

**Useful Information
Physics 1150**

General Conversions and Constants:

1000 m = 1 km = 0.62mi 1mile = 1609m 1inch = 2.54cm 1 Newton (N) = 0.22 pounds = 1 $\frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}/\text{sec}}{\text{sec}}$

1 Hz = 1 cycle/sec 1in = 2.54cm liter = 1000 cm³ area of a sphere = 4πr² area of a circle = πr²

1 atom mass unit (u) = 1.67X10⁻²⁷kg 42 gallons = 1 barrel of oil 1 m³ = 264.2 gallons

kilo(k) = 10³ mega(M) = 10⁶ giga(G) = 10⁹ tera(T) = 10¹² exa(E) = 10¹⁸

centi = 10⁻² milli(m) = 10⁻³ micro(μ) = 10⁻⁶ nano(n) = 10⁻⁹ pico(p) = 10⁻¹²

Energy and Power Units:

g = 10 N/kg c = 3X10⁸ m/sec mass m³ of water = 1000kg

Unit	Definition	Joules
Joule	energy gained if 1 newton acts over 1 meter	1.0
calorie	energy needed to raise 1 gram of 1 water 1 °C	4.18
Calorie	Dietary calorie – 1000 calories	4180
BTU	British Thermal Unit - energy needed to raise 1 lb of water 1 °F	1055
Quad	1 Quadrillion (10 ¹⁵) BTU	1.055 X 10 ¹⁸
Therm	100,000 BTU	10 ⁸
kWhr	Kilowatt-hour – energy from 1000 watts of power over 1 hours	3.6 X 10 ⁶
BOE	Barrel of Oil Equivalent – amount of energy in a barrel of oil	6.1 X 10 ⁹
Megaton	Energy form explosion of million tons of TNT	4.18 X 10 ¹⁵
eV	Electron-Volt – energy of 1 electron after passing through a potential of 1 volt	1.6 X 10 ⁻¹⁹

Unit	Definition	Watts
Watts	Power of 1 joule per second	1.0
HP	Horsepower – power from the average horse	745.7

Mechanics:

Work / Power: $W = (F_{parallel})\Delta x = \Delta KE$

$$P = \frac{\Delta E}{\Delta t} \quad \text{Weight} = mg$$

Kinetic /Potential Energy:

$$KE = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \quad GPE = mgh$$

Energy Content		
Material	MJ/kg	Other
Natural Gas	55	30 kWh/100ft ³
Coal	29	37 X 10 ⁹ J/m ³
Oil	43	138 kBtu/gal
Gasoline	44	1.3 X 10 ⁸ J/gal
Hydrogen	142	320 Btu /ft ³
8% Enriched U	7,090,000	1,980 GWh/tonne

Energy / Conservation of Energy:

$$E = KE + GPE \quad E_{final} = E_{initial}$$

Wind:

$$Power = area * (\frac{1}{2} \rho v^3)$$

Hydro:

$$Power = (Flow\ rate) * \rho * g * h$$

Temperature, Heat & Thermodynamics:

Temperature Conversion: $T(K) = T(^{\circ}C) + 273$

$T(^{\circ}F) = T(^{\circ}C) * 9/5 + 32^{\circ}$ $T(^{\circ}C) = (T(^{\circ}F) - 32^{\circ}) * 5/9$

CO2 Emissions	
Material	kg/GJ
Natural Gas	50
Coal	90
Oil	50
Gasoline	70

(units and constants are in straight text, variables are in italics)

(“Δ” means “change in...”, “Σ” means “add all theup”)

Heat via Radiation:

$$\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W/m}^2/\text{K}^4 \quad P_{rad} = \epsilon_0 * \sigma * T^4 * area \quad v = \lambda * f = \lambda / Period \quad \lambda_{max} = \frac{2.9 \text{ mm K}}{T}$$

$$\text{Intensity} = \frac{Power}{Area} \quad I_{above} = S = 1364 \text{ W/m}^2 \quad S_{eff} / 4 = \epsilon_0 * \sigma * T^4$$

$$I_{Chicago} = 160 \text{ W/m}^2 \quad I_{Tucson} = 240 \text{ W/m}^2$$

Heat via Conduction for single layer:

$$Power = k * \frac{area * (T_H - T_C)}{thickness} \quad R = \sum \frac{thickness}{k}$$

$$Efficiency = \epsilon = \frac{what\ you\ want\ out}{what\ you\ put\ in} = \frac{W}{Q_H} \leq \frac{T_H - T_C}{T_H} = 1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H}$$

$$COP(air\ conditioner) = \frac{Q_C}{W} \leq \frac{T_C}{T_H - T_C}$$

$$COP(heat\ pump) = \frac{Q_H}{W} \leq \frac{T_H}{T_H - T_C}$$

$$Q_{net} = \Delta E_{int} + W \quad Q = mc\Delta T \quad Q = mL$$

Electricity:

1 Ampere (A) = 1 Coulomb/sec e = 1.6 X 10⁻¹⁹ Coulomb
 1 Watt (W) = 1 Volt (V) * 1 Ampere (A)

$$V = IR \quad P = VI \quad P_{lost} = I^2R$$

Transformers:

$$V_{prim} I_{prim} = V_{sec} I_{sec} \quad I_{prim} N_{prim} = I_{sec} N_{sec} \quad \frac{V_{prim}}{N_{prim}} = \frac{V_{sec}}{N_{sec}}$$

Insulation Value (k)	
Material	W/m C
Copper	401
Stainless Steel	14
Glass	1.0
Concrete	0.8
Pine (wood)	0.11
Sheet Rock	0.10
Fiberglass Insul	0.048
Dry Air	0.026
Foam Insulation	0.024

Specific Heat (c)	
Material	J/kg C
Aluminum	901
Stainless Steel	502
Glass	753
Concrete	880
Liquid Water	4184
Ice	2050

Latent Heat of Water (L) kJ/kg	
Evaporation	2257
Fusion	333

Nuclear physics and Radiation:

Unit	Definition
Bequerel (Bq)	Number of decays per second – 1 decay per second
Curie (Ci)	Number of decays from 1 gram of radium – 3.7X10 ¹⁰ Bq
Gray (Gy)	Energy absorbed by matter - 1 Joule of energy absorbed per kilogram
Rad	0.01 Gray
Roentgen (R)	Radiation which ionizes 2.58X10 ⁻⁴ C per kg of air (~0.877Rad)
Sivert (Sv)	Effect of radiation on a human – Q*Gy
Roentgen equivalent man (REM)	Effect of radiation on a human – Q*Rad (0.01 Sv)

$$E = mc^2 \quad {}^A_Z X \rightarrow {}^{A-4}_{Z-2} X + \alpha \quad {}^A_Z X \rightarrow {}^A_{Z+1} X + \beta^- \quad 100\text{mSv gives } \sim 1/100 \text{ increase in cancer}$$