



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2017/ 2018 ACADEMIC YEAR
THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF TOURISM & NATURAL RESOURCES
MANAGEMENT
BACHEOR OF SCIENCE (FORESTRY)**

COURSE CODE: FOR 312

COURSE TITLE: FORESTRY HYDROLOGY

DATE: 23RD APRIL 2018

TIME:1100 – 1300HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer **ALL** questions in Section A, and any **THREE** questions in Section B

Use illustrations where appropriate. A simple calculator required during this examination. Borrowing of any materials from other candidates is strictly not allowed.

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SECTION A (COMPULSORY)

Question One

- (a).What is the purpose of hydrology? **(2 marks)**
- (b) Explain two differences between the local hydrological cycle of a forest region the general one usually found in hydrology literature **(4 marks)**
- (d) Make a sketch of a typical total streamflow hydrograph then identify its main characteristics. **(5 marks)**
- (e)Describe two hydrological characteristics of Tropical forests **(4 marks)**
- (f) $Q = KA (h_1 - h_2)/L$
- (i) Identify the equation above and explain each of the terms **(6 marks)**
- (ii)Describe an experiment that one would do to demonstrate the validity of the relationship summarized in the equation. **(4 marks)**
- [Total 25 marks]**

SECTION B (ANSWER ONLY THREE QUESTIONS)

Q2

- (a)With the aid of sketches describe any two stream gauging methods. **(5 marks)**
- (b)Explain the hazards associated with each of the methods in (2a) that a hydrologist should be aware off while planning a stream gauging fieldwork operation. **(10 marks)**
- Q3 Discuss the importance of water to human being showing clearly why we should respect our water resources. **[15 marks]**
- Q4 Using illustrations, describe the advantages and disadvantages of using the arithmetic method to estimate annual aerial precipitation over a catchment. **(15 marks)**

Q5 Write short notes on any FIVE of the following;

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| i. Water quality (3 marks) | v. Soil erosion equation (3mks) |
| ii. Water hyacinth (3 marks) | vi. Piezometric surface (3 mks) |
| iii. Duputs’s formular (3 mks) | vii. Rating equation (3 marks) |
| iv. Evaporimeters (3 marks) | viii. Fog-water harvesting (3 mks) |

Q6 Discuss the problems in groundwater development found in rapidly developing tropical regions. **(15 marks)**

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