



**TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MOMBASA**  
***Faculty of Business and Social Studies***

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS STUDIES

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS FOR DEGREE IN  
BACHELOR OF COMMERCE  
(PROCUREMENT AND LOGISTICS OPTIONS)

**BPC 4304: WAREHOUSING AND STORES MANAGEMENT**

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

**SERIES: APRIL 2015**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer Question **ONE (Compulsory)** and any other **TWO** questions.
- Do not write on the question paper

***This paper consists of Two printed pages***

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**QUESTION 1 (Compulsory)**

Space management is a key measure of warehouse productivity. Discuss how a warehouse manager can deploy the following concepts and methods to ensure optimum space utilization.

- a) Storage systems. **(10 marks)**
- b) Storage location methods. **(10 marks)**
- c) Dynamic versus static storage. **(10 marks)**

## QUESTION 2

- a) Modern warehousing has advanced and moved away from traditional perception of warehousing as a storage activity. Analyze the various perspectives on the definitions and meaning of the concept of warehousing. **(10 marks)**
- b) Analyze the rationale of warehousing in a modern supply chain despite the practice of demand driven supply chain management. **(10 marks)**

## QUESTION 3

- a) Discuss at least **FIVE** major stock taking techniques. **(10 marks)**
- b) A well-defined system of identification and classification of stores will help in the proper performance of store-keeping functions. Discuss at least **FOUR** functions of stores classifications. **(10 marks)**

## QUESTION 4

- a) Describe the different forms used to maintain stock records. **(10 marks)**
- b) In stores management the stores should have functional sections to guide set policy and procedure. Discuss the **FOUR** key different functional sections of a store and what they undertake. **(10 marks)**

## QUESTION 5

Discuss the various theories that may be applied in a warehousing make/buy/lease decision analysis and describe the factors each should take into consideration. **(20 marks)**