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General information about practical exams

Centres must follow the guidance on science practical exams given in the Cambridge Handbook.

Safety

Supervisors must follow national and local regulations relating to safety and first aid.

Only those procedures described in the question paper should be attempted.

Supervisors must inform candidates that materials and apparatus used in the exam should be treated with caution. Suitable eye protection should be used where necessary.

The following hazard codes are used in these confidential instructions, where relevant:

C corrosive
 HH health hazard
 F flammable
 MH moderate hazard
 T acutely toxic
 O oxidising

N hazardous to the aquatic environment

Hazard data sheets relating to substances used in this exam should be available from your chemical supplier.

Before the exam

- The packets containing the question papers must **not** be opened before the exam.
- It is assumed that standard school laboratory facilities, as indicated in the *Guide to Planning Practical Science*, will be available.
- Spare materials and apparatus for the tasks set must be available for candidates, if required.

During the exam

- It must be made clear to candidates at the start of the exam that they may request spare materials and apparatus for the tasks set.
- Where specified, the supervisor must perform the experiments and record the results as instructed.
 This must be done out of sight of the candidates, using the same materials and apparatus as the candidates.
- Any assistance provided to candidates must be recorded in the supervisor's report.
- If any materials or apparatus need to be replaced, for example, in the event of breakage or loss, this must be recorded in the supervisor's report.

After the exam

- The supervisor must complete a report for each practical session held and each laboratory used.
- Each packet of scripts returned to Cambridge International must contain the following items:
 - the scripts of the candidates specified on the bar code label provided
 - the supervisor's results relevant to these candidates
 - the supervisor's reports relevant to these candidates
 - seating plans for each practical session, referring to each candidate by candidate number
 - the attendance register.

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Specific information for this practical exam

During the exam, the supervisor (NOT the invigilator) must do the experiments in Questions 1 and 2 and record the results on a spare copy of the question paper, clearly labelled 'supervisor's results'.

Materials and apparatus for Question 1

Each candidate will require the following materials and apparatus. Labels do **not** need to include concentrations.

- [C][N] 100 cm³ of copper(II) sulfate, CuSO₄, of concentration 0.5 mol/dm³ labelled aqueous copper(II) sulfate
 - **[F]** 5g of magnesium powder in a dry stoppered tube labelled **magnesium powder**
- [F][N] 5g of zinc powder in a dry stoppered tube labelled zinc powder
 - 5g of zinc granules labelled zinc granules

The magnesium powder, zinc powder and zinc granules should be newly purchased.

The zinc granules should be small.

- access to water and distilled water
- 25 cm³ measuring cylinder
- 250 cm³ beaker
- polystyrene cup (a cardboard cup may be used as an alternative)
- stop-clock or timer which can measure to an accuracy of 1s
- thermometer, -10 °C to +110 °C at 1 °C graduations

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During the exam, the supervisor (NOT the invigilator) must do the experiments in Questions 1 and 2 and record the results on a spare copy of the question paper, clearly labelled 'supervisor's results'.

Materials and apparatus for Question 2

Each candidate will require the following materials and apparatus. Labels do **not** need to include concentrations.

- 1.0 g of aluminium potassium sulfate-12-water (potassium alum), AlK(SO₄)₂•12H₂O, in a stoppered tube labelled solid M
- [HH][N] blue cobalt(II) chloride paper
 - aqueous barium nitrate of sufficient concentration to give a positive sulfate test
 - **[C]** aqueous nitric acid of concentration 1.0 mol/dm³
 - **[C]** aqueous sodium hydroxide of concentration 1.0 mol/dm³
- [MH][N] aqueous ammonia of concentration 1.0 mol/dm³
 - distilled water
 - 10 cm³ measuring cylinder
 - splints
 - Bunsen burner and means to light it
 - rack of test-tubes
 - hard-glass test-tube
 - boiling tube
 - stopper to fit boiling tube
 - test-tube holder
 - teat pipettes
 - spatula

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Supervisor's report

Syllabus and component number			/		
Centre number					
Centre name	 	 		 	
Time of the practical session	 	 		 	
Laboratory name/number	 	 		 	

Give details of any difficulties experienced by the centre or by candidates (include the relevant candidate names and candidate numbers).

You must include:

- any difficulties experienced by the centre in the preparation of materials
- any difficulties experienced by candidates, e.g. due to faulty materials or apparatus
- any specific assistance given to candidates.

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De	eclaration
1	Each packet that I am returning to Cambridge International contains the following items:
	 the scripts of the candidates specified on the bar code label provided the supervisor's results relevant to these candidates the supervisor's reports relevant to these candidates seating plans for each practical session, referring to each candidate by candidate number the attendance register
2	Where the practical exam has taken place in more than one practical session, I have clearly labelled the supervisor's results, supervisor's reports and seating plans with the time and laboratory name/number for each practical session.
3	I have included details of difficulties relating to each practical session experienced by the centre or

Name (in block capitals)

Signed (supervisor)

I have reported any other adverse circumstances affecting candidates, e.g. illness, bereavement or

temporary injury, directly to Cambridge International on a special consideration form.

by candidates.