# MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2010 question paper for the guidance of teachers 

## 5054 PHYSICS

5054/42 Paper 4 (Alternative to Practical), maximum raw mark 30

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1 (a) to obtain uniform temperature/heat spread (uniformly) throughout oil
(b) temperature increase is slow/temperature change small/heats up slowly/ oil doesn't become too hot/prevent overheating oil has low specific heat capacity/heats up quickly/oil has high boiling point/ higher boiling point than water/above $110^{\circ} \mathrm{C} /$ may break thermometer

B1

## [1]

(c) (i) axes: correct way round, labelled quantity and unit

B1
scales: more than $1 / 2$ page, sensible $2 \mathrm{~cm} \equiv 2 \mathrm{~s}$ and $2 \mathrm{~cm} \equiv 10^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \quad$ B1
points plotted accurately to within $1 / 2$ small square; dots $\leqslant 1 / 2$ small square $\quad$ B1
reasonable attempt at smooth curve of best fit neatly drawn
B1
(ii) if line on graph not extrapolated to $80^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \quad 13.3 \mathrm{~s} \pm 0.2 \mathrm{~s} \quad$ unit required if reasonable extrapolation, correct value read from graph unit required $B$
(iii) $110^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / 100^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \quad$ unit required

B1

B1
[1]
(e)
using two people to take the measurements
pouring the oil quickly after taking its temperature


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3 (a) (i) slow reactions stopping stopwatch/started stopwatch early faulty stopwatch/string wound incorrectly
(ii) 4.488
4.49 accept 4.5
c.a.o. 3 / 2 s.f. only
(b) $15 / 14.8 / 14.9 / \% \quad$ unit required no s.f. penalty e.c.f. (a) (ii)
(c) use a marker at $1 \mathrm{~m} /$ metre rule vertical/avoid parallax error/rule close to string/ parallax error described accurately

B1
[Total: 5]

4 (a) so can be replaced (exactly) if moved/knocked/so rays can be drawn through the block/to know where the ray changes direction/marks air-glass boundary B1
(b) views $P_{1}$ and $P_{2}$ through block M0
puts $P_{3}$ and $P_{4}$ in line with $P_{1}$ and $P_{2}$
B1
(c) (i) ray drawn accurately within block with ruler B1
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { (ii) normal drawn correctly } \\ \text { direction from centre of block } & \text { B1 }\end{array}$
(iii) $34^{\circ} \pm 3^{\circ} \quad \mathrm{B} 1$
(d) $i=0 /$ arrives along normal/ $90^{\circ}$ to surface/passes through centre of block B1
(e) ray 3 completed to match ray 1 inside block e.c.f. (c) B1
[Total: 7]

