AQA

Physics Equations Sheet
GCSE Physics (8463)
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HT = Higher Tier only equations

kinetic energy = 0.5 × mass × (speed)^2	$E_k = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$
elastic potential energy = 0.5 × spring constant × (extension)^2	$E_e = \frac{1}{2} k e^2$
gravitational potential energy = mass × gravitational field strength × height	$E_p = m g h$
change in thermal energy = mass × specific heat capacity × temperature change	$\Delta E = m c \Delta\theta$
power = $\frac{\text{energy transferred}}{\text{time}}$	$P = \frac{E}{t}$
power = $\frac{\text{work done}}{\text{time}}$	$P = \frac{W}{t}$
efficiency = $\frac{\text{useful output energy transfer}}{\text{total input energy transfer}}$	
efficiency = $\frac{\text{useful power output}}{\text{total power input}}$	
charge flow = current × time	$Q = I t$
potential difference = current × resistance	$V = I R$
power = potential difference × current	$P = V I$
power = (current)^2 × resistance	$P = I^2 R$
energy transferred = power × time	$E = P t$
energy transferred = charge flow × potential difference	$E = Q V$
density = $\frac{\text{mass}}{\text{volume}}$	$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$

	thermal energy for a change of state = mass × specific latent heat	$E = m\,L$
	For gases: pressure × volume = constant	$p\,V = constant$
	weight = mass × gravitational field strength	$W = m\,g$
	work done = force × distance (along the line of action of the force)	$W = F\,s$
	force = spring constant × extension	$F = k\,e$
	moment of a force = force × distance (normal to direction of force)	$M = F\,d$
	pressure = $\frac{\text{force normal to a surface}}{\text{area of that surface}}$	$p = \frac{F}{A}$
HT	**pressure due to a column of liquid = height of column × density of liquid × gravitational field strength**	$\boldsymbol{p = h\,\rho\,g}$
	distance travelled = speed × time	$s = v\,t$
	acceleration = $\frac{\text{change in velocity}}{\text{time taken}}$	$a = \frac{\Delta v}{t}$
	(final velocity)^2 – (initial velocity)^2 = 2 × acceleration × distance	$v^2 - u^2 = 2\,a\,s$
	resultant force = mass × acceleration	$F = m\,a$
HT	**momentum = mass × velocity**	$\boldsymbol{p = m\,v}$
HT	**force = $\frac{\textbf{change in momentum}}{\textbf{time taken}}$**	$\boldsymbol{F = \frac{m\,\Delta v}{\Delta t}}$
	period = $\frac{1}{\text{frequency}}$	$T = \frac{1}{f}$
	wave speed = frequency × wavelength	$v = f\,\lambda$
	magnification = $\frac{\text{image height}}{\text{object height}}$	
HT	**force on a conductor (at right angles to a magnetic field) carrying a current = magnetic flux density × current × length**	$\boldsymbol{F = B\,I\,l}$
HT	**$\frac{\textbf{potential difference across primary coil}}{\textbf{potential difference across secondary coil}} = \frac{\textbf{number of turns in primary coil}}{\textbf{number of turns in secondary coil}}$**	$\boldsymbol{\frac{V_p}{V_s} = \frac{n_p}{n_s}}$
HT	**potential difference across primary coil × current in primary coil = potential difference across secondary coil × current in secondary coil**	$\boldsymbol{V_p\,I_p = V_s\,I_s}$