

APPENDIX G

METRIC CONVERSION FACTORS

The following list provides the conversion relationship between U.S. customary units and the International System (SI) units. A complete guide to the SI system and its use can be found in ASTM E 380, Metric Practice.

To convert from	to	multiply by	To convert from	to	multiply by
Length					
inch (in.)	micrometer (μ)	25,400	pound (lb) avoirdupois	kilogram (kg)	0.4535924
inch (in.)	centimeter	2.54	ton, 2000 lb	kilogram (kg)	907.1848
inch (in.)	meter (m)	0.025	grain	kilogram (kg)	0.0000648
foot (ft)	meter (m)	0.3048			
yard (yd)	meter (m)	0.9144			
mile (mi)	kilometer (km)	1.6			
Area					
square foot (sq ft)	square meter (sq m)	0.09290304 E	kip per linear foot (klf)	kilogram per meter (kg/m)	0.001488
square inch (sq in.)	square centimeter (sq cm)	6.452 E	pound per linear foot (plf)	kilogram per meter (kg/m)	1.488
square inch (sq in.)	square meter (sq m)	0.00064516 E			
square yard (sq yd)	square meter (sq m)	0.8391274			
square mile (sq mi)	square kilometer (sq km)	2.6			
Volume					
cubic inch (cu in.)	cubic centimeter (cu cm)	16.387064	1 foot-pound (ft-lb)	Newton-meter (N-m)	1.356
cubic inch (cu in.)	cubic meter (cu m)	0.00001639			
cubic foot (cu ft)	cubic meter (cu m)	0.02831685			
cubic yard (cu yd)	cubic meter (cu m)	0.7645549			
gallon (gal) Can. liquid	liter	4.546			
gallon (gal) Can. liquid	cubic meter (cu m)	0.004546			
gallon (gal) U.S. liquid*	liter	3.7854118			
gallon (gal) U.S. liquid	cubic meter (cu m)	0.00378541			
fluid ounce (fl oz)	milliliters (ml)	29.57353			
fluid ounce (fl oz)	cubic meter (cu m)	0.00002957			
Force					
kip (1000 lb)	kilogram (kg)	453.6			
kip (1000 lb)	Newton (N)	4,448.222			
pound (lb)	kilogram (kg)	0.4535924			
pound (lb)	Newton (N)	4.448222			
Stress or pressure					
kip/sq inch (ksi)	megapascal (Mpa)	6.894757			
kip/sq inch (ksi)	kilogram/square centimeter (kg/sq cm)	70.31			
pound/sq inch (psi)	kilogram/square centimeter (kg/sq cm)	0.07031			
pound/sq inch (psi)	pascal (Pa) **	6,894.757			
pound/sq inch (psi)	megapascal (Mpa)	0.00689476			
pound/sq foot (psf)	kilogram/square meter (kg/sq m)	4.8824			
pound/sq foot (psf)	pascal (Pa)	47.88			
Temperature					
degree Fahrenheit (°F)	degree Celsius (°C)	$t_C = (t_F - 32)/1.8$			
degree Fahrenheit (°F)	degree Kelvin (°K)	$t_K = (t_F + 459.7)/1.8$			
degree Kelvin (°F)	degree Celsius (°C)	$t_C = (t_K - 32)/1.8$			
* One U.S. gallon equals 0.8327 Canadian gallon					
** A pascal equals 1000 Newton per square meter.					
The prefixes and symbols below are commonly used to form names and symbols of the decimal multiples and submultiples of the SI units.					
Multiplication Factor	Prefix	Symbol			
$1,000,000,000 = 10^9$	giga	G			
$1,000,000 = 10^6$	mega	M			
$1,000 = 10^3$	kilo	k			
$0.01 = 10^{-2}$	centi	c			
$0.001 = 10^{-3}$	milli	m			
$0.000001 = 10^{-6}$	micro	μ			
$0.000000001 = 10^{-9}$	nano	n			

