



Engineering Data - Conversion Table

Quantity or Property	Previous Units (API)	"SI" or Metric Units	Symbol	To Convert to "SI" Units, Multiply By:
Annular Velocity	ft/min	metres/min	m/min	0.3048
Apparent & Plastic Viscosity	centipoise	millipascal second	mPa·s	1
Area	acre	hectares	ha	0.4047
Bentonite Yield	bbl's/ton	cubic metres/tonne	m ³ /tonne	0.175
Bit Size	inches	millimeters	mm	25.4
Casing Capacity / Displacement	bbl/ft	cubic metres/metre	m ³ /m	0.5216
Casing Weight	lbs/ft	kilograms/metres	kg/m	0.188
Corrosion Rate	lbs/ft ² /day	grams/square metre/day	g/m ² /day	13.377
	mils per year	milligrams/day	mm/a	0.254
Depth Hole & Pipe Diameter	feet	metres	m	0.3048
Distance	miles	metres	m	1609.35
	miles	kilometres	km	1.6093
	inches	metres	m	39.37
	yards	metres	m	1.0936
	feet	metres	m	3.2808
Drill Rate	feet/hour	metres/hour	m/h	0.3048
Filter Cake Thickness	32'nds inch	millimeters	mm	0.794
Flow Rate	US gallons/min	cubic metres/min	m ³ /min	0.003785
	bbl/min	cubic metres/min	m ³ /min	0.159
Fluid Loss	millilitres or cc's	millilitres or cc's	ml or cm ³	1
Funnel Viscosity	sec/quart	seconds/litre	s/L	1.057
Hook Load	thousands of pounds	decanewtons	daN	0.444
Horsepower	Horsepower	watts	W	745.7
Horsepower per sq.inch	Hp/in ²	meagawatts /square metre	mw/m ²	1.15
Ionic Concentration in Water	parts per million (ppm)	milligram/litre	mg/L	1
Liner Length & Diameter	inches	millimeters	mm	25.4
Material Concentration	lb/bbl	kilogram/cubic metre	kg/m ³	2.85
	equivalents	moles/cubic metre	mol/m ³	1
MBT (Bentonite Equivalent)	lb/bbl	kilograms/cubic metre	kg/m ³	2.85

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Mud Density	lbs/gal	kilograms/cubic metres	kg/m ³	119.83
Mud Gradient	psi/foot	kilopascals/metre	kPa/m	22.621
Nozzle Size	32'nds inch	millimeters	mm	0.794
Particle Size	microns	micrometres	mm	1
Pounds Force	pounds	newton	N	4.448
Pressure	psi	kilopascals megapascals	kPa mPa	6.895 0.006895
Pump Data	bbl/stroke	cubic metres/stroke	m ³ /stroke	An oilfield barrel is exactly 0.1589873 m ³
Pump Output per Stroke	bbl/stroke	litres/stroke	l/stroke	159
Rotary Speed	revolutions/min (rpm)	revolutions/min (rpm)	rpm	1
Shear Rate	reciprocal second	reciprocal second	sec ⁻¹	1
Temperature	° Fahrenheit ° Celsius	° Celsius ° Fahrenheit	°C ° F	(°F-32) / 1.8 (°C×1.8) + 32
Torque	ft/lbs	newton metre	Nm	1.3558
Volume	barrels	cubic metres	m ³	0.159
	US gallons/stroke	cubic metres/stroke litres/stroke	m ³ /stroke litres/stroke	0.003785 3.785
	US gallons/stroke			
Volumes	US gallon	litre	L	3.785
	Imperial Gallon	litre	L	4.546
	US gallon	cubic metre	m ³	0.003785
	Imperial Gallon	cubic metre	m ³	0.004546
	Oilfield barrel (42 US gallons)	cubic metre	m ³	0.1589
	Cubic yards	cubic metres	m ³	0.7646
Weight on Bit	pounds	decanewtons	daN	0.445
Yield Point, Gel Strength, Shear Stress	lb/100 ft ³	pascal	Pa	0.4788 (round off to 0.5 for field use)