

2.000 Preferred Units & Conversion Factors

PREFERRED UNITS

Quantity	English	Metric
Power	hp	W
Energy	ft-lbf	J
Length	in or ft or mile	cm or m or km
Temperature	°F	°C

UNIT DECOMPOSITION

Unit	Quantifies	Base Units
N	Force	kg (m/s ²)
psi	Pressure	lbf / in ²
Pa	Pressure	N / m ²
J	Energy	N m
W	Power	J / s

CONVERSION FACTORS

Power	$\frac{1 \text{ hp}}{745.7 \text{ W}}$	$\frac{1 \text{ hp s}}{550 \text{ ft lbf}}$	$\frac{1 \text{ Btu/s}}{1055 \text{ W}}$
Energy	$\frac{1.356 \text{ J}}{1 \text{ ft lbf}}$	$\frac{1 \text{ Btu}}{1055 \text{ J}}$	$\frac{1 \text{ cal}}{4.1868 \text{ J}}$
Mass	$\frac{1 \text{ kg}}{2.205 \text{ lbm}}$	$\frac{14.59 \text{ kg}}{1 \text{ slug}}$	
Length	$\frac{1 \text{ in}}{2.54 \text{ cm}}$	$\frac{1 \text{ m}}{3.281 \text{ ft}}$	$\frac{1 \text{ mile}}{1609 \text{ m}}$
Velocity	$\frac{1 \text{ mph}}{1.609 \text{ kph}}$	$\frac{1 \text{ m/s}}{3.281 \text{ ft/s}}$	
Volume	$\frac{0.01 \text{ m}^3}{1 \text{ L}}$	$\frac{7.481 \text{ gallon}}{1 \text{ ft}^3}$	$\frac{35.315 \text{ ft}^3}{\text{m}^3}$
Temp	$^{\circ}\text{F} = 1.8 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} + 32$	$^{\circ}\text{K} = ^{\circ}\text{C} + 273.15$	$^{\circ}\text{R} = ^{\circ}\text{F} + 459.67$
Pressure	$\frac{1 \text{ atm}}{1.0131 \text{ bar}}$	$\frac{1 \text{ bar}}{10^5 \text{ Pa}}$	$\frac{1 \text{ psi}}{6894.8 \text{ Pa}}$