

# Frictional Force

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$$F = \mu N$$

$\mu$  = Coefficient of friction

$N$  = Normal force (weight  
on horizontal surface)

# Specific Gravity

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$$SG = \frac{\text{Density of Substance}}{\text{Density of water}}$$

# Absolute Temperature Scale

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$$760 \text{ mm Hg} = 1 \text{ atm} = 14.7 \text{ psi}$$

# Normal Temperature

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$$25 \text{ C} = 77 \text{ F} = 298 \text{ K} = 537 \text{ R}$$



# Time Weighted Average

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$$T_1C_1 + T_2C_2 + \dots + T_nC_n$$

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$$T_1 + T_2 + \dots + T_n$$

**T = Sampling time**

**C = Concentration**

# Atomic Number

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**The number of protons in the  
nucleus defines the element**

# Prefix pico-

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$$\begin{aligned} 1/1,000,000,000,000 &= 0.000000000001 \\ &= 10^{-12} \text{ as in picometer (pm)} \end{aligned}$$

# Hertz (Hz)

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**Per second =  $\text{sec}^{-1}$  = 1/sec**



# Liters in a meter<sup>3</sup>

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**1000**

# Electron

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**Negatively charged subatomic particle  
orbiting the nucleus of an atom**

# BOYLE'S Law

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$$P_1V_1 = P_2V_2$$

**At constant temperature(Kelvin or Rankine)  
and Pressure is absolute**

# Noise Reduction Calculation

$$NR = \frac{12.6P\alpha^{1.4}}{A}$$

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## Terms and Units

**NR = noise reduction (dB/ft)**

**P = perimeter of duct (in)**

**$\alpha$  = absorption coefficient of the lining material at frequency of interest**

**A = cross-sectional area of duct (in<sup>2</sup>)**

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**Used to predict noise reduction resulting when ducts are lined with acoustical material.**



# Sound Intensity to Decibels

$$L_1 = 10 \log \frac{I}{I_0} \text{ dB}$$

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## Terms and Units

$L_1$  = sound pressure level (dB)

$I$  = sound intensity ( $\text{W}/\text{m}^2$ )

$I_0$  = reference sound intensity ( $10^{-12} \text{ W}/\text{m}^2$ )

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Used to measure sound pressure level,  
using a measured sound intensity and  
corresponding reference intensity.

# Noise Allowable Time Calculation

$$T = \frac{8}{2^{\left[\frac{L-90}{5}\right]}}$$

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## Terms and Units

**T = allowed exposure time (hours)**

**L = TWA exposure (dBA)**

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**Used to determine allowed noise  
exposure time based on a  
predefined exposure limit.**

# Noise Inverse Square Law

$$dB_1 = dB_0 + 20 \log \frac{d_0}{d_1}$$

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## Terms and Units

$\text{dB}_0$  = noise level at distance  $d_0$  (dB)

$\text{dB}_1$  = noise level at distance  $d_1$  (dB)

$d_0, d_1$  = distance

(any consistent units, e.g. m)

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Used to demonstrate the relationship  
between noise level and distance, an  
inverse square.

# Noise Dose

$$D = 100 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{C_i}{T_i} \right]$$

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## Terms and Units

**%D = noise dose in percent**

**$C_{1...i}$  = exposure duration of  $i^{\text{th}}$  sound level (hr)**

**$T_{1...i}$  = corresponding allowed noise exposure duration**

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**Used to calculate the percent noise dose based on samples taken over the course of the work period, compared with the corresponding allowed noise exposure duration.**



# Pascals to Decibels

$$L_p = 20 \log \frac{P}{P_0}$$

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## Terms and Units

$L_p$  = sound pressure level (dB)

$P$  = measured sound level (Pa)

$P_0$  = reference sound pressure  
( $20 \times 10^{-6}$  Pa)

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Used to calculate sound pressure level, based on measured sound pressure and a reference pressure of the same unit.

# Radiation Inverse Square Law

$$I_2 = I_1 \frac{(d_1)^2}{(d_2)^2}$$

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## Terms and Units

$I_1$  = radiation intensity at distance  $d_1$

$I_2$  = radiation intensity at distance  $d_2$

$d_1, d_2$  = distance from source (cm)

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Used to describe how radiation intensity changes as distance from a point source increases or decreases.

$$1 \text{ radian} = \frac{180^\circ}{\pi}$$

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## Terms and Units

**radian = an angular measurement  
term (rad)**

**$180^\circ$  = number of degrees in one-half circle**

**$\pi$  = the constant, pi (3.14159)**

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**Used to describe the relationship between  
radian, angular measurement and degrees.**

$$P = A \left[ \frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i(1+i)^n} \right]$$

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### Terms and Units

**P = present value (\$)**

**A = annual investment or payment (\$)**

**I = interest rate**

**n = number of years**

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**Used to calculate the present value of  
a series of equal annual amounts.**



$$F = A \left[ \frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i} \right]$$

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## Terms and Units

**A = annual investment or  
payment (\$)**

**F = future value (\$)**

**I = interest rate**

**n = number of years**

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**Used to determine the future value of an investment  
based on an annual investment.**

$$F = P(1 + i)^n$$

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## Terms and Units

**F = future value (\$)**

**P = present value (\$)**

**I = interest rate**

**n = number of years**

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**Used to calculate the future value of a present amount of money.**

# **NIOSH LIFTING EQUATION**

$$\text{RWL} = \text{LC} \times \text{HM} \times \text{VM} \times \text{DM} \times \text{AM} \times \text{FM} \times \text{CM}$$

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## Terms and Units

**RWL = recommended weight limit**

**HM = horizontal multiplier**

**DM = distance multiplier**

**FM = frequency multiplier**

**LC = load constant**

**VM = vertical multiplier**

**AM = asymmetric multiplier**

**CM = coupling multiplier**

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**Used to determine the recommended weight limit, or the load that can be tolerated by a healthy worker, over a long period of time, without causing injury to the worker's lower back.**

$$C = 0.65 v^{0.6} (t_{\alpha} - 95)$$

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## Terms and Units

$T_a$  = air temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{F}$ )

$v$  = air velocity (fpm)

$C$  = convective heat loss/gain from air  
movement (kcal/hr; BTU/hr)

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Used to determine convective heat  
gain/loss in body heat.



$$t_K = t_C + 273.15$$

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## Terms and Units

$t_K$  = temperature in degrees Kelvin (K)

$t_c$  = temperature in degrees Celsius ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

$273.15$  = conversion term for Celsius  
to Kelvin

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Used to convert between the Kelvin and  
Celsius temperature scales.