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PART IV FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2011
STANDARD FORMS OF CONTRACT FOR BUILDING AND CIVIL ENGINEERING
AQS 4105

Time: 3 Hours

Total marks: 100

Instructions to candidates:

- a) Answer 5 questions*
 - b) Each question carries 20 marks.*
 - c) Where information is insufficient, candidates are allowed to make reasonable assumptions. Assumptions made must be stated.*
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Question 1

What is your understanding of the clause found in the Standard Building Contract “the contractor to provide everything necessary for the works” (20 marks)

Question 2

Describe any five differences between “The Standard Building Contract” and any local construction contract document of your choice (20 marks)

Question 3

Using the standard Building Contract, explain with examples how variations are valued (20 marks)

Question 4

Explain any 5 characteristics of a good building contract (20 marks)

Question 5

Using the standard Building Contract, explain how a client can determine a contract and what the implications of determining the contract by the client are. (20 marks)

Question 6

A contractor has ignored the instruction from the client to change a specified type of tile on the strength that the client is not empowered to do so. The client is arguing that The Standard Building contract is signed between the contractor and client. Describe the correct contractual position and what would be your advice to the parties concerned so that there is a win-win situation (20 marks)

Question 7

Under what circumstances is an extension of time claim granted and when does it result in a loss and expense claim (20 marks)