



Question Paper

Module 4:	Product Handling, Storage and Distribution	
Date: 08 May 2017	Time: 09:30 – 11:30	Duration: 2 Hours

You should have the following for this examination: **one answer book; pencil, pen and ruler.**

All questions carry equal marks. The maximum marks for each section within a question are shown. Answer **ALL EIGHT** questions, starting each question (1-8) on a **new** page in the answer book.

1. a) i) State the minimum recommended diameter of a bulk storage bin. (1 mark)
ii) Explain why this is the recommended minimum. (5 marks)
b) Outline SIX advantages of steel silo construction compared to concrete. (6 marks)

2. a) State TWO basic procedures used by the miller to produce consistent finished products. (2 Marks)
b) Describe the THREE main types of mixer used in flour blending systems. (6 marks)
c) Describe briefly FOUR practices which ease the storage problems of wheatfeed. (4 marks)

3. a) i) State TWO reasons for placing a magnet prior to a redressing machine. (1 mark)
ii) Outline the reasons for installing a redresser in the packing process. (1 mark)
iii) Describe the operation of a drum type redresser. (4 marks)
b) Describe briefly SIX factors to be considered when choosing a sack design. (6 Marks)

4. a) Sketch and name SIX possible configurations of filled flour bags stacked on a pallet. (6 marks)
b) List SIX key considerations when selecting a type of pallet to be used. (6 marks)

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5. a) List TWO advantages and TWO disadvantages of block stacking in a warehouse. (4 marks)
- b) Outline FIVE safety rules that apply to the use of a forklift truck. (5 marks)
- c) Describe briefly THREE factors to be considered when designing the layout of a warehouse. (3 marks)
6. a) i) Outline THREE disadvantages of manual palletisation. (3 marks)
- ii) Outline THREE disadvantages of automatic palletisation. (3 marks)
- b) List SIX factors to be considered when setting up a warehouse management system. (6 marks)
7. a) With the aid of sketches, describe the TWO main types of bulk flour tanker. (6 marks)
- b) Describe the method used to discharge mini bulk containers. (6 marks)
8. a) Describe THREE methods of space treatment to control flying moths and other exposed insects. (6 marks)
- b) List THREE methods used to control bird pests. (3 marks)
- c) Describe briefly TWO rodenticides which may be used around the mill. (3 marks)