



# TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MOMBASA

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## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR:

BACHELOR OF TECHNOLOGY IN ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY

ACH 4306: INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION CONTROL

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

**SERIES: DECEMBER 2024**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DATE:** Pick Date Jan 2025

### Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination

*-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions. Answer question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

**Do not write on the question paper.**

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### Question ONE

- (a) The HO<sup>•</sup> radical is often referred to as the environmental vacuum cleaner. Provide any TWO examples to demonstrate the removal of toxic pollutants from the atmosphere by HO<sup>•</sup> radical. **(4 marks)**
- (b) (i) Identify TWO gaseous emissions and sources from manufacturing industries that are key ingredients in the formation of acid rain. **(1 mark)**
- (ii) Write appropriate equations showing the formation of acid rain. **(4 marks)**
- (c) Describe the term the Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) with reference to wastewater. **(4 marks)**
- (d) High proportions of nitrates are not removed during wastewater treatment under aerobic conditions. Explain this observation. **(4 marks)**
- (e) (i) Define the term Procedural Standards applied as a strategy in waste management. **(1 mark)**

- (ii) Provide any TWO examples of Procedural Standards regulated by NEMA. (2 marks)
- (f) Provide any TWO reasons why industrial process wastewater is not normally directly channeled into the municipal wastewater treatment facility. (4 marks)
- (g) Define the following terms applied in wastewater treatment
  - (i) Fixed-film or attached growth systems (2 marks)
  - (ii) Suspended-growth systems. (2 marks)
- (h) List any TWO types of equipment for control of industrial gaseous emissions. (2 marks)

### **Question TWO**

- (a) Define the following strategies in air pollution management
  - (i) Emission Standard Strategy (2 marks)
  - (ii) Economic Incentive Strategy. (2 marks)
- (b) Describe any FOUR natural processes involved in wastewater treatment in oxidation lagoons. (8 marks)
- (c) Outline the functioning of an activated sludge system in wastewater treatment. (10 marks)

### **Question THREE**

- (a) Highlight the following preventive strategies in the reduction of waste volumes
  - (i) Conservation of waste water (5 marks)
  - (ii) Elimination of batch or slug discharges of process wastes. (5 marks)
- (b) Outline the primary treatment of wastewater. (8 marks)
- (c) Identify any TWO devices that can be employed to control particulate emissions. (2 marks)

### **Question FOUR**

- (a) Outline the following preventive measures for reduction of waste strength
  - (i) Segregation of wastes (6 marks)
  - (ii) By-product recovery. (6 marks)
- (b) (i) Identify TWO major pollutants in liquid emissions from a food processing plant. (2 marks)
  - (ii) Provide guidelines on the management of wastewater from the food processing plant. (6 marks)

### **Question FIVE**

- (a) Explain the following processes in the neutralisation of wastewater
- (i) Passing boiler flue gas in the neutralisation of alkaline wastewater **(8 marks)**
  - (ii) The utilisation of acid mine drainage in cleaning coal. **(6 marks)**
- (b) Provide recommendations for management of  $\text{NO}_x$  and  $\text{SO}_2$  emissions from the burning of fossil fuels in Kraft lime kilns. **(6 marks)**