Mark scheme

Q	uestion	Answer/Indicative content	Marks	Guidance
1	а	 Allows for mass surveillance of communications Allows the monitoring of an individual's internet activities/history Allows covert surveillance to be carried out Can demand access to protected data Can demand that ISPs/businesses give access to customer communications/history Can demand that ISPs/businesses install equipment that facilitate surveillance Can demand that encryption keys are handed over / force individuals to decrypt data Can keep existence of searches and what found private in court 	3	Allow other suitable answers relating to examples of other types of surveillance e.g. CCTV, directed surveillance. MP4 relates to password protected data or accessing data protected under the DPA Examiner's Comments There were a number of candidates who could not accurately name one additional power.
	b	 Data must be processed fairly/lawfully Data must be adequate/relevant/ not excessive Data must be accurate and (where necessary) up to date Data must not be retained for longer than necessary Data can only be used for the purpose for which it was collected Data must be kept secure Data must be processed in accordance with people's rights Data must not be transferred outside of the EU without adequate protection / to other countries who do not have equivalent data protection laws 	3	Accept: Right to see their own data/change if incorrect Examiner's Comments This was generally well answered and candidates showed good understanding of the Data Protection Act (DPA) principles.

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2	а	— :	 ul> and href Login text/password submit 	5	<html> <head> <title>Robot User Interface</title> </head> <body> <h1>Robot directives</h1> Serve the company trust Iprotect data Uphold standards Uphold standards Uphold standards Iprotect data Uphold standards Iprotect data Uphold standards Iprotect data Iprotect data</body></html>
		ii	 h1 and other code contained in { } color :white; background-color : red; /background: red; 	3	Ignore presence or lack of <style> tags. Ignore lack of semicolons Penalise misspelling of "color" once and then FT h1 { color:white; background-color: red; } White can be #FFFFFF or #FFF Red can be #FF0000 or #F00 Examiner's Comments Many candidates were able to gain</td></tr></tbody></table></style>

					full marks. The most common reasons candidates lost marks was through the use of quotes around the colour equals instead of colons and for misspelling colour
	b	i	Copyright Designs and Patents Act Any two from: Gives the author (the programmers)ownership/copyright of the photographs no need to apply / this is automatic Others cannot use/distribute / can beprosecuted/fined for using/distributing without permission Permission can be granted / bought / licenced	3	Must be full name of Act for MP1 FT for versions of Copyright or nothing for MP2-6 Examiner's Comments Many candidates were able to gain 2 marks but many did not give the full name of the legislation.
		ii	 Ask permission of author / photographer /owner Use images marked as copyright free (e.g.Creative Commons Licence) Purchase (licence to use) image 	2	Do not accept just "ask permission" Examiner's Comments Many candidates were able to gain 2 marks. It was surprising to see how many believed that you could use copyright images for your business just by crediting the artist. Candidates should be made aware that although crediting the artist may help avoid plagiarism it does not allow you free use of a copyright image.
			Total	13	
3			Mark Band 3 – High Level (9–12 marks) The candidate demonstrates a thorough knowledge and understanding of The Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA) 2000. The material is generally accurate and detailed. The candidate is able to apply their knowledge and understanding directly and consistently to the context provided. Evidence/examples will be explicitly relevant to the explanation.	12 AO1.1 (2) AO1.2 (2) AO2.1 (2) AO3.3 (3)	The following shows example content that may form part of a candidate's answer. It is not intended to be an exhaustive resource, nor should a candidate be expected to specifically cover any particular amount of this. Knowledge (AO1) Implements additional rights regarding surveillance / monitoring of individuals and acquisition of communications data

The candidate is able to weigh up both sides of the argument which results in a supported and realistic judgement covering the benefits and drawbacks of the Act. This is well balanced.

There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.

Mark Band 2 - Mid Level (5-8 marks)

The candidate demonstrates reasonable knowledge and understanding of The Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA) 2000; the material is generally accurate but at times underdeveloped.

The candidate is able to apply their knowledge and understanding directly to the context provided although one or two opportunities are missed. Evidence / examples are for the most part implicitly relevant to the explanation.

The candidate makes a reasonable attempt to come to a conclusion showing some recognition of benefits and/or drawbacks. This may not be well-balanced, covering one side significantly more than the other, although both sides will be present.

There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is in the most part relevant and supported by some evidence.

Mark Band 1 – Low Level (1–4 marks)

The candidate demonstrates a basic knowledge of The Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA) 2000; the material is basic and contains some inaccuracies. The candidate makes a limited attempt to apply acquired knowledge and understanding to the context provided.

The candidate provides nothing more than unsupported assertions. Any conclusion, if present, will be almost entirely one-sided.

The information is basic and

- Provides the right for many organisations (including the Police and security services) to do this.
- Purpose is to detect crime and defend national security (e.g. terrorism, public disorder)
- Gives access to individuals' private communications, such as emails, text messages, phone calls, Internet history.
- Some people feel this is an invasion of their privacy

Application (AO2)

- Monitoring can be carried out by far more organisations than just the Police and Security services – for example, local councils, the pension regulator and the Environment Agency are all able to use surveillance or request data about individuals.
- If files are encrypted, the Act gives powers to force the handover of keys (from individuals or organisations) with a 2 year prison sentence possible on refusal.
- Wide ranging powers have allowed Police and Security services to intercept criminals' communications and stop / disrupt crime.

Evaluation (AO3)

- In the modern world, it is important that Police and Security services are given the power to deal with electronic communications in this way. Many crimes (e.g. terrorism) can be detected and stopped before they occur, making the public safer.
- However, some say that it is now a "snooper's charter", with more organisations using their powers for minor offences such as detecting

	communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence and the relationship to the evidence may not be clear. O mark No attempt to answer the question or response is not worthy of credit.		those lying about their address to get children into a better school or fly-tipping. • Many communication tools (e.g. WhatsApp) now include end-to-end encryption by default so that messages cannot be divulged by the organisation because they do not have access to it. Other encryption tools include plausible deniability.
			Examiner's Comments Responses to this question were varied, some candidates showed a clear understanding of the powers and to whom they are given. Some were aware of the powers but focused on the police or security services in their response. Some went off track, talking about other countries. In general this was not answered well and candidates tended to have a one sided view of the act.
	Total	12	
4	 Copyright assigned to owner of video automatically on creation Makes it illegal to copy/distribute videos as your own/without permission Copyright holder can ask for their work to be removed from the streaming platform Membership/licence gives subscribers the agreement to view videos Which may restrict their use (e.g. to whom it is shown or geographical location from which it is accessed). 	2	Examiner's Comments Most candidates were able to gain 1 mark for this question, but few went on to gain a second mark.
	Total	2	
5	Mark Band 3–High Level (7-9 marks) The candidate has weighed up benefits and drawbacks of the technology and has applied the moral, legal and ethical	9 (AO1.1) (2) (AO1.2) (2)	Knowledge: BenefitsCustomer:Personalised offers

issues to both the customer and the business; the material is generally accurate and detailed.

The candidate is able to apply their knowledge and understanding directly and consistently to the context provided. Evidence/examples will be explicitly relevant to the explanation.

The candidate will have come to a fully justified conclusion.

There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.

Mark Band 2-Mid Level (4-6 marks)

The candidate has weighed up benefits and drawbacks of the technology. They will have explored some of the moral, legal and ethical issues but they may not be equally spread across both the customer and the business; the material is generally accurate but at times underdeveloped.

The candidate is able to apply their knowledge and understanding directly to the context provided although one or two opportunities are missed.

Evidence/examples are for the most part implicitly relevant to the explanation. The candidate will have come to a conclusion although they may not fully justify it.

There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is in the most part relevant and supported by some evidence.

Mark Band 1-Low Level (1-3 marks)

The candidate identifies some of the benefits and drawbacks, though they have probably shown little consideration of the legal, ethical and moral issues; the material is basic and contains some inaccuracies.

The candidate makes a limited attempt to apply acquired knowledge and understanding to the context provided. The candidate may not reach a recognisable conclusion.

(AO2.1) Business:

(2)

(AO3.3) (3)

- Targeted adverts
- Able to track movement habits of customers
- Provide more personalised shopping experiences.

Drawbacks

Customer:

- Personal intrusion
- Invasion of privacy
- Pressured selling

Business:

- Cost of infra structure
- Viewed as invading personal privacy

Moral and Ethical issues

- Violation of civil liberties
- Recording people on the street who are not going into the shop

Legal issues:

- under data protection laws the shop would need to
 - Keep any data recorded secure
 - Personal data should be accurate and up to date

Application:

Benefits

Customer:

- Personalised experience will lead to more convenient shopping trips
- Staff will give personalised service

Business:

 Tracking movement of customers means able to identify best opening times The information is basic and communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence and the relationship to the evidence may not be clear.

0 marks

No attempt to answer the question or response is not worthy of credit.

- Tracking customers around shop allows better analysis of popular products
- Use of modern technology will make the shop be seen as forward thinking.

Drawbacks

Customer:

- Customers may not want to be "pressured" meaning they decide not to shop there anymore.
- Tracking data could be hacked and used by criminals

Business:

- Extra hardware costs may lead to higher prices/competitors undercut them
- Customers who feel their privacy has been invaded may "vote with their feet"

Moral and Ethical issues

 Abuse of civil liberties could damage reputation of shop

Legal issues:

- Shop may need to add extra software to blur out faces of non-customers
- Shop will need to spend more money on data protection compliance, leading to higher costs.

Evaluation:

Benefits

- Increased revenue from directed sales offset extra costs from hardware/legal obligations
- Improved reputation through use of modern technologies may attract more customers

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There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is in the most part relevant and supported by some evidence.

Mark Band 1-Low Level (1-3 marks)

The candidate demonstrates a basic knowledge of legislation including the Computer Misuse Act; the material is basic and contains some inaccuracies. The candidate makes a limited attempt to apply acquired knowledge and understanding to the context provided.

The candidate provides a limited discussion which is narrow in focus. Judgments if made are weak and unsubstantiated. The information is basic and communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence and the relationship to the evidence may not be clear.

0 marks

actions.

Users must be aware of the Act (as with any other law) in order to be responsible.

AO3

Material available online (e.g. self study videos) that explain how systems work and teach without the need to investigate using unauthorised access. Investigating systems that you own yourself or have authorisation to access does not break the law. Systems are offered to users with strict conditions attached and investigation is not a legitimate excuse for breaking the law. Ethical / white hat hackers will not break this law because they have authorisation. Grey and black hat hackers will break

Computer Misuse Act.

No attempt to answer the question or response is not worthy of credit. 9 **Total** Mark Band 3-High Level (7-9 marks) 9 AO1 The candidate demonstrates a thorough Encryption means that data is knowledge and understanding of AO1.1 scrambled so that if it is intercepted, 7 electronic communication monitoring (2) it cannot be understood. AO1.2 techniques and the social and legal Requires the use of a key to decrypt. impact of this. The material is generally Symmetric encryption uses on key (2)

accurate and detailed.

The candidate is able to apply their knowledge and understanding directly and consistently to the context provided. Evidence/examples will be explicitly relevant to the explanation.

The candidate provides a thorough discussion which is well balanced. Evaluative comments are consistently relevant and well-considered.

There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.

Mark Band 2-Mid Level (4-6 marks)

The candidate demonstrates reasonable knowledge and understanding electronic communication monitoring techniques and the social and legal impact of this; the material is generally accurate but at times underdeveloped.

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AO2.1 (2)

for encrypt/decrypt and so key exchange is problematic.

AO3.3 (3)

Asymmetric encryption uses different keys (public and private) so no need to exchange keys.

Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA) gives authorities the power to compel disclosure of encryption keys

AO₂

Encrypted messages cannot be read by outsiders without the key RIPA gives Police the power to insist on users decrypting messages / handing over the key to allow reading of messages.

Many messaging services already include end-to-end encryption by default

Use of VPNs to re-route traffic and attempt to escape monitoring possible

The ending of encrypted data shows that two parties are passing information they want to keep secret. Techniques like steganography can be used to his the existence of encrypted data.

AO3

Monitoring communication runs the risk of revealing secret but non-illegal communications

Restricting encryption means that secure sites (eg banks) may struggle to function

Legislation (RIPA) already ensures that communications can be monitored if there is just cause Routine monitoring runs the risk of false-positives

However, will reduce risk of illegal activities being co-ordinated (e.g. terrorism, drug trafficking).

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