

# EAST AFRICAN SCHOOL OF AVIATION EXAMINATION

# **FINAL EXAM**

## IATA/SAFETY SECTION

# **SUBJECT: AIRCRAFT GENERAL KNOWLEDGE**

Stream: Flight Dispatch No.21 Duration: 2 Hrs

DATE: 15/09/2016 TIME: 2.00 – 4.00 PM

## **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATE:**

- 1. This paper consists of **TEN (10)** Printed pages.
- 2. This paper consists of **TWO SECTIONS**
- 3. Answer the questions as per the instructions given
- 4. Examination rules and regulations shall apply

#### PART A

1. Draw and label regions of a tire

(10 mks)

2. Explain the operation of turn buckles in the wake of cable extension

(5 mks)

#### PART B-

- 1. Regarding a safe life structure:
  - 1. Will only fail after a known number of operations or hours of use
  - 2. Should not fail until a predicted number of fatigue cycles has been achieved
  - 3. Has a programmed inspection cycle to detect and rectify faults
  - 4. Is changed before its predicted life is reached
    - 1 and 2 apply
    - A and 3 apply
    - 2, 3 and 4 apply
    - All of the above apply
- 2. A fail safe structure:
  - A. Has a programmed inspection cycle to detect and rectify faults
  - B. Is changed before its predicted life is reached
  - C. Has redundant strength which will tolerate a certain amount of structural damage
  - D. Is secondary structure of no structural significance
- 3. The skin of a modern pressurized aircraft:
  - A. Is made up of light alloy steel sheets built on the monocoque principle
  - B. Houses the crew and the payload
  - C. Provides aerodynamic lift and prevent corrosion by keeping out adverse weather
  - D. Is primary load bearing structure carrying much of the structural loads
- 4. The primary purpose of the fuselage is to:
  - A. Support the wings
  - B. House the crew and payload
  - C. Keep out adverse weather
  - D. Provide access to the cockpit
- 5. Station numbers (Stn) and water lines (WL) are:
  - A. A means of locating airframe structure and components
  - B. Passenger seat locations
  - C. Runway markings for guilding the aircraft to the terminal
  - D. Compass alignment markings

- 6. Flight deck windows are constructed from:
  - A. An amalgam of strengthened glass and vinyl with rubber pressure seals
  - B. Strengthened glass with shock absorbing clear vinyl interlayers and rubber pressure seals
  - C. Strengthened clear vinyl with an electrical conduction coat for de-icing and rubber pressure seals
  - D. Strengthened glass with rubber seals

## 7. A cantilever wing:

- A. Is externally braced with either struts and/or bracing wires
- B. Is supported at one end only with no external bracing
- C. Has both an upper and lower airfoil section
- D. Folds at the root section to ease storage in confined spaces

## 8. A lightening hole in a rib:

- A. Prevents lightning strikes damaging the fuselage
- B. Provides a means of passing cables and controls through a pressure bulkhead
- C. Collects and disposes of electrical charges
- D. Lightens and stiffens the structure

## 9. Control surface flutter:

- A. Provides additional lift for takeoff and landing in the event of engine failure
- B. Occurs at high angles of attack
- C. Is a destructive vibration that must be damped out within the flight envelop
- D. Is a means of predicting the critical safe lift of the wing

## 10. Controls surface flutter is minimized by:

- A. Reducing the moment of the critical engine
- B. Aerodynamic balance of the control cables
- C. Changing the wings before they reach their critical life
- D. Mass balance of the control surface

## 11. A damage tolerant structure:

- A. Has degree of structural strength redundancy spread over a large area
- B. Is light non load bearing structure, damage to which will not adversely affect the aircraft
- C. Is replaced when it reaches its predicted life
- D. Need not be repaired until the aircraft undergoes deep maintenance

- 12. Aircraft structure consists mainly of:
  - A. Light alloy steel sheets with copper rivets and titanium or steel materials at points requiring high strength
  - B. Magnesium alloy sheets with aluminium rivets and titanium or steel at points requiring high strength
  - C. Aluminium alloy sheets and rivets with titanium or steel materials at points requiring high strength
  - D. Aluminium sheets and rivets with titanium or steel materials at points requiring high strength.
- 13. A force of 100N is applied to 2 separate jacks the area of one is 0.02m³ and the other is 0.04m².
  - A. The smaller jack will exert a pressure of 2,000Pa and the larger 4,000 Pa
  - B. The smaller jack will exert a pressure of 5,000Pa and the larger 4,000Pa
  - C. Both jacks will move at the same speed
  - D. Both have the same load

#### 14. A shuttle valve:

- A. Is used to replace NRV's
- B. Allows two supply sources to operate one unit
- C. Allows one source to operate two units
- D. Acts as a non-return valve
- 15. Def. Stan 91/48 is ...... and is ...... and is ......
  - A. Red, mineral
  - B. Red, synthetic
  - C. Green, mineral
  - D. Purple, synthetic

## 16. A restrictor valve:

- A. Is used to restrict the number of services available after loss of systems pressure
- B. Controls the rate of movement of a service
- C. Controls the rate of buildup of pressure in the system
- D. Controls the distance a jack moves
- 17. The hydraulic fluid is changes but the wrong fluid is replaced. This would lead to:
  - A. High operating fluid temperature
  - B. System failure from leaks and blocked filters, high temp and possible corrosion
  - C. A rise in the reservoir fill level
  - D. Normal operation, it does not matter which fluid is used

#### 18. A relief valve:

- A. Relieves below system pressure
- B. Maintains pressure to a priority circuit
- C. Relieves at its designed pressure
- D. Prevents excessive pressure through increased fluid temperature
- 19. The primary purpose of a hydraulic reservoir is:
  - A. To compensate for leaks, displacement and expansion
  - B. To allow a space into which spare fluid may be stored
  - C. To indicate system contents
  - D. To maintain fluid between a jack and the accumulator

#### 20. Pascal's law states that:

- A. Pressure is inversely proportional to load
- B. Liquid is compressible
- C. C. Oxygen can be used to charge the accumulator
- D. Applied force acts equally in all directions
- 21. A high pressure hydraulic pump:
  - A. Needs a positive fluid supply
  - B. Does not need a positive fluid supply
  - C. Outlet pressure is governed by centrifugal force
  - D. Does not need a cooling fluid flow
- 22. The purpose of an accumulator is to:
  - A. Relieve excess pressure
  - B. Store fluid under pressure
  - C. Store compressed gas for tyre inflation
  - D. Remove air from the system.
- 23. With one way check valve (NRV)
  - A. Flow stops when input pressure is greater than output
  - B. Flow starts when the thermal relief valve off loads the hand pump
  - C. Flow stops when input pressure is less than output pressure
  - D. Flow stops when input pressure is less than output pressure
- 24. Hydraulic pressure of 3,000 Pa is applied to an actuator, the piston areas of which is 0.02m<sup>2</sup> and the same pressure is exerted on actuator whose area is 0.04m<sup>2</sup>.
  - A. Both have the same force
  - B. Both jacks will move at the same speed
  - C. The smaller jack will exert a force of 600N and the larger 1,200N
  - D. The smaller jack will exert a force of 60N and the larger 120N

- 25. In an operating hydraulic actuator the pressure of the fluid will be:
  - A. Greatest near the actuator due to the load imposed on the jack
  - B. Greatest at the opposite end to the actuator due to the load imposed on the actuator.
  - C. High initially falling as the actuator completes its trave
  - D. The same at all points

#### 26. A pressure maintaining or priority valve:

- A. Enables ground operation of services when the engines are off
- B. Is used to ensure available pressure is directed to essential services.
- C. Is used to control pressure to services requiring less than systems pressure
- D. Is used to increase pressure in the system.

## 27. In an enclosed system pressure is left

- A. More at the piston head than the rest of the cylinder
- B. More at the cylinder end than the piston head
- C. More when the piston is moving than when it is stationery
- D. The same at both ends between the piston and the cylinder head

## 28. A non-return valve:

- A. Can only be fitted if provided with a bypass selector
- B. Closes if inlet pressure
- C. Opens if inlet pressure equals outlet pressure
- D. Closes if inlet pressure ceases

## 29. The specification of hydraulic fluids, mineral, vegetables or ester based is:

- A. Always distinguishable by taste and smell
- B. Generally distinguished by colour
- C. Generally distinguishable by colour only if they are from the same manufacturer.
- D. Cannot be distinguished by colour alone

## 30. The purpose of a reservoir is to:

- A. Allow the parking brake to remain on overnight if required
- B. Allow a reduced pressure to the wheel brake system to prevent the wheels locking
- C. Prevent over pressurizing the reservoir as altitude increases
- D. Prevent total loss of system fluid if the brake pipeline is ruptured

## 31. A shuttle valve will allow:

- A. The accumulator to be emptied after engine shutdown
- B. The pressure pump to off-load when the system pressure is reached
- C. Two independent pressure sources to operate a system/component
- D. High pressure fluid to return to the reservoir if the Full Flow Relief Valve fails

- 32. The purpose of a reservoir is to:
  - A. Compensate for temperature
  - B. Compensates for small leaks, expansions and jack displacement
  - C. Compensates for fluid loss
  - D. To minimize pump cavitation
- 33. When the hydraulic system pressure is released:
  - A. Reservoir air pressure will increase
  - B. Reservoir fluid contents will rise if reservoir is lower than the other components in the system
  - C. Reservoir fluid contents will fall if reservoir is the highest point in the system
  - D. Reservoir contents are dumped over board
- 34. Hydraulic pressure in a closed system:
  - A. Is greater in pipes of larger diameters
  - B. Is greater in pipes of smaller diameters
  - C. Does not vary with pipe diameter
  - D. Varies in direct proportion to the system demand
- 35. Skydrol hydraulic fluid can be used replenish:
  - A. Any hydraulic system without restriction
  - B. Hydraulic systems that have butyl rubber seals only
  - C. Any hydraulic system in an emergency
  - D. Hydraulic systems that have neoprene seals only
- 36. Hydraulic Thermal Relief Valves are fitted:
  - A. To release all the pressure back to return in an overheat situation
  - B. To release half the pressure back to return in an overheat situation
  - C. To relieve excess pressure back to the actuator in an overheat situation
  - D. In isolated lines only to relieve excess pressure caused by temperature rises
- 37. A main system hydraulic pump:
  - A. Does no need a positive fluid supply if printed before startup
  - B. Does need a positive fluid supply in order to prevent cavitation
  - C. Does not need a positive fluid supply in order to prevent cavitation
  - D. Can be run dry without causing any damage
- 38. Different diameter actuators supplied with the same pressure at the same time
  - A. Exert the same force
  - B. Will lift equal loads
  - C. Will move at the same speed
  - D. Exert different forces

- 39. Which of the following applies?
  - A. All the statements are correct
  - B. None of the statements are correct
  - C. Statements 1,2,3,4,5,8 and 9 are correct
  - D. Statements 1,2,3,6,7 and 9 are correct
- 40. The seal materials used with hydraulic fluids to DEF/STAN 91-48 and SKYDROL 700 specification are respectively:
  - A. Natural rubber and neoprene
  - B. Neoprene and natural rubber
  - C. Butyl and neoprene
  - D. Neoprene and butyl
- 41. To prevent cavitation of the pump a hydraulic reservoir may be:
  - A. Pressurized
  - B. Bootstrapped
  - C. Above the pump
  - D. All of the above
- 42. A hand pump is usually fitted:
  - A. For ground servicing purposes
  - B. Lowering the landing gear in an emergency
  - C. Pressurizing the oleo struts in the air
  - D. Retracting the gear after take-off
- 43. Oil is used in an oleo strut to:
  - A. Support the weight of the aircraft
  - B. Limit the speed of compression of the stut
  - C. Lubricate the piston within the cylinder
  - D. Limit the speed of extension and compression of the strut
- 44. The nose wheel assembly must be centered before retraction because:
  - A. There is limited space in the nose wheel bay
  - B. The aircraft may swerve on the next landing if the nose wheel is not straight
  - C. The tyres may be damaged on landing if the nose wheel is not straight
  - D. It will remove any slush or debris which may have accumulated on take -off
- 45. The movement of the of the hear on lowering is normally damped to:
  - A. Prevent the fluid becoming aerated
  - B. Counteract the force of gravity which would bring the gear down too fast
  - C. Make the lowering time greater than the raising time.
  - D. Prevent the hydraulic fluid becoming overheated.

- 46. Inadvertent retraction of the landing gear on the ground is:
  - A. Not possible because the system is not powerful enough.
  - B. Prevented by the ground/ air logic system
  - C. Always a danger after the ground locks have been removed
  - D. Creep (Slippage):
- 47. Creep (Slippage):
  - A. Is not a problem with tubeless tyres
  - B. Refers to the movement of the aircraft against the brakes
  - C. Can rip out the inflation valve on tubed tyres and deflate the tyre
  - D. Can be prevented by painting lines on the wheel and tyre
- 48. Tyre wear when taxying can be reduced:
  - A. Restricting the use of breaks and using thrust reversers
  - B. Taxying at less than 40 KPH
  - C. Staying on the smoothest parts of the taxiway.
  - D. Taxying at less than 25 knots.
- 49. To prevent scrubbing the tyres while taxying, you should:
  - A. Use tyre with fusible plugs
  - B. Make sharp turns only if you have high speed fitted
  - C. Turn no sharper than the minimum specified radius.
  - D. Deflate the tyres to minimum pressure
- 50. The best extinguishant to use on a wheel or brake fire is:
  - A. CO2
  - B. Dry powder
  - C. Freon
  - D. WATER
- 51. The most likely cause of brake fade is:
  - A. Oil or grease on the brake drums
  - B. Worn stators
  - C. The pilot reducing the brake pressure
  - D. The brake pads overheating
- 52. The pressure needed to operate the wheel brakes on a large aircraft comes from:
  - A. The aircraft main hydraulic system
  - B. The pilot brake pedals
  - C. A self-contained power pack
  - D. The hydraulic reservoir

- 53. The formula which gives the minimum speed (Vp) at which aquaplaning may occur is:
  - A. Vp=9x VP where P is Kg/cm2 and Vp is in knots
  - B. Vp=9x VP where P is psi and Vp is in mph
  - C. Vp=9x VP where P is psi and Vp is in knots
  - D. Vp=34x VP where P is Kg/cm<sup>2</sup> and Vp is in mph

#### 54. A torsion box:

- A. Is a structure within the fuselage to withstand compression, bending and twisting loads
- B. Is a structure formed between the wing spars, skin and ribs to resist bending and twisting loads
- C. Is a structure within the wing for housing the fuel tanks, flight controls and landing gear
- D. Is a structure designed to reduce the weight
- 55. The maximum Zero Fuel Mass (MZFM) of an aircraft is:
  - A. The maximum permissible take off mass of the aircraft
  - B. The maximum permissible mass of an aircraft with no useable fuel
  - C. The maximum permissible mass of an aircraft with zero payload
  - D. The maximum permissible landing mass