



Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit  
State Examinations Commission

**LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2020**

**ENGINEERING – TECHNOLOGY PROJECT: DESIGN**

**Higher Level – 150 marks**

**PROJECT MUST BE COMPLETED BY FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2020**

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

#### **General directions to candidates**

1. The project you design, make and submit for examination must be unique and be **your own individual work**, carried out in the school under the supervision of the teacher.

**Your own individual work** is intended to include the intellectual activity of design along with the practical activities of making the model and compiling a folio.

Proof of **your own individual work** must be obvious from both the model and folio presented for examination otherwise marks will be lost.

**Note:** Where computer aided manufacture (CAM) is used, supporting CAD files/drawings must accompany the design folio to authenticate **your own individual work**.

2. A detailed Marking Scheme is included on this paper. Your teacher will help you to familiarise yourself with the Marking Scheme.
3. Read the Design Brief carefully commencing with the **Introduction**. Plan and present your individual solution as outlined in the instructions given under the headings **Design Process** and **Design Realisation**.
4. Your completed project consisting of a model and design folio, **both clearly identified with your examination number**, must be available to the visiting examiner.

# Design Brief

## 1. Introduction

Remote Control Vehicles are deployed in many environments to search, locate, identify and retrieve. Rescue robots in development are being made with abilities such as reconnaissance and mapping, removing or shoring up of rubble, delivery of supplies, medical treatment and evacuation of casualties. As an emerging technology robotics is a branch of engineering that involves the conception, design, manufacture and operation of robots. Tele-robotics is a domain of robotics concerned with the control of semi-autonomous robots and remote control vehicles from a distance. This domain often uses tethered connections and incorporates engineering, electronics, nanotechnology and mechatronics.

Design a model *Remote Control Vehicle* to the general specifications below. The *Remote Control Vehicle* should be your own unique design and should:

- (a) Incorporate a drive-train using caterpillar track technology to ride over rough terrain;
- (b) Have an arm, which can traverse the working area to locate, raise and lower an object;
- (c) Include an operator's control and switching panel which may be tethered to the vehicle.

Presentation of the completed project should ensure that:

- (a) All main operating features are **clearly visible without dismantling**;
- (b) The longest dimension *of the vehicle* does not exceed **400 mm**;
- (c) Electric power does not exceed **9 volts**.

**Special Note: Modified toys or recycled projects are not acceptable.**

## 2. Design Process (40 marks)

A design folio must be compiled which will detail your:

- (a) **Analysis of the given brief and investigation of possible solutions;**

**Note:** When using research sources, including the internet, the sources **must be acknowledged**. Research material directly copied from the internet or from other sources and presented as your own work will not receive any marks.

- (b) **Criteria for selection of your own individual solution:**
- (c) **Production drawings/plans;**

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- (d) **Testing and evaluation** of your design solution;
- (e) Special instructions, if required, regarding the testing of the solution by the examiner.

**Note:** Marks are awarded as shown in Marking Scheme (Page 4 of 4).  
**Computer-aided design (CAD) should be used where possible.**

### 3. Design Realisation (110 marks)

Using appropriate materials and processes, make the model according to your own individual design plans. Computer aided manufacture (CAM) technology should be used, where appropriate, to enhance manufacture.

You are expected to demonstrate a range of appropriate skills to manufacture and assemble all the parts, subject to the following guidelines:

- (a) Standard components may be used to support the assembly and interconnection of various parts;
- (b) Unnecessary recycling will result in lost marks. Recycling will be acceptable **only** in cases where a complex **part** cannot readily be made in the school;
- (c) **Bought-in electronic solutions will result in lost marks;**
- (d) Adhesives, if used, should be applied sparingly.

**Note: Marks are awarded as shown in Marking Scheme (Page 4 of 4).**

### 4. Project Presentation

Your completed project consisting of the model and design folio, **both clearly identified with your examination number**, must be available to the visiting examiner.

**Marks are awarded for quality of presentation and finished appearance of both the model and folio.**

## MARKING SCHEME

<b>HIGHER LEVEL</b>	
<b>MARKING CRITERIA - FOLIO</b>	
Analysis of brief	5 marks
Investigation of solutions	10 marks
Criteria for selection of solution	5 marks
Production drawings/plans	10 marks
Testing and evaluation	5 marks
Presentation of folio	5 marks
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40 marks</b>

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<b>HIGHER LEVEL</b>	
<b>MARKING CRITERIA - MODEL</b>	
Model satisfies brief	5 marks
Constraints observed	5 marks
Mock-up/Inventiveness	10 marks
Function (does it work?)	10 marks
Choice of materials	10 marks
Choice of processes	10 marks
Suitability of assembly techniques	10 marks
Suitability of parts and functions	10 marks
Application of skills	10 marks
Safety considerations	10 marks
Quality of work	10 marks
Presentation of model	10 marks
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>110 marks</b>