

Foundation Certificate in Marketing - Stage 2

REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT FOR MARKETING

THURSDAY, 4TH MAY 2000. TIME: 9.30 am - 12.30 pm

Please attempt **FIVE** questions.

(If more than the specified number of questions are attempted, delete those you do not wish to have marked. Otherwise the Examiner will mark the **FIRST** five questions in your Answer Book).

All questions carry equal marks.

Do **NOT** repeat question in answer, but show clearly the number of the question attempted on the appropriate page of the Answer Book.

- 1. Fully discuss the rule that consideration must be sufficient (real) but need not be adequate. The answer should be illustrated by reference to relevant precedents.
- 2. Define each of the following legislative provisions of the European Union and in each case indicate how such a provision becomes part of the domestic law of this State:

| (a) | A Regulation | (8 marks) |
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| (b) | A Directive | (8 marks) |
| (c) | A Decision | (4 marks) |

3. When parties enter into a contract it is virtually impossible for them to include express terms to cover every eventuality. If a dispute later arises it may then be necessary for terms to be implied into the contract.

Explain when these terms will be implied:

| (a) | by the courts, and | (12 marks) |
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| (b) | by statute | (8 marks) |

4. Detail the various methods by which a contract of agency may be created.

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- 5. (a) In respect to the law of product liability, distinguish between the basis of liability in the law of negligence and the Liability for Defective Products Act, 1991. (12 marks)
 - (b) In what circumstances will a possible defence be available within the 1991 Act to the producer of a defective product? (8 marks)
- 6. Discuss the significance of the Office of Director of Consumer Affairs and Fair Trading in the context of the protection of consumer rights.
- 7. In relation to Irish Competition Law and Policy, discuss any **two** of the following:
 - (a) The functions of the Competition Authority.
 - (b) The relative role of 'licences' and 'certificates' issued under the Competition Acts.
 - (c) Abuse of a dominant position.
- 8. The law recognised, principally through various legislative provisions, the right to 'own' and 'protect' intellectual property. Provide an overview of how a series of recent legislative measures have provided improved protection in the area of intellectual property.