

## Units

### Metric System

Dimension	Symbol	Unit	Symbol
Mass	M	kilogram	kg
Length	L	meter	m
Time	T	second	s
Temperature	$\Theta$	kelvin	K
Amount of substance	N	mole	mol
Light Intensity	J	candela	cd
Electric current	I	ampere	A

### SI Prefixes

Power of 10	Prefix	Abbreviation
$10^{-15}$	femto	f
$10^{-12}$	pico	p
$10^{-9}$	nano	n
$10^{-6}$	micro	$\mu$
$10^{-3}$	milli	m
$10^{-2}$	centi	c
$10^3$	kilo	k
$10^6$	Mega	M
$10^9$	Giga	G
$10^{12}$	Tera	T
$10^{15}$	Peta	P

### Other Unit Systems

Dimension	SI (MKS)	AES	USCS
Length	meter [m]	foot [ft]	foot [ft]
Mass	kilogram [kg]	pound-mass [ $\text{lb}_m$ ]	slug
Time	second [s]	second [s]	second [s]
Temperature	kelvin [K]	Fahrenheit [ $^{\circ}\text{F}$ ]	Fahrenheit [ $^{\circ}\text{F}$ ]
	Celsius [ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ]	Rankine [ $^{\circ}\text{R}$ ]	Rankine [ $^{\circ}\text{R}$ ]

Acceptable Non-SI Units:

Unit	Equivalent SI
Astronomical Unit [AU]	1 AU = $1.4959787 \times 10^{11}$ m
Atomic mass unit [AMU]	1 amu = $1.6605402 \times 10^{-24}$ g
Liter [L]	1 L = 0.001 m <sup>3</sup>
day [d]	1 d = 86400 s
hour [h]	1 h = 3600 s
minute [min]	1 min = 60 s
year	1 year = $3.16 \times 10^7$ s
degree [°]	1° = $\pi/180$ rad

## Conversion Factors

Conversion factors for length:

1 m = 3.28 ft
1 km = 0.62 mi
1 ft = 12 in
1 in = 2.54 cm
1 mi = 5280 ft
1 yd = 3 ft

Conversion factors for time:

1 d = 24 h
1 h = 60 min
1 min = 60 s
1 yr = 365 d

Conversion factors for volume:

1 L = 0.264 gal
1 L = 0.0353 ft <sup>3</sup>
1 L = 33.8 fl oz
1 m <sup>3</sup> = 1000 L
1 mL = 1 cm <sup>3</sup>

**Common Derived Units**

Dimension	SI Unit	Base SI Units	Derived From
Force (F)	newton [N]	$1 \text{ N} = 1 \frac{\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$	$F = ma$
Energy (E)	joule [J]	$1 \text{ J} = 1 \text{ N m}$	$E = Fd$
Power (P)	watt [W]	$1 \text{ W} = 1 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{s}}$	$P = E/t$
Pressure (P)	pascal [Pa] atmosphere [atm]	$1 \text{ Pa} = 1 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}^2}$ $1 \text{ atm} = 101325 \text{ Pa}$	$P = F/A$
Voltage (V)	volt [V]	$1 \text{ V} = 1 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{A}}$	$V = P/I$

**Common English Units**

Dimension	English Unit	Base English Units	Derived from
Mass (m)	pound mass ( $\text{lb}_m$ )	$\frac{\text{lbf}\cdot\text{s}^2}{32.2 \text{ ft}}$	$m = \frac{F}{a}$
Power (P)	horsepower (hp)	$550 \frac{\text{lb}_f\cdot\text{ft}}{\text{s}}$	$P = \frac{Fd}{t}$