

MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF NATURAL RESOURCE, TOURISM & HOSPITALITY DIPLOMA IN TOURISM AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT.

COURSE CODE: NDTW 130 COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO TOUR OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

DATE: 2ND DECEMBER, 2022

TIME: 1100:1300

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer all Questions in Section A and any other TWO questions in Section B *This paper consists of FOUR printed pages. Please turn over.*

SECTION A

1. Define the following terms as used in the field of tourism citing relevant examples (10mrks)

- a) Excursion
- b) Tourist carrying capacity
- c) Mass tourism
- d) Itinerary
- e) Tour package

2. Differentiate between the following (5marks)

- I. Tour operator verses tour agent
- II. Scheduled flight and chartered flight

3. Highlight the factors that motivate people to travel **(5 marks)**

4. Describe the roles and functions of tour operators **(5marks)**

5. What are the advantages of car rentals in facilitation to travel development in the tourism industry? (5 marks)

SECTION B

5. Explore and discuss the most common challenges facing circuit tourism initiatives in Kenya. (20 marks)

6. Evaluate the different elements of costing a tour that one needs to consider when planning a tour package. (20 marks)

7. a. Discuss the principles and ethics of tour guiding.	(12 marks)
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b. Name the qualities of a professional tour guide. (8 marks)

8. Assume that you are a director of a tour company and you receive a letter of complaint from a loyal customer concerning mistreatments during their family visit. What are the professional steps that you can use to solve the problem as well as ensure the customer satisfaction? (20marks)

(All the best)

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