



# MANICALAND STATE UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

## FACULTY OF AGRIBUSINESS

DEPARTMENT: TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT

MODULE: ROOMS DIVISION MANAGEMENT

CODE: THMA123

SESSIONAL EXAMINATIONS  
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DURATION: 3 HOURS

EXAMINER: MR W MADHOMBIRO

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### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer any **four** questions **only**.
2. Each question carries 25 marks
3. Start a new question on a fresh page
4. Total marks 100

### QUESTION 1

- a) Define a skipper in the hotel industry [5marks]
- b) Discuss strategies that a front office manager should employ to minimize Skippers [20marks]

### QUESTION 2

- a) State and explain the main sources of reservations for hotels [15marks]
- b) Outline the typical reservation process of an automated lodging property [10marks]

### QUESTION 3

- a) Explain five types of room rates offered by a five star hotel [15marks]
- b) Evaluate and validate the assertion that profit making is a fallacy in as far as management of the hotels is concerned. [10marks]

### QUESTION 4

- a) One of the key result areas of a front office manager is to minimize **Poster master** account. Discuss [10marks]
- b) What is the procedure of rejecting a guaranteed booking [15 marks]

### QUESTION 5

- a) Explain the following front office terms, in each case cite relevant examples:
  - i) 6'oclock release
  - ii) Lock out
  - iii) Late check out
  - iv) Out of order
  - v) No show [10marks]
- b) What is the procedure for cleaning the following rooms
  - i) Departure room
  - ii) Vacant room [10marks]
- c) Outline any five (5) objectives of a discrepancy report [5marks]

### QUESTION 6

- a) Analyze the information shared between the front office manager and the Housekeeper [15marks]
- b) Explain five (5) reports generated by the front office department [10marks]

**END OF EXAMINATION**