

Paper 1 Physics Equations to Remember – you have to learn and remember these equations

GCSE Physics (8463) (HT)

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Energy Topic

#	Written Form	Formula	Units
1	kinetic energy = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{mass} \times (\text{velocity})^2$	$[E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2]$	E_k Joules (J) m kilograms (kg) v metres per second (m/s)
2	Gravitational Potential Energy = mass \times gravitational field strength \times height	$[E_p = mgh]$	E_p Joules (J) m kilograms (kg) g Newtons per kilogram (N/kg) h metres (m)
3	power = energy transferred \div time	$[P = E/t]$	P Watts (W) E Joules (J) t seconds (s)
4	power = work done \div time	$[P = W/t]$	P Watts (W) W Joules (J) t seconds (s)
5	energy transferred = power \times time	$E = Pt$	E Joules (J) P Watts (W) t seconds (s)
6	$Efficiency = \frac{\text{Useful Energy Out}}{\text{Total Energy In}} (\times 100\%)$		
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Electricity Topic

#	Written Form	Formula	Units
1	Charge = Current \times Time	$[Q = It]$	Q Coulombs (C) I Amps (A) t seconds (s)
2	Potential Difference = Current \times Resistance	$[V = IR]$	V Volts (V) I Amps (A) R Ohms (Ω)
3	Total Resistance in Series = Sum of all Resistors	$[R_{total} = R_1 + R_2]$	$R_{(all)}$ Ohms (Ω)
4	Power = Potential Difference \times Current	$[P = VI]$	P Watts (W) V Volts (V) I Amps (A)
5	Power = (Current) ² \times Resistance	$[P = I^2 R]$	P Watts (W) I Amps (A) R Ohms (Ω)
6	Energy Transferred = Power \times Time	$[E = Pt]$	E Joules (J) P Watts (W) t seconds (s)
7	Energy Transferred = Charge \times Potential Difference	$[E = QV]$	E Joules (J) Q Coulombs (C) V Volts (V)

Particles Topic

#	Written Form	Formula	Units
1	Density = Mass \div Volume	$[\rho = m/V]$	ρ kilograms per cubic metre (kg/m ³) m kilograms (kg) V cubic metres (m ³)

Atomic Structure Topic

No specific equations for this topic but you will be expected to be able to calculate the age of material from its half-life and current radioactivity.

Equations that are Provided – you don't have to remember these, but must be able to use them

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1	elastic potential energy = $0.5 \times \text{spring constant} \times (\text{extension})^2$	$[E_e = \frac{1}{2}ke^2]$	E_e Joules (J) k Newtons per metre (N/m) e extension (m)
2	change in thermal energy = mass \times specific heat capacity \times temperature change	$[\Delta E = mc\Delta\theta]$	ΔE Joules (J) m kilograms (kg) c Joules per kilogram per degree Celsius (J/kg°C) $\Delta\theta$ degrees Celsius (°C)

Electricity Topic

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2	thermal energy for a change of state = mass \times specific latent heat	$[E = mL]$	E Joules (J) m kilograms (kg) L Joules per kilogram (J/kg)
3	For gases: pressure \times volume = constant	$[pV = \text{constant}]$	p Pascals (Pa) V cubic metres (m ³)

Atomic Structure Topic

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