 9: SYSTEMS AND CONTROL (AUTOMATIC GEARBOX) (SPECIFIC)

#### 9.1 Lock-up torque converter:

## 9.1.1 Function of the lock-up clutch:

- The lock-up clutch improves efficiency ✓
- Prevents slip ✓

#### 9.1.2 Functions of a stator:

- Redirects oil back to the impeller. ✓
- Increases the engine torque. √

## 9.1.3 Lock-up clutch is engaged:

- The oil pressure in the torque converter increases with engine speed. ✓
- The pressurised oil is channelled to the lock-up clutch piston. ✓
- The lock-up clutch piston pushes the friction plate against the clutch friction surface attached to the housing. ✓
- Since the friction plate is splined to the impeller, it connects the impeller and turbine. ✓
- The turbine and impeller begin to turn as one. ✓ (5)

## 9.2 Automatic gearbox:

- 9.2.1 Double epicyclic gear train. ✓ (1)
- 9.2.2 Three forward ✓
  - One reverse ✓ (2)

#### 9.3 Cooling the hydraulic transmission fluid in an automatic transmission:

- The hydraulic transmission fluid is circulated through an oil cooler at the radiator. /Oil is cooled by circulating through the bottom tank of the radiator. ✓
- The airflow over the transmission sump allow for cooling of the oil. ✓ (2)

# 9.4 Differences between the construction of a manual transmission and automatic transmission:

Manual	Automatic
<ul> <li>Less complex design. ✓</li> <li>Different gear sets used to obtain different gear ratios. ✓</li> <li>Cluster and simple gear trains</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>More complex design. ✓</li> <li>Same gear sets used to obtain different gear ratios. ✓</li> <li>Epicyclic-gear trains used. ✓</li> </ul>
used. ✓ • Dry clutch used when changing gears. ✓	<ul> <li>Wet clutch used to engage gears. ✓</li> </ul>

(Any 2 x 2) (4)

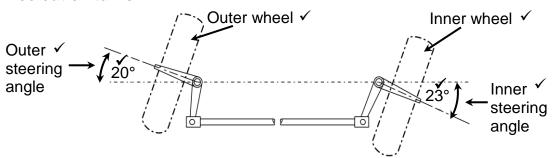
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# QUESTION 10: SYSTEMS AND CONTROL (AXLES, STEERING GEOMETRY AND ELECTRONIC) (SPECIFIC)

## 10.1 Pre-checks on vehicle suspension before wheel alignment:

- Correct preload on the wheel (hub) bearings ✓
- Kingpins and bushes ✓
- Suspension ball joints for wear, locking and lifting ✓
- Suspension bushes for excessive free movement ✓
- Steering box play and whether secure on chassis ✓
- Tie-rod ends ✓
- Sagged springs, which includes riding height ✓
- Ineffective shock absorbers ✓
- Spring U-bolts ✓
- Chassis for possible cracks and loose cross-members ✓ (Any 3 x 1)

#### 10.2 Toe out on turns:



NOTE: Steering angles should be different. If degrees indicated are the same, candidate loses the TWO marks. Angles sizes shown are just an example.

#### 10.3 Faults toe-out on turns:

- Wear on the suspension parts ✓
- Wheel bearing wear ✓
- Steering system wear ✓

(Any 2 x 1) (2)

(6)

### 10.4 **Static balancing:**

- Mount the wheel so that it is free to spin on a spindle. ✓
- Spin the wheel slowly. ✓
- If the wheel is out of balance, it will always come to rest at the same point, ✓ the 'heavy spot', at the bottom.
- To correct static imbalance, a small weight is fitted to the wheel rim by trial and error, opposite the 'heavy spot'. ✓
- Repeat until the wheel stops at random positions. ✓

## 10.5 **Electronic Control Unit (ECU) functions:**

10.5.1 **Air-induction system:** 

The air-induction system measures  $\checkmark$  and controls  $\checkmark$  the air required for the combustion.

(2)

10.5.2 **Ignition system:** 

The purpose of the ignition system is to ignite ✓ the air/fuel mixture in the combustion chamber at the correct time. ✓

(2)

10.6 Catalytic convertor gases:

- Hydrocarbons (HC) ✓
- Carbon monoxide (CO) ✓
- Nitrogen oxide (NOx) ✓

(Any 2 x 1) (2)

10.7 Labels common rail direct injection (CRDI) system:

- A. Common rail ✓
- B. High pressure pump / pump / diesel pump ✓
- C. Diesel/fuel filter ✓

D. Injectors ✓ (4)

10.8 Function of the pressure regulator:

- It keeps the pressure ✓ in the common rail at a specified pressure. ✓
- It relieves excessive pressure ✓ in the common rail. ✓ (Any 1 x 2) (2)

10.9 **The alternator:** 

**10.9.1 Component:** 

A. Rotor ✓

B. Capacitor ✓ (2)

10.9.2 Winding connection:

Star / Y ✓ connected stator windings (1)

10.9.3 **Diodes:** 

Six (6) ✓ (1) [32]

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