Safety

Supervisors are advised to remind candidates that all substances in the examination should be treated with caution. Only those tests described in the question paper should be attempted. Please also see under 'Apparatus' on the use of pipette fillers and safety goggles.

In accordance with COSHH (Control of Substances Hazardous to Health) Regulations, operative in the UK, a hazard appraisal of the examination has been carried out.

Attention is drawn, in particular, to certain materials used in the examination. The following codes are used where relevant.

- \( C \) = corrosive
- \( MH \) = moderate hazard
- \( HH \) = health hazard
- \( T \) = acutely toxic
- \( F \) = flammable
- \( O \) = oxidising
- \( N \) = hazardous to the aquatic environment

The attention of Supervisors is drawn to any local regulations relating to safety and first-aid.

‘Hazard Data Sheets’, relating to materials used in this examination, should be available from your chemical supplier.

Preparing the Examination

1. **Access to the question paper is NOT permitted in advance of the examination.**

2. **Preparation of materials**

   Where quantities are specified for each candidate, they are sufficient for the experiments described in the question paper to be completed.

   In preparing materials, the bulk quantity for each substance should be increased by 25% as spare material should be available to cover accidental loss. More material may be supplied if requested by candidates, without penalty.

   All solutions should be bulked and mixed thoroughly before use to ensure uniformity.

   **Supervisors are asked to carry out any confirmatory tests given on page 4 to ensure the materials supplied are appropriate.**

3. **Labelling of materials**

   Materials must be labelled as specified in these instructions. Materials with a letter code (e.g. \( P \), \( Q \)) should be so labelled, without the identities being included on the label – where appropriate, the identity of a letter-coded chemical is given in the question paper itself.

4. **Identity of materials**

   It should also be noted that descriptions of solutions given in the question paper may not correspond exactly with the specification in these Instructions. **The candidates must assume the descriptions given in the question paper.**

5. **Size of group**

   In view of the difficulty of the preparation of large quantities of solution of uniform concentration, it is recommended that the maximum number of candidates per group be 30 and that separate supplies of solutions be prepared for each group.
Apparatus

1 In addition to the fittings ordinarily contained in a chemical laboratory, the apparatus and materials specified below will be necessary.

2 Pipette fillers (or equivalent safety devices) and safety goggles should be used where necessary.

3 For each candidate

- 1 × 50 cm³ burette
- 1 × 20 cm³ or 25 cm³ pipette
- (It is essential that all candidates at a Centre have a pipette of the same capacity.)
- 1 × pipette filler
- 1 × stand
- 1 × burette clamp
- 1 × funnel for filling burette
- 1 × white tile
- 1 × flask or other suitable vessel for titration
- a supply of test-tubes
- 1 × test-tube rack
- 1 × stirring rod
- 2 × boiling tubes
- 1 × hard-glass test-tube
- 1 × Bunsen burner
- 1 × test-tube holder
- 1 × heat-proof mat
- 1 × wash bottle containing distilled water
- 1 × teat/dropping pipette
- 1 × spatula
### Chemicals Required

1. It is *especially important* that great care is taken that the confidential information given below does not reach the candidates either directly or indirectly.

2. **Particular requirements**

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<tr>
<td>P</td>
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<td>150 cm³</td>
<td>0.02 mol/dm³ potassium manganate(VII)</td>
<td>Dissolve 3.16 g of potassium manganate(VII), KMnO₄ [N] [O] [MH], in each dm³ of solution.</td>
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<td>[MH]</td>
<td>Q</td>
<td>150 cm³</td>
<td>0.08 mol/dm³ iron(II) sulfate in 0.5 mol/dm³ sulfuric acid</td>
<td>Dissolve 22.2 g of iron(II) sulfate heptahydrate, FeSO₄·7H₂O [MH], or 31.4 g of iron(II) ammonium sulfate hexahydrate, FeSO₄·(NH₄)₂SO₄·6H₂O [MH], in 500 cm³ 1.0 mol/dm³ sulfuric acid [MH] and then dilute the solution with water to 1 dm³.</td>
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Supervisors are asked to carry out a redox titration between solutions P and Q to ensure that the concentrations of the two solutions fall within the given range. It is *essential* that 25.0 cm³ of Q reacts with between 19.0 cm³ and 21.0 cm³ of P (or 20.0 cm³ of Q reacts with between 15.0 cm³ and 17.0 cm³ of P).

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<th>[C]</th>
<th>R</th>
<th>20 cm³</th>
<th>1.0 mol/dm³ nitric acid</th>
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<td>S</td>
<td></td>
<td>0.2 g</td>
<td>calcium carbonate powder</td>
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<td>litmus solution</td>
<td>1 cm³</td>
<td>aqueous litmus</td>
<td>A piece should be about 1 cm square and approximately 0.1 mm thickness.</td>
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<td>aluminium</td>
<td>1 piece</td>
<td>aluminium foil</td>
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<td>aqueous iron(II) sulfate</td>
<td>3 cm³</td>
<td>0.2 mol/dm³ iron(II) sulfate in 0.05 mol/dm³ sulfuric acid</td>
<td>Dissolve 56 g of iron(II) sulfate heptahydrate, FeSO₄·7H₂O [MH], in 500 cm³ of distilled water and 50 cm³ 1.0 mol/dm³ sulfuric acid [MH]. Dilute the solution with distilled water to 1 dm³.</td>
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<th>[F]</th>
<th>magnesium</th>
<th>1 piece</th>
<th>magnesium ribbon</th>
<th>approximately 2 cm strip of magnesium ribbon [F]</th>
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<td>[MH]</td>
<td>ammonium chloride</td>
<td>0.1 g</td>
<td>ammonium chloride powder</td>
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3 The standard bench reagents specifically required are set out below. If necessary, they may be made available from a communal supply: however, the attention of the Invigilators should be drawn to the fact that such an arrangement may enhance the opportunity for malpractice between candidates.

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<td>dilute nitric acid</td>
<td>1.0 mol/dm³ nitric acid</td>
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<td>[MH]</td>
<td>dilute sulfuric acid</td>
<td>0.5 mol/dm³ sulfuric acid</td>
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<td>[N]</td>
<td>aqueous silver nitrate</td>
<td>0.05 mol/dm³ silver nitrate</td>
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<td>[C]</td>
<td>aqueous sodium hydroxide</td>
<td>1.0 mol/dm³ sodium hydroxide</td>
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<td>[MH][N]</td>
<td>aqueous ammonia</td>
<td>1.0 mol/dm³ ammonia</td>
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<td></td>
<td>aqueous barium nitrate</td>
<td>0.2 mol/dm³ barium nitrate</td>
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0.2 mol/dm³ barium chloride (labelled barium nitrate) may be used as an alternative.

4 The reagents, materials and apparatus to test the gases listed in the syllabus must be available to candidates. If necessary, they may be made available from a communal supply: however, the attention of the Invigilators should be drawn to the fact that such an arrangement may enhance the opportunity for malpractice between candidates.

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<td>[MH]</td>
<td>limewater</td>
<td>saturated aqueous calcium hydroxide, Ca(OH)₂</td>
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<td>Prepare fresh limewater by leaving distilled water to stand over solid calcium hydroxide for several days, shaking occasionally. Decant or filter the solution.</td>
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<td>[MH]</td>
<td>acidified aqueous potassium manganate(VII)</td>
<td>0.01 mol/dm³ potassium manganate(VII) 0.5 mol/dm³ sulfuric acid</td>
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<td>Mix equal volumes of 0.02 mol/dm³ potassium manganate(VII) and 1.0 mol/dm³ sulfuric acid [MH].</td>
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red and blue litmus paper or Universal Indicator paper
plain filter strips for use with acidified aqueous potassium manganate(VII)
wooden splints
the apparatus normally used in the Centre for use with limewater in testing for carbon dioxide
During the Examination

1. The Supervisor, or other competent chemist, must carry out the experiments in Question 1 and Question 2 and record the results on a spare copy of the question paper which should be labelled ‘Supervisor's Results’.

   N.B. This should be done for:
   each session held and each laboratory used in that session, and each set of solutions supplied.

   It is essential that each packet of scripts contains a copy of the applicable Supervisor's Results as the candidates' work cannot be assessed accurately without such information.

2. The Supervisor must complete the Report Form on page 7 to show which candidates attended each session. If all candidates took the examination in one session, please indicate this on the Report Form. A copy of the Report Form must accompany each copy of the Supervisor's Results in order for the candidates' work to be assessed accurately.

   The Supervisor must give details on page 8 of any particular difficulties experienced by a candidate, especially if the Examiner would be unable to discover this from the written answers.

After the Examination

Each envelope returned to Cambridge must contain the following items.

1. The scripts of those candidates specified on the bar code label provided.

2. A copy of the Supervisor's Results relevant to the candidates in 1.

3. A copy of the Report Form, including details of any difficulties experienced by candidates (see pages 7 and 8).

4. The Attendance Register.

5. A Seating Plan for each session/laboratory.

Failure to provide appropriate documentation in each envelope may cause candidates to be penalised.

Colour Blindness

With regard to colour blindness, it is permissible to advise candidates who request assistance on colours of, for example, precipitates and solutions (especially titration end-points). Please include with the scripts a note of the candidate numbers of such candidates.

Experience suggests that candidates who are red/green colour-blind – the most common form – do not generally have significant difficulty. Reporting such cases with the scripts removes the need for a ‘Special Consideration’ application.
REPORT FORM

This form must be completed and sent to the Examiner in the envelope with the scripts.

Centre Number ........................................... Name of Centre .....................................................

1 Supervisor's Results

Supervisors are asked to use a spare copy of the question paper to report their results for Q.1 and Q.2 and enclose this copy of the question paper with the candidates’ answers. This copy of the question paper should be clearly labelled ‘Supervisor’s Results’. Failure to enclose these results and this Report Form may lead to candidates being avoidably penalised.

If candidates from more than one Centre are taking the examination, it is essential that a copy of the ‘Supervisor’s Results’ should be sent with the scripts from each Centre.

2 The candidate numbers of candidates attending each session were:

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3 The Supervisor is invited to report details of any difficulties experienced by particular candidates, giving names and candidate numbers. This report should include reference to:

(a) any general difficulties encountered in making preparation;

(b) difficulties due to faulty apparatus or materials;

(c) accidents with apparatus or materials;

(d) assistance with respect to colour blindness.

Other cases of hardship, e.g. illness, temporary disability, should be reported direct to CIE on the normal 'Application for Special Consideration' form.

4 A plan of work benches, giving details by candidate numbers of the places occupied by the candidates for each experiment for each session, must be enclosed with the scripts.

NAME OF CENTRE ................................................................................................................................

SIGNED ..........................................................................

Supervisor

CENTRE NUMBER ..................................................

If the candidates' Centre number is different from the number of the Centre at which the examination was taken, the Supervisor should write both Centre numbers in the spaces provided.

Declaration (to be signed by the Principal)

The preparation of this examination has been carried out so as to maintain fully the security of the examination.

SIGNED ..........................................................................

NAME (in block capitals) ................................................................................................................................

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