

Important Diesel Engine Power Plant Formulas PDF



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with Units

List of 28 Important Diesel Engine Power Plant Formulas

1) Area of Piston given Piston Bore Formula ↻

Formula

$$A = \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \cdot B^2$$

Example with Units

$$0.1662\text{m}^2 = \left(\frac{3.1416}{4}\right) \cdot 460\text{mm}^2$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

2) Brake Mean Effective Pressure Formula ↻

Formula

$$\text{BMEP} = \eta_m \cdot \text{IMEP}$$

Example with Units

$$4.7645\text{Bar} = 0.733 \cdot 6.5\text{Bar}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

3) Brake Mean Effective Pressure given Torque Formula ↻

Formula

$$\text{BMEP} = K \cdot \tau$$

Example with Units

$$4.7584\text{Bar} = 31.5 \cdot 15.106\text{kN}\cdot\text{m}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

4) Brake Power using Break Mean Effective Pressure Formula ↻

Formula

$$P_{4b} = \frac{\text{BMEP} \cdot A \cdot L \cdot \left(\frac{N}{2}\right) \cdot N_c}{60}$$

Example with Units

$$5531.12\text{kw} = \frac{4.76\text{Bar} \cdot 0.166\text{m}^2 \cdot 600\text{mm} \cdot \left(\frac{7000\text{rad/s}}{2}\right) \cdot 2}{60}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

5) Brake Specific Fuel Consumption given Brake Power and Fuel Consumption Rate Formula ↻

Formula

$$\text{BSFC} = \frac{m_f}{P_{4b}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.2308\text{kg/h/kW} = \frac{0.355\text{kg/s}}{5537\text{kw}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻



6) Brake Thermal Efficiency of Diesel Engine Power Plant Formula

Formula

$$\text{BTE} = \frac{P_{4b}}{m_f \cdot \text{CV}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.3714 = \frac{5537 \text{ kW}}{0.355 \text{ kg/s} \cdot 42000 \text{ kJ/kg}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

7) Break Power given Bore and Stroke Formula

Formula

$$P_{4b} = \frac{\eta_m \cdot \text{IMEP} \cdot A \cdot L \cdot \left(\frac{N}{2}\right) \cdot N_c}{60}$$

Example with Units

$$5536.349 \text{ kW} = \frac{0.733 \cdot 6.5 \text{ Bar} \cdot 0.166 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 600 \text{ mm} \cdot \left(\frac{7000 \text{ rad/s}}{2}\right) \cdot 2}{60}$$

Evaluate Formula 

8) Break Power given Mechanical Efficiency and Indicated Power Formula

Formula

$$P_{4b} = \eta_m \cdot P_{4i}$$

Example with Units

$$5536.349 \text{ kW} = 0.733 \cdot 7553 \text{ kW}$$

Evaluate Formula 

9) Break Power of 2 Stroke Diesel Engine Formula

Formula

$$P_{2b} = \frac{2 \cdot \pi \cdot \tau \cdot N}{60}$$

Example with Units

$$11073.2763 \text{ kW} = \frac{2 \cdot 3.1416 \cdot 15.106 \text{ kN}^* \text{m} \cdot 7000 \text{ rad/s}}{60}$$

Evaluate Formula 

10) Break Power of 4 Stroke Diesel Engine Formula

Formula

$$P_{4b} = \frac{2 \cdot \pi \cdot \tau \cdot \left(\frac{N}{2}\right)}{60}$$

Example with Units

$$5536.6382 \text{ kW} = \frac{2 \cdot 3.1416 \cdot 15.106 \text{ kN}^* \text{m} \cdot \left(\frac{7000 \text{ rad/s}}{2}\right)}{60}$$

Evaluate Formula 

11) Friction Power of Diesel Engine Formula

Formula

$$P_f = P_{4i} - P_{4b}$$

Example with Units

$$2016 \text{ kW} = 7553 \text{ kW} - 5537 \text{ kW}$$

Evaluate Formula 

12) Indicated Power of 2 Stroke Engine Formula

Formula

$$P_{i2} = \frac{\text{IMEP} \cdot A \cdot L \cdot N \cdot N_c}{60}$$

Example with Units

$$15106 \text{ kW} = \frac{6.5 \text{ Bar} \cdot 0.166 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 600 \text{ mm} \cdot 7000 \text{ rad/s} \cdot 2}{60}$$

Evaluate Formula 



13) Indicated Power of 4 Stroke Engine Formula

Formula

$$P_{4i} = \frac{\text{IMEP} \cdot A \cdot L \cdot \left(\frac{N}{2}\right) \cdot N_c}{60}$$

Example with Units

$$7553 \text{ kW} = \frac{6.5 \text{ Bar} \cdot 0.166 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 600 \text{ mm} \cdot \left(\frac{7000 \text{ rad/s}}{2}\right) \cdot 2}{60}$$

Evaluate Formula 

14) Indicated Power using Brake Power and Friction Power Formula

Formula

$$P_{4i} = P_{4b} + P_f$$

Example with Units

$$7553 \text{ kW} = 5537 \text{ kW} + 2016 \text{ kW}$$

Evaluate Formula 

15) Mechanical Efficiency of Diesel Engine Formula

Formula

$$\eta_m = \frac{P_{4b}}{P_{4i}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.7331 = \frac{5537 \text{ kW}}{7553 \text{ kW}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

16) Mechanical Efficiency using Break Power and Friction Power Formula

Formula

$$\eta_m = \frac{P_{4b}}{P_{4b} + P_f}$$

Example with Units

$$0.7331 = \frac{5537 \text{ kW}}{5537 \text{ kW} + 2016 \text{ kW}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

17) Mechanical Efficiency using Indicated Power and Friction Power Formula

Formula

$$\eta_m = \frac{P_{4i} - P_f}{P_{4i}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.7331 = \frac{7553 \text{ kW} - 2016 \text{ kW}}{7553 \text{ kW}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

18) Overall Efficiency of Diesel Engine Power Plant Formula

Formula

$$\text{BTE} = \text{ITE} \cdot \eta_m$$

Example

$$0.3665 = 0.5 \cdot 0.733$$

Evaluate Formula 

19) Overall Efficiency or Brake Thermal Efficiency using Brake Mean Effective Pressure Formula

Formula

$$\text{BTE} = \frac{\text{BMEP} \cdot A \cdot L \cdot \left(\frac{N}{2}\right) \cdot N_c}{m_f \cdot \text{CV} \cdot 60}$$

Example with Units

$$0.371 = \frac{4.76 \text{ Bar} \cdot 0.166 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 600 \text{ mm} \cdot \left(\frac{7000 \text{ rad/s}}{2}\right) \cdot 2}{0.355 \text{ kg/s} \cdot 42000 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot 60}$$

Evaluate Formula 



20) Overall Efficiency or Brake Thermal Efficiency using Friction Power and Indicated Power Formula

Formula

$$\text{BTE} = \frac{P_{4i} - P_f}{m_f \cdot \text{CV}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.3714 = \frac{7553 \text{ kW} - 2016 \text{ kW}}{0.355 \text{ kg/s} \cdot 42000 \text{ kJ/kg}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

21) Overall Efficiency or Brake Thermal Efficiency using Mechanical Efficiency Formula

Formula

$$\text{BTE} = \frac{\eta_m \cdot P_{4i}}{m_f \cdot \text{CV}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.3713 = \frac{0.733 \cdot 7553 \text{ kW}}{0.355 \text{ kg/s} \cdot 42000 \text{ kJ/kg}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

22) Thermal Efficiency of Diesel Engine Power Plant Formula

Formula

$$\text{ITE} = \frac{\text{BTE}}{\eta_m}$$

Example

$$0.5048 = \frac{0.37}{0.733}$$

Evaluate Formula 

23) Thermal Efficiency using Friction Power Formula

Formula

$$\text{ITE} = \text{BTE} \cdot \left(\frac{P_f + P_{4b}}{P_{4b}} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.5047 = 0.37 \cdot \left(\frac{2016 \text{ kW} + 5537 \text{ kW}}{5537 \text{ kW}} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

24) Thermal Efficiency using Indicated Mean Effective Pressure and Break Mean Effective Pressure Formula

Formula

$$\text{ITE} = \text{BTE} \cdot \frac{\text{IMEP}}{\text{BMEP}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.5053 = 0.37 \cdot \frac{6.5 \text{ Bar}}{4.76 \text{ Bar}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

25) Thermal Efficiency using Indicated Power and Brake Power Formula

Formula

$$\text{ITE} = \text{BTE} \cdot \frac{P_{4i}}{P_{4b}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.5047 = 0.37 \cdot \frac{7553 \text{ kW}}{5537 \text{ kW}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

26) Thermal Efficiency using Indicated Power and Fuel Consumption Rate Formula

Formula

$$\text{ITE} = \frac{P_{4i}}{m_f \cdot \text{CV}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.5066 = \frac{7553 \text{ kW}}{0.355 \text{ kg/s} \cdot 42000 \text{ kJ/kg}}$$

Evaluate Formula 



27) Volumetric Efficiency of Diesel Engine Power Plant Formula

Formula

$$VE = \frac{V}{V_c}$$

Example with Units

$$0.78 = \frac{1.794 \text{ m}^3}{2.3 \text{ m}^3}$$

Evaluate Formula 

28) Work Done per Cycle Formula

Formula

$$W = \text{IMEP} \cdot A \cdot L$$

Example with Units

$$64.74 \text{ kJ} = 6.5 \text{ Bar} \cdot 0.166 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 600 \text{ mm}$$












Evaluate Formula 



Variables used in list of Diesel Engine Power Plant Formulas above


- **A** Piston Area (Square Meter)
- **B** Piston Bore (Millimeter)
- **BMEP** Brake Mean Effective Pressure (Bar)
- **BSFC** Brake Specific Fuel Consumption (Kilogram per Hour per Kilowatt)
- **BTE** Brake Thermal Efficiency
- **CV** Calorific Value (Kilojoule per Kilogram)
- **IMEP** Indicated Mean Effective Pressure (Bar)
- **ITE** Indicated Thermal Efficiency
- **K** Proportionality Constant
- **L** Stroke of Piston (Millimeter)
- **m_f** Fuel Consumption Rate (Kilogram per Second)
- **N** RPM (Radian per Second)
- **N_c** Number of Cylinders
- **P_{2b}** Brake Power of 2 Stroke (Kilowatt)
- **P_{4b}** Brake Power of 4 Stroke (Kilowatt)
- **P_{4i}** Indicated Power of 4 Stroke (Kilowatt)
- **P_f** Friction Power (Kilowatt)
- **P_{i2}** Indicated Power of 2 Stroke Engine (Kilowatt)
- **V** Volume of Air Induced (Cubic Meter)
- **V_c** Volume of Cylinder (Cubic Meter)
- **VE** Volumetric Efficiency
- **W** Work (Kilojoule)
- **η_m** Mechanical Efficiency
- **T** Torque (Kilonewton Meter)

Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Diesel Engine Power Plant Formulas above







- **constant(s):** pi, 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- **Measurement: Length** in Millimeter (mm)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Volume** in Cubic Meter (m³)
Volume Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Area** in Square Meter (m²)
Area Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Pressure** in Bar (Bar)
Pressure Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Energy** in Kilojoule (KJ)
Energy Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Power** in Kilowatt (kW)
Power Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Heat of Combustion (per Mass)** in Kilojoule per Kilogram (kJ/kg)
Heat of Combustion (per Mass) Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Mass Flow Rate** in Kilogram per Second (kg/s)
Mass Flow Rate Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Angular Velocity** in Radian per Second (rad/s)
Angular Velocity Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Torque** in Kilonewton Meter (kN*m)
Torque Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Specific Fuel Consumption** in Kilogram per Hour per Kilowatt (kg/h/kW)
Specific Fuel Consumption Unit Conversion 



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