

**EXAMINATION FOR PROMOTION TO THE RANK OF
PREVENTIVE OFFICER**

10th January, 1957

FIRST PAPER - Time allowed $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours. 10 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

*In answering questions you are in all cases to assume
that you are a Preventive Officer.*

SECTION A

*Not more than THREE questions are to be taken. Each question carries an
equal number of marks*

1. An Iraqi medical student arrives at your port as a passenger from Baghdad via Bombay. He declares and produces:-

- 1,000 (No.) (Weight $2\frac{1}{2}$ lb.) cigarettes (B.M.);
- 100 (No.) (Weight $1\frac{3}{4}$ lb.) Burmese cheroots in an intact package;
- 1 leather brief case (new), value £5;
- 1 Indian carpet (new), value £30;
- 1 Leica camera (new), value £50;
- 1 stethoscope (new), value £15;
- 1 silver bowl (new), value £30.

He states that he is to study medicine at a London hospital and expects to remain in the United Kingdom for a year. Five hundred of the cigarettes are for his brother who is an Iraqi Army officer and is undergoing a course of instruction with a British Army unit under a N.A.T.O. agreement. The cheroots are intended as a gift for an English friend. The passenger is carrying the brief case and he tells you that he has brought the carpet for use in his lodging in London. He states that the stethoscope and the camera are for use in connection with his work and that he intends to take all his effects (excepting the cigarettes and cheroots, and possibly the carpet) out of the country when he returns to Iraq.

He explains that the silver bowl is not his property and that it is a goodwill presentation from a hospital in Baghdad to a hospital in London. The bowl bears an inscription to this effect. You are satisfied with the passenger's statements.

Describe *fully* how you would deal with this importation. The amount of Revenue which may be required need not be calculated.

2. Whilst patrolling your station with your Assistant Preventive Officer you intercept the Chief Engineer of a local tug. Search of his effects reveals 10 lb. Cavendish tobacco which he admits that he obtained from the Panamanian ship s.s. "Wraxall" during the previous night. The Chief Engineer further explains that his tug had been called to tow the ship from a sandbank outside the harbour and that he had managed to get aboard and had "found" the tobacco. Subsequently you learn that the Master of the "Wraxall" (which has come into port for repair) has complained that 15 lb. of tobacco has been stolen from his storeroom and has intimated that he will take legal proceedings against the culprit.

In the form of a report to your Chief Preventive Officer (who will not be available until the following day) describe *in full* the action which you found it necessary to take.

3. The following goods are produced to you for shipment as stores:-

(1) *ex warehouse at another place:*

- 3 cases of tobacco, taped and sealed
- 5 cases B. C. Spirits

(2) *ex local warehouse*

- 1 cask rum

~~(3)~~ on drawback:

7 cwt. British refined granulated sugar, polarisation ex. 98°
3 drums, each 40 gallons, H. C. (lubricating) Oil

You have also received a shipping bill for 120 tons of fuel oil which has been shipped ex bond in bulk.

Describe *fully* your action in connection with these transactions, the documents required and the records made.

4. The British ship s.s. "Beaverbrook" @ Quebec, with Manitoba wheat in grain, has completed discharge of the cargo on your station. This vessel arrived two days previously at 8 p.m. and discharge of the cargo commenced immediately on ~~arrival and prior to report.~~ She has worked continuously.

You have obtained a certificate of outturn which shows the quantity of cargo landed to be 7,997 tons, value £236,000. 8,150 tons were reported and entered with a value of £252,650.

Describe in detail how you would deal with this cargo from the time of the ship's arrival, documents required, and how you would complete the file before sending it to the Jerquer. Your report need not include details of first boarding.

5. You are on duty with an Assistant Preventive Officer at a Naval Dockyard. Your Assistant Preventive Officer intercepts a local laundry van at the Dockyard exit. He discovers 1,000 cigarettes (marked "H.M. Ships only") in a constructed cavity beneath the floor of the vehicle. The driver and the laundry van boy (aged 16 years) admit ownership and state that they had obtained the cigarettes from an Officers' Steward on H.M.S. "Cerne" which has recently arrived from foreign. They also tell you that cigarettes are regularly carried from the Dockyard and are for distribution at the laundry.

Assuming that the Chief Preventive Officer is not available, describe in detail your action.

SECTION B

Not more than FIFTEEN questions are to be taken. Each question carries an equal number of marks

~~6.~~ State briefly the objects of the inspection by a Preventive Officer of the Cargo Book of a ship in the coasting trade.

~~7.~~ What do you understand by the term "excepted port" in the Health Regulations?

~~8.~~ In what circumstances would you detain an aircraft under the Health Regulations?

~~9.~~ What action would you take if the quantity of stores shown on the Ship's Report differs from the quantity in the first boarding account?

~~10.~~ Under what conditions can high duty ships' surplus stores be left on board a vessel which is making a coastwise voyage?

~~11.~~ What goods are exempt from report?

~~12.~~ What action would you take on boarding a vessel from foreign if it were not possible to obtain a declaration on List C.142?

~~13.~~ What are the factors which govern issues of dutiable stores for use in British waters?

~~14.~~ What purposes are served by the Inward Clearing Bill?

~~15.~~ What is a "Travelling Copy" of the Report?

~~16.~~ What action would you take if on rummaging a coastwise vessel you find a dog which has been recently transferred from a foreign-going ship?

17. Under what conditions may touring private craft be admitted for a temporary stay in the United Kingdom?

18. What measures would you take to exercise revenue control of tobacco and spirits produced on a British fishing vessel, the crew of which are victualled on board?

19. A British yacht, 15 tons burden, arrives from a French port. The owner declares one gallon of brandy as yacht's surplus stores. What action would you take?

20. With reference to the Deck Cargo Regulations, what do you understand by "Space occupied"?

21. What do you understand by "Goods in Bulk"?

22. How would you deal with an automatic pistol declared by the carpenter of a merchant vessel on arrival from a foreign port?

23. What do you understand by the term "Indian Hemp"? Under what conditions can it be legally imported?

24. State *briefly* the action you would take to deal with drawback goods which have been landed from an outward bound aircraft which has made an unauthorised landing?

25. What amount of sterling bank notes can be imported by passengers? In what circumstances can this amount be exceeded?

26. State *briefly* what action you would take in the case of an attempt to smuggle two bottles of French brandy by the pilot of a Royal Air Force aircraft at an R.A.F. Station.

27. What conditions must be fulfilled to satisfy you that goods imported in passengers' baggage can be admitted to Preferential rates of duty?

28. What is the action to be taken in the case of an importation of uncooked meat in passengers' baggage:-

- (a) on arrival from New York;
- (b) on arrival from Dieppe?

29. How would you deal with a British returned motor-cycle declared by a seaman on List C.142?

30. A member of a ship's band of a passenger vessel from the United States declares a trombone on List C.142. He states that it is in use. How would you deal with this instrument.

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SECOND PAPER - Time allowed 2 hours. 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

*In answering questions you are in all cases to assume
that you are a Preventive Officer.*

1. Write a report to your superior officer on ONE only of the following subjects (a) or (b):-

(a) You are the Preventive Officer in charge of the rummage crew and you receive a circular which gives information that the crew of m.v. "Holland" @ Antwerp are suspected of illicit traffic in foreign watches manufactured by the Longine Company. On the day before you had conducted the first rummage of this vessel. Mr. A., Assistant Preventive Officer, one of your crew, reports that he had seen one "Longine" watch in possession of the cook but, on being satisfied, had passed it as "in use".

You return to the vessel and find that the watch is no longer in possession of the cook who subsequently admits that he had sold it to the foreman stevedore ashore. The foreman stevedore is identified and is questioned. He states that he has hidden it in his office on the wharf. You direct a search of the office but there is no sign of the watch. One of your Assistants, however, finds in a locked drawer a package containing 24 mechanical lighters of foreign manufacture. The stevedore states that this package had been handed to him by the Chief Officer of m.v. "Holland" and he had no knowledge of the contents.

The ship is due to sail on the following day and the Chief Preventive Officer will not be available until the morning.

Describe your action *in full*.

(b) You are on boarding duty with your Assistant Preventive Officer on 8 a.m./4 p.m. watch at port 'A'. At 9 a.m. you visit m.v. "Svensk", Swedish, @ Gothenburg which has been discharging timber on your station during the previous ten days. The Master informs you that he is sailing on the tide at noon with part cargo for a second port 'B'. He asks for an issue of tobacco and spirits for the use of the crew.

Cargo which remains in the shelter deck has not been accessible for measurement at port 'A'.

Two members of the crew, the Second Officer and a seaman, are leaving the ship immediately to return to Sweden on leave. They intend to travel by means of a passenger service via port 'C'. The Second Officer wishes to take with him 3 lb. tobacco, 1,000 cigarettes and his revolver. The seaman similarly requests to be allowed to take 1,000 cigarettes and his camera. These goods had been placed under seal as private stores on the arrival of s.s. "Svensk" at port 'A'.

At 11.30 a.m. you are handed a transshipment bill for engine parts which have arrived from Gothenburg via London Airport. The Chief Engineer informs you that it is necessary to fit the parts at once but that he cannot complete the work before the ship leaves at noon.

Describe *fully* in proper sequence the various duties necessary, the documents required and the records to be made.

2. The s.s. "Evershot", British, arrives from Halifax, Nova Scotia, with the following cargo on the open deck:-

	<u>Mean length</u>	<u>Mean breadth</u>	<u>Mean height</u>
Section 1	75.3 ft.	34.5 ft.	6.5 ft.
Section 2	52.7 ft.	35.4 ft.	5.6 ft.
Section 3	47.5 ft.	33.6 ft.	5.5 ft.
Section 4	37.4 ft.	32.8 ft.	4.7 ft.

Three hatches under the deck cargo each measure 35 ft. x 18 ft. x 3.6 ft.

~~The Chief Engineer certifies that in the double bottom ballast tanks there is fuel oil, the dead-weight quantities of which are:-~~

Tank 1 - 210 tons Specific Gravity .91
Tank 2 - 125 tons Specific Gravity not given.

Calculate the total deck cargo tonnage.

3. Calculate the penalty which would be sued for in the event of seizure of the following goods:-

8 bottles of South African brandy, each .165 liq. gall. @ 27 u.p.;
3 lb. Rhodesian tobacco;
40/100th gallon toilet water;
1 gold wrist watch value £25;
1 doz. Madeira linen table cloths value £18;
1 silver tankard with a musical base, value £10.

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