

INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED SHIPBROKERS

APRIL 2011 EXAMINATIONS MONDAY 11 APRIL – AFTERNOON

DRY CARGO CHARTERING

Time allowed - Three hours

Answer any FIVE questions – All questions carry equal marks

1. Select **TWO** of the following commodities: coal, grain, timber, fertilisers.

Using the world maps provided illustrate your answer separately for each chosen commodity, describing the main trade routes as well as the hazards and characteristics of the goods.

- **2.** Explain the role of a Broker in chartering negotiations and explain the concept of 'warranty of authority'. Using examples describe potential breaches of this authority.
- 3. Cargo has been loaded onto your Owner's vessel in a damaged condition and the mate's receipts are marked accordingly. When the Charterer was advised of this, they requested clean bills of lading against a Letter of Indemnity. Draft a message to your Owner explaining the situation fully, describing your advice to him and the reasons for this advice.
- **4.** Using a vessel and dry cargo commodity of your choice, draft a timecharter offer for your Owner
 - Explain the different responsibilities for the Owner if the ship was to be voyage chartered.
- **5.** Port congestion over the last few years has been a significant problem for Owners. It means that the negotiation of demurrage and the calculation of laytime are increasingly important.
 - Draw up a laytime statement for a Panamax bulk carrier loading a coal cargo in Australia after waiting 2 days at anchor to load, having arrived within its lay-can.
 - All terms can be imaginary but you should fully explain all relevant details in the statement and use the same to calculate the demurrage.
- **6.** Your Principal is interested in investing in new ships.
 - Write a market report on the future demand for bulk carriers with your recommendations for this investment.
- 7. Sketch a profile and mid-ship section for a bulk carrier of your choice, showing all the main cargo-related features.

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Discuss the principal trade routes of your chosen vessel.

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8. You are acting for a Principal who is quite new to the market. You have the opportunity to fix a vessel on a long term timecharter agreement. Draft a message explaining the main points of the charter party, including any advice on clauses that must be included and those that might be amended.

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