

Board of Examiners in Land Surveying

**The Surveying Profession**  
(3 Hour Closed Book Exam)

**(Note: "Point form" answers are preferable.)**

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- 4 1. (a) What is Title Insurance and how does it work?
- 2 (b) Why is Title insurance an issue with members of the ALSA?
- 3 2. (a) What is a Descriptive Plan?
- 3 (b) List the advantages and disadvantages of it's use compared to a Plan of Survey.
- 2 3. Is there a statutory requirement for a Real Property Report in Alberta?
- 6 4. Explain "land surveying" and "practice of surveying" as they pertain to Alberta.
- 5 5. Briefly define "accuracy" and "precision".
- 5 6. Discuss the implications of performing survey work on a fixed price basis.
- 4 7. (a) What is the purpose of professional liability insurance and are Alberta Land Surveyors required to carry this insurance?
- 4 (b) Discuss procedures a firm could adopt to minimise the occurrence of errors and omissions.
- 2 (c) As an ALS, you discover you have done something which you expect will result in a claim against your firm. What do you do?
- 2 (d) What is the minimum level of liability coverage and minimum allowable deductible for an ALS?
- 2 8. (a) Where is the 1998 ALSA Annual General Meeting being held?
- 2 (b) Who is the present President of ALSA?
- 2 (c) How are members of ALSA Council selected?
- 2 (d) Are all members of Council registered Alberta Land Surveyors?
- 3 9. (a) What is the purpose of the ALS Code of Ethics?
- 3 (b) Name and discuss one article of the Code of Ethics
- 7 10. Discuss the fundamental differences in purpose between the Practice Review process and the Discipline Process.

