

THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED SHIPBROKERS

APRIL 2006 EXAMINATIONS

THURSDAY 20 APRIL – AFTERNOON

PORT AGENCY

Time allowed – Three hours

Answer any **FIVE** questions – All questions carry equal marks

1. Compile a detailed time sheet and calculate demurrage and dispatch due from the information within the Statement of Facts.

m.v. "Rosyth"

Arrived	0700 Hrs Wednesday 3rd June
N.O.R. Tendered	1100 Hrs Wednesday 3rd June
Loading Commenced	0700 Hrs Thursday 4 th June
Loading Completed	1100 Hrs Tuesday 9th June
Vessel Sailed	1400 Hrs Tuesday 9th June

Cargo loaded 15,000 metric tonnes grain in bulk

“Laytime to commence at 1300 Hours if notice is given before noon. At 0700 Hrs next working day if given after noon, notice to be given in ordinary working hours (0900-1700 Hrs Monday to Friday)”.

”Cargo to be loaded at the rate of 5,000 metric tonnes per weather working day of 24 consecutive hours.”

Time from 1700 Hrs Friday or the day preceding a holiday to 0800 Hrs Monday, or next working day not to count unless used, but only actual time to count, unless vessel already on demurrage.

Demurrage rate \$ 5,000 per day pro rata/dispatch rate at half demurrage rate on lay time saved.

Other salient notes: No weekend working took place.

On Thursday 4th June rain stopped work in the port from 0900-1100 Hrs.

On Friday 5th June rain stopped work in the port from 0800-1200 Hrs.

The vessel's sailing was delayed due the next available high water.

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2. A vessel under your agency ran aground whilst attempting to berth at your port. It is subsequently discovered that one of your agency staff members inadvertently provided incorrect tidal information for the berthing in question to the master and the vessel's owners. Subsequently the owners have held you responsible. Advise your actions and write a formal letter of response to the owners.

3. With the aid of sketches describe the following vessel types.
 - (a) Multi –Purpose General Cargo Vessel
 - (b) Cape Size Bulk Carrier

4. An owner, with whom you are not commercially acquainted, has appointed your company as agent for a VLCC. You have requested advance funds several days prior to the port call; however the owners have not responded. The port disbursement is estimated to be USD 100,000. On the day the vessel is due to sail the owners have contacted you advising that they wish to pay on thirty days of receipt of final disbursement, and they shall then appoint your company for any future calls of their vessel. Prepare a reply to the owners.

5. A steel trader has contacted your company requesting a commercial proposal, which requires your agency company to handle Ships Agency calls, discharge, customs clearance and distribution of the cargo in your port.
Create a formal response to the prospective new customer.

6. Define and explain **FOUR** of the following terms:-
 - (a) B.B.B
 - (b) C.Q.D.
 - (c) Sous Palan
 - (d) T.I.P
 - (e) F.I.O.S.P.T

7. You are charterer's appointed agent. A vessel under your agency has loaded a cargo of steel drums. During loading operations the master and mate have noted that several of the drums are rust stained. On presentation of the bills of lading the master has refused to sign. Please advise your actions.

8. Your manager is constructing a tender bid for a tanker owner requesting port agency services in your port. He has requested that you prepare a profile of your companies IT capabilities with a specific alignment to the tanker trade.