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Q139 - Navigation General: Oceans

1. A magnetic compass card is marked in how many degrees?

- 90
- 180
- **360**
- 400

Note:

A magnetic compass card represents a full circle, which is measured in 360 degrees. Therefore, the correct answer is 360.

2. As a vessel changes course to starboard, which is TRUE concerning the compass card in a magnetic compass?

- The card also turns to starboard
- It first turns to starboard then counterclockwise to port
- The card turns counterclockwise to port
- **The card remains aligned with compass north**

Note:

The magnetic compass card remains aligned with magnetic north as the vessel changes course; the ship rotates around the card.

3. The heading of a vessel is indicated by what part of the compass?

- Needle
- Card
- **Lubber's line**
- Gimbals

Note:

The heading is determined by the alignment of the compass card with the fixed lubber's line, which is aligned with the vessel's fore-and-aft line. The lubber's line serves as a fixed reference point, while the compass card rotates to indicate direction; the needle or sensing element aligns the card, and the gimbals maintain the compass's level.

4. What does the lubber's line on a magnetic compass indicate?

- **The vessel's compass heading**
- Compass north
- Magnetic north
- A relative bearing taken with an azimuth circle

Note:

The lubber's line is a fixed reference mark on a magnetic compass that indicates the vessel's compass heading, aligning with the ship's centerline and showing the direction the bow is pointing on the compass card.

5. A vessel heading NNW is on a course of _____.

- 274.5°
- 292.0°
- 315.5°
- **337.5°**

Note:

A vessel heading NNW has a course of 337.5. This is because NNW lies 22.5 west of true north on a standard 16-point compass rose, calculated as 360 - 22.5.

6. A vessel heading NE is on which course?

- 022.5°
- **045.0°**
- 067.5°
- 090.0°

Note:

Northeast corresponds to a course of 045.0 because it lies exactly halfway between North (000) and East (090) on a 360 compass.

7. A vessel heading WSW is on a course of _____.

- 202.5°
- 225.0°
- **247.5°**
- 271.0°

Note:

WSW lies between southwest (225) and west (270), resulting in a true bearing of 247.5.

8. A vessel heading SSE is on a course of _____.

- 112.5°
- 135.0°
- **157.5°**
- 180.0°

Note:

SSE lies between SE (135.0) and S (180.0), resulting in a course of 157.5.

9. Apparent wind speed blowing across a MODU under tow can be measured by a(n) _____.

- **anemometer**
- wind vane
- thermometer
- barometer

Note:

An anemometer measures wind speed, including apparent wind speed on a MODU under tow. Other instruments measure wind direction, temperature, or atmospheric pressure, respectively, and are therefore incorrect.

10. At 0000 you fix your position and change course to 090°T. At 0030 you again fix your position, and it is 0.5 mile east of your DR. Which statement is TRUE?

- The drift is 0.5 knot.
- **The current is easterly.**
- You should alter course to the right to regain the track line.
- The current is perpendicular to your track line.

Note:

Being east of your DR after steering 090T indicates an easterly current.
