



**DIRECTORATE OF MERCHANT SHIPPING**  
**GOVERNMENT OF SRI LANKA**  
**CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCY EXAMINATION**

GRADE : CHIEF MATE ON SHIPS OF 500 GT OR MORE (UNLIMITED)  
SUBJECT : Electronic Navigation Systems  
DATE : 02<sup>nd</sup> February 2018

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Time allowed **THREE** hours

Total marks : 150

**ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**

Pass marks : 50%

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Formulae and all intermediate steps taken in reaching your answer should be clearly shown. You may draw sketches wherever required. Electronic devices capable of storing and retrieving are **NOT** allowed.

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- 1)
  - (a) Explain GPS Clock synchronization and measurement of distance to a satellite.  
(10 marks)
  - (b) Describe the operation of DGPS systems with examples.  
(15 marks)
  
- 2)
  - (a) State the main aspects covered in the annual survey of AIS.  
(15 marks)
  - (b) Describe the long range AIS principles and applications.  
(10 marks)
  
- 3)
  - a) What are the main components of the LRIT system.  
(15 marks)
  - b) What is the difference between conventional Loran-C and present eLoran system and describe the pulse format used by Eurofix.  
(10 marks)
  
- 4)
  - a) Explain why a controlled Gyro cannot be used as a direction-finding device until it is damped.  
(10 marks)
  - b) Sketch suitable diagrams to show settling position of a Gyro compass damped in Tilt and damped in Azimuth in Northern Hemisphere.  
(05 marks)

- c) Explain why a Gyro compass damped in tilt does not settle on a meridian and settle slightly off the meridian and above/below the horizon while a Gyro compass damp in azimuth settle on a meridian but slightly above/below the horizon.

(10 marks)

5)

- a) List ten requirements on the performance standard of a Gyro Compass.
- b) Explain by using suitable sketches the liquid ballistic controlled Gyro compass.
- c) Enumerate the errors associated with a Gyro Compass and describe one of them in detail.

(05 marks)

(10 marks)

(10 marks)

6)

- a) On a particular day with overcast skies during your passage from Yokohama to Trincomalee, the vessel was swung and the following deviations were obtained on ship's head by compass.

N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW
10 <sup>0</sup> E	15 <sup>0</sup> E	02 <sup>0</sup> E	15 <sup>0</sup> E	10 <sup>0</sup> W	9 <sup>0</sup> E	14 <sup>0</sup> E	07 <sup>0</sup> E

Analyze the above deviations and determine the values of the approximate coefficients.

(6 marks)

- b) Suggest how you would affect corrections to minimize the compass deviations as stated in above (a).
- c) Briefly explain the following:
- VFI
  - Kelvin deflector
  - Illustrate in a sketch the magnetic compass bowl.
- d) Explain the causes for:
- Coefficient B
  - Coefficient J

(04 marks)

(03 marks each)

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