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## INTERNATIONAL VOCATIONAL ENGLISH EXAMINATIONS

English for Logistics Examination: General Description

| PART 1 <br> Listening (approx. 10 minute | Task type: Multiple choice <br> Format: ten unrelated dialogues of about 30 seconds' duration, each followed by a 3-option multiple choice item <br> The candidates listen to a short dialogue, then choose the correct statement from three that are based on the dialogue. The recordings are dialogues between two interacting speakers (conversations, interviews, discussions, etc.). <br> Task Focus: identifying detail, understanding and interpreting information, specific information, gist, detail, main idea, function, purpose, attitude, opinion, etc. <br> Marking Scheme: 10 items $\times 2$ points $=20$ points <br> NOTE: Each part is heard twice. |
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| PART 2 Knowledge of Linguistic Means (20 minutes) | Task type: Multiple choice <br> Format: 18 4-option multiple choice sentences <br> Task Focus: lexical <br> Marking Scheme: 18 items x 2 points $=36$ points <br> Topic areas: safety issues; supply chain; 3PL; inbound/outbound logistics; reverse/production/ distribution/ procurement logistics; inventory costs; material handling systems \& equipment; materia transport units; storage analysis \& equipment; air/rail/motor/ocean freight transportation; customs \& shipping documents; warehouse management systems \& distribution centers; employment opportunities; customer service; measurements \& basic math; emergency logistics; food \& cold chain logistics; ordering \& scheduling; loading docks; security \& substainability |
| PART 3 Knowledge of Language Functions (15 minutes) | Task type: Multiple choice <br> Format: 16 2-option multiple choice exchanges <br> Task Focus: lexico-grammatical <br> Marking Scheme: 16 items $\times 1$ point = 16 points <br> Functions: requesting more information; describing job duties/progress/a process/benefits/plans and schedules; stating requirements/possibilities; introducing a problem; discussing options/features/risk; talking about/giving measurements; talking about experience; arranging a meeting time; clarifying options/ information; confirming details; checking for understanding; disagreeing with an opinion; suggesting changes; stressing a point; explaining a term/what is needed; making an apology; asking for repetition/clarification; estimating time; talking about future events; giving a compliment/an estimate/a reminder/a reason/instructions; expressing relief/disbelief/urgency/confidence; making predictions; ending a conversation |
| PART 4 Reading (10 minutes) | Task type: Multiple choice - True/False/Doesn't say <br> Format: Three short texts (60-100 words each) containing factual information related to the field of logistics; the first two texts are followed by two 3-option multiple choice questions each, while the third text is followed by two True/False/Doesn't Say questions. <br> Task Focus: understanding detail, specific information, implication, attitude, reference and meaning Marking Scheme: 6 items $\times 3$ points $=18$ points <br> NOTE: All the texts are related to the specific field of study. |
| PART 5 Writing Awareness (5 minutes) | Task type: A gapped text <br> Format: One text (100-200 words) from which five sentences, phrases, words or headings have been removed and placed in a jumbled order, together with an extra option as a distractor, above the text. Task Focus: recognition of writing features and language as required in their field of study Marking Scheme: 5 items $\times 2$ points $=10$ points <br> NOTE: The candidate may be asked to complete a job advertisement, an email, a webpage article, a manual excerpt, a memo, an article, a chart, a checklist, an occupational manual, a textbook excerpt, an email requesting information, a recommendation email, a company policy, an advertisement, a company webpage, a poster, a letter, an employee profile, a brochure, or a pamphlet. This task is based on elements of writing that the candidates will need to produce in the field of logistics for professional purposes. |
| Duration: 60 minutes | Marks: TOTAL: 100 points |

