

INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATE IN LOGISTICS AND TRANSPORT

SUPPLY CHAIN OPERATIONS 07-L3

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Note to Candidates

Candidates are advised to spend NOT more than 40 minutes on each question

Instructions to Candidates

- Duration of examination: 2.30 hours
- Answer any FOUR questions
- Questions may be answered in any order.
- Allocations of marks are indicated along each question.
- Credit will be given for citing relevant examples.
- Write legibly.

QUESTION 1

- (a) For an organisation of your choice, what do you consider to be the key factors that have influenced the location of the production and distribution facilities. (7 marks)
- (b) Assess the four distinct production approaches that can be used in the design of supply chain structures for the organisation that you chose. (8 marks)
- (c) As the team leader, you have been tasked with recommending a production related or warehousing system for the organisation. What factors will you consider in the selection of an appropriate system for this organisation? (8 marks)
- (d) State the name of the system that you will recommend in 1 (c). (2 marks)

QUESTION 2

Take time to identify factors that are likely to impact on the operations of your organisation.

Use the LoNGPEST grid to assist you in the exercise. (25 marks)

QUESTION 3

- (a) What are some of the factors that affect an organisation's ability to deliver on time? (5 marks)
- (b) Suggest how your organisation can minimise the impact of these factors on its ability to deliver on time. (20 marks)

QUESTION 4

Prepare a 'strengths' and 'weaknesses' analysis of the different modes of transport.

(25 marks)

QUESTION 5

(a) Define an agile supply chain.

(5 marks)

(b) Explain the difference between agile and lean supply chains.

(15 marks)

(c) List, giving examples, five technologies that have enhanced supply chain operations.

(5 marks)

QUESTION 6

Identify some key performance indicators that an organisation of your choice uses.

(a) Which ones are productivity and utilisation measures?

(10 marks)

 (b) Suggest other performance indicators giving your reasons why they are important for this organisation.
 (15 marks)