# **METRIC TRAINING**

#### FOR THE TRANSPORTATION INDUSTRY

#### **MODULE II**

#### Construction and Maintenance Operations and Reporting

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#### ABSTRACT IHRB PROJECT HR-376

"Metric Training For The Highway Industry", HR-376 was designed to produce training materials for the various divisions of the Iowa DOT, local government and the highway construction industry. The project materials were to be used to introduce the highway industry in Iowa to metric measurements in their daily activities. Five modules were developed and used in training over 1,000 DOT, county, city, consultant and contractor staff in the use of metric measurements.

The training modules developed, deal with the planning through operation areas of highway transportation. The materials and selection of modules were developed with the aid of an advisory personnel from the highway industry. Each module is design as a four hour block of instruction and a stand along module for specific types of personnel. Each module is subdivided into four chapters with chapter one and four covering general topics common to all subjects. Chapters two and three are aimed at hands on experience for a specific group and subject. The modules include:

Module 1 - Basic Introduction to the Use of International Units of Measurement. This module is designed for use by all levels of personnel, primarily office staff, and provides a basic background in the use of metric measurements in both written and oral communications.

Module 2 - Construction and Maintenance Operations and Reporting. This module provides hands on examples of applications of metric measurements in the construction and maintenance field operations.

Module 3 - Road and Bridge Design. This module provides hands on examples of how to use metric measurements in the design of roads and structures.

Module 4 - Transportation Planning and Traffic Monitoring. Hands on examples of applications of metric measurements in the development of planning reports and traffic data collection are included in this module.

Module 5 - Motor Vehicle Enforcement. Examples from Iowa and Federal Motor Vehicle Codes are used as examples for hands on training for the vehicle enforcement type personnel using this module.

Each of the modules utilizes visual aids in the form of video tapes and others that can be projected by an overhead projector or through the use of computer aided methods. The course can be self administered or is best done through the use of a group session and the use of a class leader.

#### Metric Training for the Transportation Industry Module 2 - Construction & Maintenance

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## **SI Basics**

This part of the workshop will introduce you to the basics of SI Metric. Topics covered will include:

• A brief history of the metric system and SI

Unit 1 - History and SI Basics

- The seven SI base units
- Derived units
- Supplemental units
- Prefixes
- Additional units to use with SI

At the end of this unit you will have the opportunity to complete a worksheet which will help you demonstrate your grasp of the metric covered in this part of the workshop.

#### Brief Metric History

Contrary to many people's beliefs the metric system is not a "new" measurement system. The original metric system was developed in the 1670's by a French Clergyman. In 1795 France officially adopted the Metric System as their system of measurement. Even within the United States the metric system has a lengthy history. Thomas Jefferson and John Quincy Adams were early promoters of the metric system in the U.S. In fact, the metric system has been a legal measurement system in the U.S. since 1866. By 1893 all standard U.S. measures were defined in metric terms. In 1902, Congressional legislation requiring the Federal Government to use metric exclusively was defeated by just one vote. At the General Conference on Weights and Measures held in 1960, a resolution was adopted which officially named the modern version of metric measurement to be the "International System of Units", abbreviated SI.

#### Motivation to Use SI in the U.S.

In recent decades there have been several efforts to convert the U.S. from the current measurement systems to the metric or SI system. Most of those efforts have met considerable resistance from the general public. However, the metric system has slowly progressed into everyday life in the U.S. Most people are actually already familiar with many metric terms. The following listing provides some examples of "everyday metric" that are already in use in the U.S.

- ♦ light bulbs: 100 watt, 75 watt
- electric bill: 800 kWh used
- voltage ratings: 110 volts, 220 volts

- camera film: 35 mm
- beverages: 2-liter bottle of soda
- medicine: 500 mg aspirin
- nutritional label: 10 grams of fat
- athletic events: 100 meter dash, 10K run
- automobile engine sizes: 3.2 liter, 3.8 liter
- radio stations: KGGO 94.9 MHz, WOI 90.1 MHz
- ♦ skis: 225 centimeter
- time: seconds

The transition to metric usage in the U.S. has been very slow. However, there are several reasons why the U.S. should accelerate the shift to metric usage.

#### International communication and competitiveness

The myth that the U.S. is a self-sufficient, super-power country is quickly disappearing. We live in a "global" economy. In order to survive and prosper in this global economy, the U.S. must be able to easily trade and communicate with other countries. The U.S. is the only industrialized country (and one of only three countries total) in the world which does not use SI. People in other countries are not familiar with the U.S. system of measurements which makes trade and communication difficult. Trade with other countries is hampered due to the need for translation of measurements, or other countries simply refusing to purchase our non-SI designed products. If the U.S. is to maintain its leadership in the global economy it must seriously consider a rapid change to SI.

#### Increased Efficiency

Many companies are reluctant to change to SI because of the inefficiencies that will result due to time lost in learning the new system, and getting up to speed with it. In Canada, which converted to SI in the 1970's, companies have actually shown an improved efficiency due to decreased design costs and simplified dimensioning. A few U.S. firms (Otis Elevator and IBM) have also reported similar benefits.

#### Simplicity

The structure of the metric system, with base units and prefixes designating powers of 10, is a more straight forward system than the English system used in the U.S. Whether a person is discussing length (meters) or mass (kilograms) the prefix names and meanings are consistent. For example in the U.S. there are 12 inches in a foot, 3 feet in a yard, and 5280 feet in a mile. Each factor has different numbers, increasing the likelihood for error between translations. Using metric, when describing larger

distances, everything is just a power of 10: 10 mm in a cm, 1000 mm in a m, and 1000 m in a km. Due to the simplified conversions, there is less chance for mathematical errors. In addition to the simplified conversions, because of the use of prefixes with base units there are fewer "names" to learn or get confused. There are also standardized methods for writing the terms, which leads to less confusion over abbreviations.

#### Recent History of SI in the Federal Government

On July 25, 1991 President George Bush signed Executive Order 12770 which provides guidelines for departments and agencies in the Federal Government to use metric measures to the extent economically feasible by the end of fiscal year 1992 or by such other date as established in consultation with the Secretary of Commerce.

The Department of Commerce requires federal agencies to use metric and to establish target dates for full implementation of the metric system.

The Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration have established the following target dates for implementation of metric: 1994 - conversion of FHWA manuals, documents and publications, 1995 - data collection and reporting in metric, and September 30, 2000 - all Federal lands Highways and Federal-aid construction contracts must be in metric. This last date is the date which is causing the Iowa State Department of Transportation to also convert to the metric system no later than September 30, 2000. (Note: Recent legislation has shifted the date from September 30, 1996 to September 30, 2000.)

#### Units of Measure For Construction Video - Goals

Understand the base units and common prefixes Know SI seven base units Describe standard for length - meter Describe standard for mass - kilogram Learn about derived units Describe force - newton Describe pressure/stress - pascal Learn about additional units Describe temperature - degree Celsius Describe fluid volumes - liter Describe volume - m<sup>3</sup>

#### **Unit 1 - History and SI Basics**

The following pages contain an outline/guide which should be used as you view the video entitled Units of Measure. Please write any additional notes from the video directly on these sheets.

#### Units of Measure Video Outline

Le Systeme International d'Unites (The International System of Units) Metric system adopted as international standard in 1960 Commonly referred to as SI or SI Metric

## Seven Base UnitsLengthmeterMasskilogramTimesecondElectric currentampereTemperaturekelvinAmount of mattermoleLuminous intensitycandela

#### A closer look at length

#### Base Unit - meter

Definition of a meter - distance light travels in a vacuum in a time interval of 1/299,792,458 of a second

Symbol for a meter - m

#### Other length measurements used by Iowa DOT

millimeter Definition of a millimeter - 1/1000 of a meter Symbol - mm

kilometer Definition of a kilometer - 1000 meters Symbol - km

#### Area measurements

	Symbol
square meters	m <sup>2</sup>
hectare	ha
square kilometers	km <sup>2</sup>
square millimeters	<sub>mm</sub> 2

#### A closer look at mass

#### Base unit - kilogram

Definition - set by a specific physical weight (prototype) held at the International Bureau of Weights and measures

Symbol - kg

#### Other unit of mass

gram Definition - 1/1000 of a kilogram Symbol - g

#### **Derived** Units

Definition of a derived unit - a unit which is a unique combination of base (or other derived) units which identify a common phenomenon.

Listing of common derived units

frequency	hertz
force	newton
pressure	pascal
energy	joule
power	watt
quantity of electric charge	coulomb
electric potential	volt
electric capacitance	farad
electric resistance	ohm
electric conductance	siemens
magnetic flux	weber
flux density	tesla
inductance	henry
luminous flux	lumen
illumination	lux
radioactivity	becquerel
absorbed dose	gray
dose equivalent	sievert

#### A closer look at force

unit is the newton

replaces pounds-force in the English system

force = mass x acceleration newton = kilograms x meter/(square seconds)  $N = kg \cdot m/s^2$ 

Example using "approximate calculations" (acceleration is used as 10, which is a rounded number)

 $1 \text{ kg x } 10 \text{ m/s}^2 = 10 \text{ N}$ 

#### Other units of force

kilonewton Definition - 1000 newtons Symbol - kN

meganewton Definition - 1,000,000 newtons Symbol - MN

#### A closer look at pressure

#### unit is the pascal

replaces pounds per square inch (PSI) in the English system

pressure = force/area pascal = newton/(square meter)  $Pa = N/m^2$ 

Other units of pressure

kilopascal Definition - 1000 pascals Symbol - kPa

megapascal Definition - 1,000,000 pascals Symbol - MPa

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#### **Additional Units**

Units that have been approved to be used with SI, even though they are not SI units.

#### A closer look at temperature

#### degree Celsius

water freezes =  $0^{\circ}$ C  $32^{\circ}$ F water boils =  $100^{\circ}$ C  $212^{\circ}$ F

replaces Centigrade from older metric systems

room temperature =  $20^{\circ}$ C normal body temperature =  $37^{\circ}$ C

#### A closer look at volume

Liter - used for fluid volume

Definition - one cubic decimeter

Symbol - L

one liter is approximately 1 quart + 1/4 cup

Other units of volume

milliliter Definition - 1/1000 of a liter Symbol - mL

#### Other volumes (non-fluid)

	Symbol
cubic meters	m <sup>3</sup>
cubic centimeters	cm <sup>3</sup>
cubic decimeters	dm <sup>3</sup>
cubic millimeters	mm <sup>3</sup>

#### NOTES FOR IOWA DOT

1) Angular measurements do not change and remain in degrees, minutes and seconds. Even though SI standard is the radian.

2) Measurements made relative to ROW takings, railroad agreements and utility construction will be identified in both English and SI.

#### **Visualizing Metric**

#### Length

1 meter is just a little longer than a yard

1 millimeter, which is 0.001 meters, is about the width of the wire in a paper clip

Length of my hand = \_\_\_\_\_ mm or \_\_\_\_\_ m

My height = \_\_\_\_\_ mm or \_\_\_\_\_ m

Dimensions of a 8-1/2" x 11" sheet of paper = \_\_\_\_\_ mm x \_\_\_\_\_ mm

One pace for me = \_\_\_\_\_ m

#### Height Table (Converted to nearest mm)

Ht	nm	5' 1"	1549	5' 9"	1753	6' 5"	1956
4' 6"	1372	5' 2"	1575	5' 10"	1778	6' 6"	1981
4' 7"	1397	5' 3"	1600	5' 11"	1803	6' 7"	2007
4' 8"	1422	5' 4"	1626	6' 0"	1829	6' 8"	2032
4' 9"	1448	5' 5"	1651	6' 1"	1854	6' 9"	2057
4' 10"	1473	5' 6"	1676	6' 2"	1880	6' 10"	2083
4'11"	1499	5' 7"	1702	6' 3"	1905	6' 11"	2108
5' 0"	1524	5' 8"	1727	6' 4"	1930	7' 0"	2134

Mass

1 nickel (5 cents) has a mass of 5 grams

100 pounds is about 45 kilograms

A long ton is about equal to a metric tonne (t) which is equal to a megagram (Mg).

My mass = \_\_\_\_\_ kg

#### Mass table (Converted to nearest 0.1 kg)

wt(lb)	kg	130	59.0	190	86.2	250	113.4
75	34.0	135	61.2	195	88.5	255	115.7
80	36.3	140	63.5	200	90.7	260	117.9
85	38.6	145	65.8	205	93.0	265	120.2
90	40.8	150	68.0	210	95.3	270	122.5
95	43.1	155	70.3	215	97.5	275	124.7
100	45.4	160	72.6	220	99.8	280	127.0
105	47.6	165	74.8	225	102.1	285	129.3
110	49.9	170	77.1	230	104.3	290	131.5
115	52.2	175	79.4	235	106.6	295	133.8
120	54.4	180	81.6	240	108.9	300	136.1
125	56.7	185	83.9	245	111.1		

#### Temperature

Degree Celsius	<u>Equals</u>
177 ·	350 degree oven
100	Water boils (212)
37	Normal body temperature of 98.6
22	room temperature (72)
10	spring or fall day (50)
0	Water freezes (32)
-12	Typical Iowa winter temperature (10)
-18 .	Zero degrees Fahrenheit (0)
-30	Frigid winter night in Iowa (-22)

#### Pressure

Auto tire pressure of 28 (PSI) equals roughly 200 000 Pa or 200 kPa or 0.2 MPa

#### Area

A hectare is about 2.5 acres. A square mile is about 2.5 square kilometers.

#### Volume

A quart is a little smaller than a liter.

1 teaspoon is about 5 mL.

A cement mixer truck holds about 7 cubic meters of ready-mix concrete (about 9 cubic yards). A typical straight truck holds about 8.5 cubic meters of gravel (about 11.5 cubic yards).

#### Worksheet Review

- 1. Which of the following metric units is used to express fluid volume?
  - A. liter
  - B. cubic centimeter
  - C. pascal
  - D. hectare

2. Which unit of measuring temperature would be used in construction situations?

- A. degree Fahrenheit
- B. degree Centigrade
- C. kelvin
- D. degree Celsius

3. Newton replaces which unit in the English system?

- A. pounds per square inch
- B. pound force
- C. pounds per cubic inch
- D. pound mass

4. Iowa DOT drawings should use which of the following units? (Circle all that apply.)

- A. meter
- B. centimeter
- C. millimeter
- D. megameter

5. On the Celsius scale, water freezes at what temperature?

- A. 32°C
- B. 100°C
- C. 0°C
- D. 0 K

6. Which SI metric unit listed here would be appropriate to use for expressing the volume of concrete or fill?

- A. cubic decimeter
- B. cubic meter
- C. liter
- D. ton

7. Which of the following is the same as 200 meters?

- A. 0.02 km
- B. 2 km
- C. 0.2 km
- D. 20 km

#### Worksheet Review

8. Which is the same as 3 meters?

- 0.03 km Α.
- 3000 mm B.
- C. 300 mm 0.3 km
- D.

9. Which of the following represents the longest length?

- Α. 3.0 m
- 450 mm B.
- 0.05 km С.
- D. 20.0 cm

10. SI refers to:

- Α. The system interfaces necessary to implement metric in computers.
- The internationally accepted metric system used today. Β.
- The governing organization that establishes metric rules and policies. С.
- D. The international strategies that created the first metric system.

11. On the moon, acceleration of a falling object caused by gravity is about 1.7 m/s<sup>2</sup>. Using the proper metric unit, what is the gravity force of a two kilogram object?

- Α. 3.4 pascals
- 1.7 pascals B.
- 3.4 newtons C.
- D. 1.7 newtons

12. Which SI unit replaces PSI in the English measurement system?

- kg/m<sup>2</sup> Α.
- Β. N
- С. Pa
- D.  $N \cdot m$

## Estimating

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## Unit 2 - SI Applications in Construction Estimating Activities

This part of the workshop will provide a brief introduction to the basic of converting measurements from English units to SI Metric. The majority of the time in this unit will be dedicated to working sample conversion and SI metric construction problems. Topics covered will include:

- Hard vs. Soft Conversion
- Use of Conversion Tables
- SI Construction Estimation Problems

#### **Types of Conversions**

#### Hard Metric Conversion

original design done in metric (use metric standards)

steps required:

calculate measurement in metric (use conversion factors if "thinking" in English) select a preferred metric dimension that meets design performances needed

Example: to design a product that needs a bolt.... if this was originally designed in English units you would have selected a 3/4" x 4" hex cap bolt. Determine what standard metric bolt you will want to use in this new metric design.

First determine "equivalent" diameter 1 inch = 25.4 mm  $3/4" \Rightarrow (3/4)(25.4) = .75(25.4) = 19.05$  mm closest common (standard) metric diameter screw is 20 mm called an M20

Next determine "equivalent" length

1 inch = 25.4 mm  $4'' \Rightarrow 4(25.4) = 101.6$  mm closest common (standard) metric length is 100 mm

Metric screw to use would be M20 x 100

#### Soft Metric Conversion

original design in English (use English Standards)

steps required:

use conversion factors to translate English unit to metric measurement round measurement to intended precision examples:

if English design calls for 1 lb use conversion factor and specify 454g (0.454 kg) if English design calls for 1 qt use conversion factor and specify 0.9463 L

#### **Conversion Factors**

When converting English units to SI units you will need to use conversion factors. Conversion tables can come in many different formats. For this workshop we will be using conversion tables that look like this:

<u>Ouantity</u>	From	То	Multiply by
Length	ft	m	0.3048
•	in	m	25.4 x 10 <sup>-3</sup>
	yd <sup>.</sup>	m	0.9144
Mass	ĺbm	kg	0.4536

#### EXAMPLES:

A. Convert 1000 yards to meters using the conversion table above:

1000 yards x 0.9144 meters/yard = 914.4 meters

B. Convert 5'7" to SI units

First convert 5' to inches... must have all one unit only to convert

So 5 x 12 = 60" plus the 7" == 67"

Now convert the 67" to meters

67 inches x 25.4 x  $10^{-3}$  m/inch = 1.7018 m => 1.7 m

#### **Construction Estimation Problems**

A. Viewing the cover sheet of the US 75, Sioux County construction plans:1. What is the total length of the project in meters, or kilometers?

2. What is the total length of the project if it was to be extended to the east boundary of Section 25?



- B. A portion of the typical section shown on page B.03 of the Sioux County plans is attached for reference in the calculations for the next three questions.
  - 1. What is the volume of concrete materials to be placed between the stations shown in Plate 2211?

2. Utilizing Plate 2209, calculate the volume of special backfill material to be placed?

3. Calculate the volume of granular subbase materials to be placed according to the information provided in Plate 2211?



#### Unit 2 - SI Applications in Construction Estimating Activities

C. Utilizing the Estimated Project Quantities, Plate 100-1B in the Sioux County plans and your current knowledge of construction prices, estimate the cost of each item and the total project cost?

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For Additional Estimate Ref. Info. Refer to Sheet No. C.O2

For Standard Notes Refer to Sheet No. C.02

For Traffic Control Plan Refer to Sheet No. C.03

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For Pollution Prevention Plan Refer to Sheet No. C.03

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### **Field Construction**

Unit 3 - SI Applications in Field Construction Activities 

This part of the workshop will provide a participants with a chance to work through sample conversion problems related to field construction activities.

A. An 8 cubic meter truck load of concrete is to be batched using the Iowa DOT C-4WR-C mix shown in the following table. What is the total mass and volume of each material used in the load?

SSD Weights_		Unit Volume	Density	Batch Mass
Cement	229 kg	0.10 m <sup>3</sup>	298.6 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	299 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Fly Ash	54 kg	0.02 m <sup>3</sup>	54.0 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	54 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Water	204 kg	0.20 m <sup>3</sup>	204.5 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	171 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Fine Aggregate	822 kg	0.31 m <sup>3</sup>	822.0 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	847 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Coarse Aggregat	te 819 kg	0.31 m <sup>3</sup>	818.9 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	827 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Water Reducer	691 ml	0.00 m <sup>3</sup>	0.0 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	691 ml
Air	6.00%	<u>0.06 m</u> 3	<u>0.0 kg/m<sup>3</sup></u>	6.00%
		1.00 m3	2197.9 kg/m3	

B. The End of Project Station (English) shown on an "as built" plan is 149+15.75.

1. Convert this station to international units to begin the next project as the BOP Station.

2. Express the information expressed in part 1 as a station equation

#### Unit 3 - SI Applications in Field Construction Activities

C. Using the attached reinforcing steel bar information sheet, determine the metric total weight (mass) of the following list of bars?

1. 10 each 10M bars, 7.8 m in length

2. 8 each 30M bars, 9.2 m in length

3. 15 each 45M bars, 6.5 m in length

4. What is the difference in diameter and cross section area between the 15M and 55M bar?

D. You are purchasing right of way for construction. The area to be purchased is 9 m wide and 30.25 m in length. How many hectares will you purchase?

E. After working in the sun your body attains a temperature of 40 °C. Should you consult a doctor?

#### ASTM A615 CHART FOR REINFORCING STEEL BARS

Inch-Pound	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Nominal Dimensions				
Bar Size Designation	Nominal Weight Ib./ft. (kg/m)	Diameter in. (mm)	Cross Sectional Area in <sup>2</sup> (mm <sup>2</sup> )			
#3	0.376 (.560)	0.375 (9.5)	0.11 (71)			
#4	0.668 (.994)	0.500 (12.7)	0.20 (129)			
#5	1.043 (1.552)	0.625 (15.9)	0.31 (200)			
#6	1.502 (2.235)	0.750 (19.1)	0.44 (284)			
#7	2.044 (3.042)	0.875 (22.2)	0.60 (387)			
#8	2.670 (3.974)	1.000 (25.4)	0.79 (510)			
#9	3.400 (5.060)	1.128 (28.7)	1.00 (645)			
#10	4.303 (6.404)	1.270 (32.3)	1.27 (819)			
#11	5.313 (7.907)	1.410 (35.8)	1.56 (1006)			
#14	7.65 (11.39)	1.693 (43.0)	2.25 (1452)			
#18	13.60 (20.24)	2.257 (57.3)	4.00 (2581)			

ASTM A615M CHART FOR REINFORCING STEEL BARS							
Metric		Nominal Dimensions					
Bar Size Designation	Nominal Mass kg/m	Diameter mm	Cross Sectional Area mm <sup>2</sup>	Comparison To A615			
10M	0.785	11.3	100	20% < #4			
15M	1.570	16.0	200	SAME AS #5			
20M	2.355	19.5	300	6.8% > #6			
25M	3.925	25.2	500	1.3% < #8			
30M	5.495	29.9	700	9% > #9			
35M	7.850	35.7	1000	0.6% < #11			
45M	11.775	43.7	1500	3.5% > #14			
55M	19.625	56.4	2500	.3% < #18			

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F. A 9 cubic meter truck load of construction materials (density of 314 kg/m<sup>3</sup>) has a mass of \_\_\_\_\_\_ Mg.

G. The horizontal scale on your construction plans is 1:250. What distance is associated with 36 mm on the plans?

H. White pigmented curing compound is to be applied at a minimum rate of 0.5 L/m<sup>2</sup>. How many liters are required for 1 km of 7.2 m wide pavement?

I. Express the following sieve measurements as a meter decimal form. 1. 75  $\mu m$ 

2. 600 μm

3. 2.36 mm

J. Asphalt continuous mix pugmill mixing times are calculated from the following equation:

Mix time (s) = pugmill contents (kg)/pugmill output (kg/s) The project pugmill has a capacity of 120,120 g and an output rate of 2.86 kg/s. What is the mixing time?

K. Compute the quality index for a sample lot of asphaltic concrete that has an average thickness of 78 mm, minimum thickness of 70 mm, maximum thickness of 84 mm and a design thickness of 76.2 mm using the following equation.

QI(mm)=[average thickness-(design thickness-12.7)]/[maximum thickness-minimum thickness]

L. Maintenance is applying a sealcoat and the supervisor wants to order cover aggregate to treat the surface at a rate of 16 kg/square meter. How many Mg should be ordered for an area 1.00 km in length and 6.00 m wide?

M. Granular surfacing 150 mm in depth is required for a temporary driveway, 0.5 km in length, and 5 m wide. How may cubic meters of material should be ordered?

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N. The water cement ratio for a bridge deck project (D-57) concrete is established at a maximum of 0.437 kg water/kg of cement.

1. The contractor mixed 1400 g of water with 4.00 kg of cement. Should you accept the mix?

2. Will your decision change if 800 g of water is added to the mix at the construction site?

O. A formwork live load (vertical) for concrete with a density of 2400 kg/m<sup>3</sup> is being designed for a bridge deck of 305 mm in depth. What is the load due to the concrete per square meter of supporting formwork?

P. Rigid pipe culverts require 50 mm of sand cushion for type "B" bedding and a shaped concave saddle to a depth of 15% of the pipe diameter. A 600 mm diameter pipe is to be placed. How deep (mm) must the saddle be to accommodate the sand and craddle requirements?

Q. A metric concrete pipe extension (downstream end) is desired for attachment to a 30 inch diameter pipe. What diameter metric pipe will be required for this purpose?

#### Metric Concrete Pipe Sizes (From ASTM C14 M and ASTM C76 M)

Allowable Dimensions					
Metric Size	Minimum	Maximum	English Equivalent		
<u></u>		<u>mm</u>	inches		
100	100	110	4		
150	150	160	6		
200	200	210	8		
250	250	260	10		
300	300	310	12		
.375	375	390	15		
450	450	465	18		
525	525	545	21		
600	600	620	24		
675	675	695	27		
750	750	775	30		
825	825	850	33		
900	900	925	36		
1050	1050	1080	42		
1200	1200	1230	48		
1350	1350	1385	54		
1500	1500	1540	60		
1650	1650	1695	66		
1800	1800	1850	72		
1950	1950	2000	78		
2100	2100	2155	84		
2250	2250	2310	90		
2400	2400	2465	96		
2550	2550	2620	102		
2700	2700	2770	108		
_ 2850	2850	2925	- 114		
3000	3000	3080	120		
3150	3150	3235	126		
3300	3300	3390	132		
3450	3450	3540	138		
. 3600	3600	3695	144		

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#### Unit 3 - SI Applications in Field Construction Activities

R. An existing cross road pipe, 120 ft. in length, is to be replaced. What metric length of pipe should the engineer order for this purpose?

S. What is the minimum length of horizontal curve radius required for a vehicle design speed of 110 km/hr with a maximum superelevation rate of 8% and a assumed friction factor of 0.10.

R m (minimum)= $V^2/127[(e \text{ maximum}/100)+f \text{ maximum}]$ 

T. Compute the length of spiral required for the curve developed in question S.

 $L m = 0.0702(V^3)/RC$  Given C=1

U. Embankment layers can be deposited in layers up to 200 mm in loose thickness. A fill 21 meters in height is to be constructed. How many layers would be required if the material is assumed to have a 0.0% shrinkage factor?

## **Record Keeping**

This part of the workshop will introduce you to the basic reading and writing rules of SI Metric and some of the standard conventions used in the Iowa DOT. Following these few simple rules will make it easier for us to understand each other, and lessen the chance for errors or misinterpretation. Topics covered will include:

Unit 4 - SI Applications in Record Keeping.

- Proper notation
- Prefixes
- Spacing
- Capitalization
- Spelling
- Singular/Plurals
- Decimal markers
- Powers of ten

- Separating digits
- Intended Precision
- Rounding
- Estimating

At the end of this unit you will have the opportunity to complete a worksheet which will help you demonstrate your grasp of the metric concepts covered in this part of the workshop.

The following pages contain an outline/guide which was extracted from a video entitled SI Metric: Reading, Writing, Rules. Although you will not be viewing this video as part of this workshop, the information in the outline may be helpful to you in the future.

#### Reading, Writing, Rules Video Outline

#### Reasons for correct usage

avoid mistakes

eliminate need for translation

#### SI Symbols

most are lower case

exceptions - when the symbol is derived from a proper name

no periods - these are not abbreviations!

no plurals or "s" on symbols

unit names	symbols
meter	m,
kilogram	kg
newton	N
pascal	Pa
square meter	m <sup>2</sup>
cubic meter	m <sup>3</sup>
liter	L
degree Celsius	°C

#### Prefixes

no space between prefix and unit

no hyphen between prefix and unit

all prefixes below 1,000,000 (mega) have lower case symbols all prefixes from mega and above the prefixes are uppercase symbols

never mix with abbreviations

examples:

name	<u>symbol</u>		
kilogram	kg		
meganewton	MN		
kilopascal	kPa		
#### **Prefixes continued:**

only one prefix allowed

No -- kMN or Mmm

#### Spelling, Capitalizing, and Plurals

Unit names when written out are all lower case... even those derived from proper names such as pascal and newton. The only exception is degree Celsius

In the U.S. use meter and liter (not metre and litre)

Plural may use an optional "s" don't need it

kilogram or kilograms

between the prefix and the unit: no separation (not milli meter) no hyphens (not milli-meter)

millimeter is correct

degree Celsius

degrees Celsius

For area or volumes.... square and cubic are written first in name, but shown as an exponent in symbol

name	symbol
square meter	m <sup>2</sup>
cubic meter	m <sup>3</sup>

(Not meters square)

#### Spacing

leave a space between the numerical value and the SI unit symbol

Examples:

35 mm

7.63 kPa

NOTE: The video is wrong when it discusses degrees Celsius. There is NOT a space between the numeric value and the degree symbol.

Example:

Wrong ---- 37 °C Correct --- 37 °C

#### **Obsolete** Metric

<u>Old</u>	Correct SI
10 <b>K</b>	10 km
K <sup>·</sup>	kg
КРН	km/h
kilos	kilograms
grm or gm	g
Newton	newton
cc, ccm	cm <sup>3</sup>

#### Unit 4 - SI Applications in Record Keeping

#### Decimal Points, Commas, and Groups of Three

if number is a decimal less than 1, use a leading "0" (Example: 0.1234)

outside of the U.S. many people use a comma instead of a period to indicate the decimal point. this can be confusing

1.33 US = 1,33 Outside US

rather than grouping every three numbers with a comma, as we do in the US, SI uses a small space

old US English system	1,365,020.034589
SI system (using decimal point)	1 365 020.034 589

group all numbers in three except when it is only a four digit number

Correct: 4567.987 Incorrect: 4567.987

NOTE: The Iowa DOT will continue to use the standard English system method of grouping. The period will still be used for the decimal point, and commas will be used to separate every three digits.

#### Powers of Ten

sometimes people prefer to represent values as powers of ten of the base unit rather than using the prefixes

#### **Examples:**

power of 10 representation	equivalent SI prefix
123.4 x 10 <sup>-3</sup> m	123.4 mm
12.34 x 10 <sup>6</sup> N	12.34 MN
1.234 x 10 <sup>3</sup> Pa	1.234 kPa

#### **Intended Precision**

"What does the number really reflect, and how will it be used"

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Example of a quart of oil
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1 qt = 0.9463529 L
however, when you add oil to your car... would substitute 1L for 1 qt
(you are not going to measure to 0.0000001 L to get 0.9463529L)
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All conversions must reflect an intended precision of the original quantity which can be implied by significant digits (and/or tolerance)

Examples:

1.54 quarts has 3 significant digits intended precision is +/- one-half of the last significant digit 1.54 ..... +/- 0.005 1.535 ... 1.54 ... 1.545 (true measurement somewhere between 1.535 and 1.545) probable intended precision range number between given number 5.135 ... 5.145 5.14 +/- 0.005 645.1165 ... 645.1175 +/- 0.0005 645.117 +/- 0.5 9.5 ... 10.5 10. 9 ... 11 +/- 1 10

Be cautious with decimals... could represent fractions and mislead you on the number of significant digits. For example: 3.1875 could mean 3.1875 or 3-3/16. Would have different "intended precision" with these two.

Be cautious of numbers with no decimal places... "5" could mean approximately 5 or could mean 5,0000

Knowledge of the circumstances related to the measurement are important understand accuracy of measuring equipment

origination of the measurement

purpose of the original measurement

purpose of the conversion

(all of the above give you information about the intended precision)

#### **Rounding Rules**

If number after last significant digit to be saved is less than 5, drop the numbers

4.763534 round to 2 after decimal place = 4.76 234.8732 round to 3 after the decimal place = 234.873 87632 round to nearest hundred = 87600

If the number after last significant digit to be saved is greater than 5, add one to last number

4.763534 round to 1 after the decimal place = 4.8234.8732 round to 1 after the decimal place = 234.987632 round to nearest thousand = 88000 If the number after the last significant digit to be saved is exactly equal to 5 (with nothing after it) then

... Make the number an even number.....

If the last significant digit is odd... round up If the last significant digit is even... do nothing (drop 5)

476.55 round to 1 after decimal = 476.6445.25 round to 1 after decimal = 445.2

#### **Importance of Estimating**

When doing conversion calculations, it is easy to hit the wrong key on the calculator therefore it is important to do two things:

1) double check the answer (punch the numbers again) to see if you get the same answer 2) verify your answer using estimations and common sense

For example if you are converting 25 miles per hour to kilometers per hour....

Your answer should be 25 x 1.609 = 40.225 km/h => 40 km/h

However if you typed 16.09 instead of 1.609 your answer would say 402.25 or 402 km/h

When you get your answer stop and think... use your visualizing metric rules of thumb, does the answer seem logical???

We know that a kilometer is a little more than half a mile (about .6). Therefore in the same amount of time (one hour) we would expect to go almost twice as many kilometers as miles (or 50). An answer of 402 is obviously not the correct. The correct answer of 40 is reasonable.

The more familiar you become with SI metric units, the easier it will be for you to recognize when you have made a mathematical error. Until then... double check your work!

#### Worksheet Review

- 1. What is the correct symbol for megapascals?
  - A. Mpa
  - B. MPa
  - C. mPa
  - D. mPA

2. What is the correct symbol for cubic millimeter?

- A. cu. mm.
- B. mm<sup>3</sup>
- C. cmm
- D. mm <sup>3</sup>

3. Which of the following is not a correct SI plural?

- A. 44.65 m
- B. 5.4 kilopascal
- C. Eighteen cubic millimeters
- D. 149 MNs

4. Which of the following is the correct representation of temperature in degree Celsius?

- A. 42.5°c
- B. 42.5 °C
- C. 42.5 °c
- D. 42.5°C

5. Which of the following is correct?

- A. 19mm<sup>3</sup>
- B. 448 cmm
- C. 18 Mn
- D. 55.7 kPa

6. Which of these expressions is a proper expression for kilometers per hour?

- A. 75 KPH
- B. 75 Km/H
- C. 75 km/h
- D. 75 km/hr

7. Which of the following expressions is equivalent to  $1 \times 10^4$  square millimeters?

- A.  $10\ 000\ mm^2$
- B. 1000 mm<sup>2</sup>
- C. 0.0001 mm<sup>2</sup>
- D.  $0.001 \text{ mm}^2$

#### Worksheet Review

8. Which of the following pairs of symbols and unit names is correct?

Α.	17 MPa	17 Megapascals.
B.	3434.6 N	3434.6 Newtons
С.	1.67 kg	1.67 kilograms
D.	2.3 mm	2.3 milli-meters

9. Which of the following is a correct sentence for temperature?

- A. The temperature outside was ten Degrees Celsius.
- B. The temperature outside was ten degrees celsius.
- C. The temperature outside was ten degrees Celsius.
- D. The temperature outside was ten Degrees celsius.

10. Which of the following is correct?

- A. .78 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- B. 3.9 L's
- C. 4.539 KPa
- D. 3.87 ha

#### 11. Round the following numbers as specified

a) 34.876	Round to 2 after decimal place
b) 87.565	2 after decimal place
c) 1234	10's place
d) 876.52	whole number
e) 0.2347	3 after decimal place

**SI Metric Tables** 

#### SI Base Units

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Quantity	Name	Symbol
length	meter	m
mass	kilogram	kg
time	second	S
electric current	ampere	Α
temperature	kelvin	K
amount of substance	mole	mol
luminous intensity	candela	d

#### SI Supplementary Units

Quantity	Name	Symbol
plane angle	radian	rad
solid angle	steradian	Sr

#### SI Derived Units with Special Names

Quantity	Name	Symbol	In terms of Other Units
frequency	hertz	Hz	s <sup>-1</sup>
force	newton	N	kg·m·s <sup>-2</sup>
pressure, stress	pascal	Pa	N/m <sup>2</sup>
energy, work	joule	J	N⋅m
power	watt	W	J/s
electric charge	coulomb	С	s·A
electric potential	volt	V	W/A
capacitance	farad	F	C/V
electric resistance	ohm	Ω	V/A
electrical conductance	siemens	S	A/V
magnetic flux	weber	Wb	V·s
magnetic flux density	tesla	Т	Wb/m <sup>2</sup>
inductance	henry	н	Wb/A
luminous flux	lumen	lm	cd·sr
illuminance	lux	lx	lm/m <sup>2</sup>
activity (radio)	becquerel	Bq	s <sup>-1</sup>
absorbed dose	gray	Gy	J/kg
dose equivalent	sievert	Sv	J/kg

Quantity	Name	Symbol	In terms of Base Units
temperature	degree Celsius	°C	K (t <sup>o</sup> C=t K - 273.15)
volume	liter	L	10 <sup>-3</sup> m <sup>3</sup>
mass	tonne (metric ton)	t	10 <sup>3</sup> kg
time	minute	min	60 s
time	hour	h	3600 s
time	day	d	86 400 s
angle	degree	0	$(\pi/180)$ rad
angle	minute	t	$(\pi/10800)$ rad
angle	second	11	(π/648000) rad
area	hectare	ha	$100 \text{m} \times 100 \text{m}$ or $10^4 \text{m}^2$

#### Acceptable Units to Use with SI Units

#### **Commonly Used Prefixes**

Multiple of 10	Prefix	Symbol
$1\ 000\ 000\ 000 = 10^9$	giga	G
$1\ 000\ 000 = 10^6$	mega	Μ
$1\ 000 = 10^3$	kilo	k
$0.001 = 10^{-3}$	milli	m
$0.000\ 001 = 10^{-6}$	micro	μ
$0.000\ 000\ 001 = 10^{-9}$	nano	n

#### **Additional Prefixes**

Multiple of 10	Prefix	Symbol
10 <sup>24</sup>	yotto	Y
10 <sup>21</sup>	zetta	Z
10 <sup>18</sup>	exa	E
10 <sup>15</sup>	peta	P
10 <sup>12</sup>	tera	Т
10 <sup>2</sup>	hecto	h
10 <sup>1</sup>	deka	da
10-1	deci	d
10-2	centi	с
10-12	pico	р
_10 <sup>-15</sup>	femto	f
10-18	atto	a
10-21	zepto	Z
10-24	yocto	y

#### **Conversion Factors: English to SI Metric**

Quantity	From English	To SI Metric	Multiply by:
	Unit:	Unit:	
length	mile	km	1.609347
	yard	m	0.9144
	foot	m	0.3048006 (See note)
	inch	mm	25.4
area	square mile	km <sup>2</sup>	2.5989998
	acre	m <sup>2</sup>	4047
	acre	hectare	0.4046873
	square yard	m <sup>2</sup>	0.8361274
	square foot	m <sup>2</sup>	0.09290304
	square inch	mm <sup>2</sup>	645.16
volume	acre foot	m <sup>3</sup>	1233
	cubic yard	m <sup>3</sup>	0.7645549
	cubic foot	m <sup>3</sup>	0.02831685
	cubic foot	L	28.32
	100 board feet	m <sup>3</sup>	0.2360
	gallon	L	3.785412
	cubic inch	cm <sup>3</sup>	16.39
	cubic inch	mm <sup>3</sup>	16387.06
	fluid ounce	milliliter	29.57353
mass	lb	kg	0.4535924
	kip (1000 lb)	metric ton	0.4536
	ton (2000 lb)	megagram	0.9071847
	ounce	gram	28.34952
force	lb	N	4.448
	kip	kN	4.448
pressure, stress	pound per sq. ft (psf)	Pa	47.88
	pound per sq. inch (psi)	kPa	6.895
bending moment or torque	ft-lb	N∙m	1.356
density	lb per cubic yard	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.5933
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velocity	ft/s	m/s	0.3048
	mph	m/s	0.4470
	mph	km/h	1.609
power	ton (refridg)	kW	3.517
	BTU/h	W	0.2931
	hp (electric)	W	745.7
volume flow rate	cubic ft per sec.	m <sup>3</sup> /s	0.02832
	cfm	m <sup>3</sup> /s	0.0004719
	cfm	L/s	0.4719
angles	degree	radian	0.01745329
temperature	٥F	°C	( <i>t</i> °F-32)/1.8

Note: 39.37 inch = 1 m (For US Survey foot, 12 inches per foot)

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Answers

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#### Metric Training for the Transportation Industry Module 2 - Construction & Maintenance Answers

Unit 1

1. A – liter
2. D - Degree Celsius
3. B - Pound force
4. A - meter and C millimeter
5.C - 0°C
6. B - cubic meter
7. C - 0.2 km
8. B - 3000 mm
9. C - 0.05 km
10. B - Metric system used today
11. C - 34 N
12 C - Pa

#### Unit 2 - A

Total Project Length	
Div.   Sta 2269.50	Div II Sta 2350.00
- Sta 243.84	2269.50
2025.66	80.50
1. Total Length = 2025	.66+80.50 = 2106.16 m
2. Revised Length	
approximately 2.5 r	niles added
2.5 ml x 1.609 km/n	ai = 4.0225 km

2106.16 + 4022.50 = 6128.66 m

Unit 2 - B

1. Concrete volume Plate 2211 Sta 2269.50 -Sta 243.66 m 2025.66 m x 8.2 m x 0.250 m = 4151.60 m<sup>3</sup>

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2. Special Backfill Volume Plate 2209 Sta 2350.00 -Sta 2269.50 80.50 m x11.4 m x 0.300 m = 275.31 m<sup>3</sup>

#### Unit 2 - B

3. Granular Subbase - Volume Plate 2211 Sta 2269.50 -Sta 243.84 2025.66 m Vol = (2025.66 m)[(0.15 m x 10.2 m)+ (2 x 0.5 x 0.15 m x 0.15 m)] = 2025.66 m [ (1.53 + 0.0225)m<sup>2</sup>] = 3144.83 m<sup>3</sup>

#### Unit 2 - C

Bid prices will vary with individual area.

Unit 3

A. Mass a	nd Volui	ne of each	material	
Material	Batch	Truck	Batch	Truck
	Mass	Mass	Vol.	Vol.
Cement	229 x 8	= 1832kg	0.10 x 8	= 0.80 m³
Fly Ash	54 x 8	= 432 kg	0.02 x 8	i = 0.16 m <sup>3</sup>
Water	204 x 8	= 1632 kg	0.20 x 8	i = 1.60 m <sup>3</sup>
Fine Agg.	822 x 8	= 6576 kg	0.31 x 8	3 = 2.48 m <sup>3</sup>
Coar.Agg.	. 819 x 8	= 6552 kg	0.31 x 8	3 = 2.48 m <sup>3</sup>
Water Rec	ducer		- 1	' see note
Air	-		0.06 x 8	$= 0.48 \text{ m}^3$
		17,024 kg		8.00 m <sup>3</sup>

Note: water reducer vol = 691 ml x 8 = 5528 ml

#### Metric Training for the Transportation Industry Module 2 - Construction & Maintenance Answers

#### Unit 3

B. BOP Station 1. 14915.75 ft x 12 in/ft x 1 m/39.37 in = 4546.33 m 2. Sta 45 + 46.33 (m) = Sta 149 + 15.75 (E) C. Metric Bars 1. 10 x 7.8 m x 0.785 kg/m = 61.23 kg 2. 8 x 9.2 m x 5.495 kg/m = 404.43 kg 3. 16 x 6.5 m x 11.775 kg/m = 1148.06 kg 4. Dia 55 M = 56.4 mm Area 55M = 2500 mm<sup>2</sup> Dia 15 M = 16.0 mm Area 15M = \_200 mm<sup>2</sup> Difference= 40.4 mm = 2300 mm<sup>2</sup>

#### Unit 3

D. ROW Area 9.0 m x 30.25 m = 272.25 m<sup>2</sup> 272.25 m<sup>2</sup> / 10000 (m<sup>2</sup>/ha) = 0.027 ha

E. Temperature (40°C x 1.8) + 32 = 104°F Yes

- F. Truck Mass 9 m<sup>3</sup> x 314 kg/m<sup>3</sup> = 2826 kg = 2.83 Mg
- G. Scale 250 x 36 mm = 9000 mm = 9 m

#### Unit 3

H. Curing Compound 1000 m x 7.2 m x 0.5 L/m<sup>2</sup> = 3600 L

I. Sieve sizes

1. 0.000075

2. 0.000600

3. 0.00236

J. Pugmili mix time 120.12 kg/(2.86 kg/s) = 42 s

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Unit 4

1) B	11 a) 34.88
2) B	b) 87.56
3) D	c) 1230
4) D	d) 877
5) D	e) 0.235
6) C	-
7) A	
8) C	
9) C	
10) D	

# Introduction to SI Metric Module 2

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## **Workshop Overview**

- + Unit 1 History and SI Basics
- Unit 2 SI Applications in Construction Estimating
- Unit 3 SI Applications in Field
   Construction
- + Unit 4 Record Keeping

# Why Use SI Metric?

- To join the global marketplace (only 3 countries don't use SI metric)
- + We already use many SI units
- International communication
- International competitiveness
- + Simplicity / Efficiency



 Sept. 30, 2000 - all highway/lands receiving federal aid must be bid, designed, & constructed using SI

## **SI Basics**

**Topics Covered** 

- Seven base units of SI
- Derived units
- Supplemental units
- Prefixes

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+ Additional units to use with SI

# **SI Base Units**

Quantity Symbol Name length meter m kilogram kg mass time second S electric current ampere Α temperature kelvin K amount of matter mole mol candela cd **luminous** intensity

## **Mass versus Weight**

We are familiar with "weight" We say... "I weigh 130 pounds" Pounds are actually units of force ( $lb_f$ ) Force = mass x acceleration of gravity Acceleration due to gravity varies Easiest diet ... move to the moon! Even though I have the same body, I weigh less (about 1/5 as much).

# Mass versus Weight (cont.)

## **English**

 $Ib_f = Ib_m \times 32.2$  (where 32.2 ft/s<sup>2</sup> is common acceleration of gravity)

## **SI Metric**

## newtons = kilograms x 9.806 (where 9.806 m/s<sup>2</sup> is common acceleration of gravity)

# Mass versus Weight (cont.)

To ease the "transition"... conversion tables will list "from pounds force" to "kilograms"

# **SI Supplementary Units**

Quantity	Name	Symbol
plane angle	radian	rad
solid angle	steradian	sr

Note: Iowa DOT will continue to use degrees for surveying. However, other angular measurements will likely be in radians.

## **SI Derived Units**

- A combination of base units and prefixes
- Example: meters per second = m/s
- Some derived units have special names (Ex: newtons => force)
- + See table in handout for a listing

## **Other Acceptable Units**

Quantity	Name	Symbol
temperature	degree Celsius	°C
volume	liter	L
mass	tonne(metric ton)	t
angle	degree	Ο
angle	minute	6
angle	second	"

## **Other Acceptable Units**

Quantity	Name	Symbol
time	minute	min
time	hour	h
time	day	d
area	hectare	ha

Note: hectare is shortened from square hectometer . Hecto is prefix for 100... so a hectare is 100 m by 100 m

## **Common Prefixes**

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Prefix	Symbol	Power of 10
giga	G	10 <sup>9</sup>
mega	M	10 <sup>6</sup>
kilo	k	<b>10</b> <sup>3</sup>
milli	m	10-3
micro	μ	<b>10</b> -6
nano	n	<b>10</b> -9

## **Prefix Example Conversions**

	1000 n	nm = 1 m		
	1000 n	n = 1 km	So for example	
	1 km x	1 <u>000 m</u> x1(	000 mm =1,000,000 mm	
		1 km	1 m	
	Ex. 1)	250 mm x	<u>1 m</u> = 0.250 m	
			1000 mm	
	Ex. 2)	35 km x	1000 m = 35,000 m	
			1 km	
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## **Visualizing Metric**

Sample answers

### + Height: 5'6" = 1676 mm = 1.676 m

+ Pace: 53 cm = 530 mm = 0.53 m

- 1) Which of the following expresses fluid volume?
- A. liter
- B. cubic kilogram
- C. pascal
- D. hectare

- 2) Which unit of temperature is used at construction sites?
- A. degree Fahrenheit
- B. degree Centigrade
- C. kelvin
- D. degree Celsius

- 3) Newton replaces which unit?
- A. pounds per square inch
- B. pound force
- C. pounds per cubic inch
- D. pounds mass

- 4) Iowa DOT drawings will use which measurements? (circle all that apply)
- A. meter
- B. centimeter
- C. millimeter
- D. megameter
- 5) On the Celsius scale, water freezes at what temperature?
- A. 32°C
- B. 100°C
- C. 0°C
- D. 0 K

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- 6) Which SI Unit listed here would be used to express volume of concrete or fill?
- A. cubic decimeter
- B. cubic meter
- C. liter
- D. ton

- 7) Which of the following is the same as 200 meters?
  A. 0.02 km
  B. 2.0 km
  C. 0.2 km
- D. 20.0 km

- 8) Which of the following is the same as 3 meters?
- A. 0.03 km
- B. 3000 mm
- C. 300 mm
- D. 0.3 km

- 9) Which of the following represents the longest length?
- A. 3.0 m 3.0 m
- B. 450 mm C. 0.05 km
- D. 20 cm

0.45 m 50 m

0.2 m

10) SI refers to:

- A. The system of interfaces necessary to implement metric in computers.
- B. The metric system used today.
- C. The governing organization that establishes metric rules.
- D. The international strategies that created first metric system.

- 11) On the moon the acceleration of gravity is about 1.7 m/s<sup>2</sup>. What is the gravity force of a 2 kg object on the moon?
- A. 3.4 pascals
- B. 1.7 pascals
- C. 3.4 newtons
- D. 1.7 newtons

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12) Which SI unit replaces PSI?
A. kg/m<sup>2</sup>
B. N
C. Pa
D. newton-meters

# **Unit 2 - Estimating Topics**

**Topics Covered** 

+ Conversion Types and Factors

Construction Estimation Problems

# **Soft Conversion**

- Use factors on English units to get metric equivalent - 1 step
- Often will lead to long, "strange" numbers
- Going "soft" on us... use new measurement system, but don't change physical value

**+** Example: 16.0 ft == 4.88 m

# Hard Conversion

- Use factors on English units to get metric equivalent ... then round to "reasonable" metric number - 2 steps
- Going "hard" or tough on us... use new measurement system, and probably even change physical value
   Example: 16.0 ft == 5.0 m

# Hard Conversion

Pipe diameter 30" == 762 mm hard conversion == 750 mm Lane width 12' == 3.6576 m hard conversion == 3.6 m Pavement thickness 10" == 254 mm hard conversion == 260 mm

# Long Form

## Feet to Meters

	0	.1	.2	.3
0	0	0.03048	0.06096	0.09144
1	0.30480	0.33528	0.36576	0.39624
2	0.60960	0.64008	0.67256	0.70104
3	0.91440	0.94488	0.97536	

Example: 2.2 feet equals 0.67256 meters

# **Short Form**

Len	<u>gth</u>			
	<u>m</u>	<u>in</u>	<u>ft</u>	<u>yd</u>
m	1	39.370	3.2808	1.0936
in	25.4x10 <sup>-3</sup>	1	83.333x10-3	27.0778x10-3
ft	0.3048	12	1	0.3333
yd	0.9144	36	3	1

## Example: 1 foot = 0.3048 meters 2ft x 0.3048 = 0.6096 m

# **Conversion Factors**

<u>Quantity</u>	From	To	<u>Multiply by</u>
Length	ft	m	0.3048
	in	m	25.4x10 <sup>-3</sup>
	yd	m	0.9144
Mass	lbm	kg	0.4536

Example: 2ft x 0.3048 = 0.6096 m

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# **Rounding Rules**

Less than 5 - Drop the numbers

NumberPlaceRounded4.7635342 after decimal4.76234.87323 after decimal234.87387632hundreds87600

# **Rounding Rules (cont)**

Greater than 5 - Raise (Add 1 to) the number

NumberPlaceRounded4.7635341 after decimal4.8234.87321 after decimal234.987632thousands88000

# **Rounding Rules (cont)**

Exactly equal to 5 (With nothing after it!)

Make the number even
 If last significant digit is odd... round up
 If last significant digit is even.. drop number

<u>Number</u>	<b>Place</b>	Rounded
476.55	1 after decimal	476.6
445.25	1 after decimal	445.2

# **Rounding Rules - standards**

- DOT establishing standards for "rounding"/precision for many items Examples:
- Reinforced concrete boxes to tenth of a meter (1.8 x 1.2 x 9.8)
- Horizontal alignments, tie-ins, etc. to closest 0.001m (tolerances ± 3mm)

# **Rounding Rules - standards**

More examples:

- + Entrance locations closest 0.01 m
- + Culvert locations closest 0.1 m

(Note: many other standards, such as scales on plans, etc... see DOT metric conversion guidelines and AASHTO green book. etc...)

# **Verifying Answers**

- + Humans aren't perfect
- Double check your answers
- +Use common sense and estimates

# Verifying Answers (cont.)

## Example: Convert 25 mph to km/h Correct Answer: 25x1.609 = 40.225 40 km/h

# What if you mistyped 1.609 as 16.09 on your calculator??? 25x16.09 = 402.25 402 km/h

# **Station Conversion**

## 492+00.00 ft x 12 in x 1 m = 149+96.190 m

1 ft 39.37 in

# **Station Equation**

Sta 149+96.190 (m) This survey/sta 492+00.0(E) as built

## OR

Sta 149+96.19 (m) = Sta 492+00.0 (E)

# **US Foot Conversion**

# $39.37 \text{ in } x \frac{1 \text{ ft}}{1 \text{ m}} = 39.37 \text{ ft} = 3.28083 \text{ ft/m}$

# Unit 2 - A

**Total Project Length** 

Div. I Sta 2269.50 Div II Sta 2350.00

- Sta <u>243.84</u> 2025.66 <u>2269.50</u> 80.50
- 1. Total Length = 2025.66+80.50 = 2106.16 m
- 2. Revised Lengthapproximately 2.5 miles added2.5 mi x 1.609 km/mi = 4.0225 km
  - <sup>45</sup> 2106.16 + 4022.50 = 6128.66 m

# Unit 2 - B

- 1. Concrete volume Plate 2211
  - Sta 2269.50

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-Sta 243.66 m

 $2025.66 \text{ m x } 8.2 \text{ m x } 0.250 \text{ m} = 4151.60 \text{ m}^3$ 

2. Special Backfill Volume Plate 2209
Sta 2350.00
-Sta 2269.50
80.50 m x11.4 m x 0.300 m = 275.31 m<sup>3</sup>

# Unit 2 - B

 Granular Subbase - Volume Plate 2211 Sta 2269.50 -Sta 243.84 2025.66 m Vol = (2025.66 m)[(0.15 m x 10.2 m)+(2 x 0.5 x 0.15 m x 0.15 m)]  $= 2025.66 \text{ m} [(1.53 + 0.0225) \text{m}^2]$  $= 3144.83 \text{ m}^3$ 

# Unit 2 - C

## Bid prices will vary with individual area.

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# **Unit 3 - Field Construction**

**Topic Covered** 

Practical Construction Applications

### A. Mass and Volume of each material

Material	Batch	Truck	Batch	Truck	
	Mass	Mass	Vol.	Vol.	
Cement	299 x 8	8 = 2392 kg	0.10 x 8	$8 = 0.80 \text{ m}^{3}$	3
Fly Ash	54 x 8	s = 432 kg	0.02 x 8	8 = 0.16 m <sup>s</sup>	3
Water	171 x 8	8 = 1368 kg	0.20 x 8	3 = 1.60 m	3
Fine Agg.	847 x 8	8 = 6776 kg	0.31 x 8	$3 = 2.48 \text{ m}^{3}$	3
Coar.Agg.	827 x 8	8 = 6616 kg	0.31 x 8	3 = 2.48 m <sup>3</sup>	3
Water Rec	lucer -	-	* S	ee note	
Air	-		0.06 x	8 = 0.48 m	3
		17,584 kg		8.00 m	3
50 or 17	′.584 M	g (Note: water	reducer vo	ol = 691 ml x	8 = 5528 ml)

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**B. BOP Station** 1. 14915.75 ft x 12 in/ft x 1 m/39.37 in = 4546.33 m 2. Sta 45 + 46.33 (m) = Sta 149 + 15.75 (E) C. Metric Bars 1.  $10 \times 7.8 \text{ m} \times 0.785 \text{ kg/m} = 61.23 \text{ kg}$ 2. 8 x 9.2 m x 5.495 kg/m = 404.43 kg 3.  $15 \times 6.5 \text{ m} \times 11.775 \text{ kg/m} = 1148.06 \text{ kg}$ 4. Dia 55 M = 56.4 mm Area  $55M = 2500 \text{ mm}^2$ Dia 15 M = 16.0 mm Area  $15M = 200 \text{ mm}^2$ Difference= 40.4 mm  $= 2300 \text{ mm}^2$ 

- D. ROW Area 9.0 m x 30.25 m = 272.25 m<sup>2</sup> 272.25 m<sup>2</sup> / 10000 (m<sup>2</sup>/ha) = 0.027 ha
- E. Temperature (40°C x 1.8) + 32 = 104°F Yes
- F. Truck Mass 9 m<sup>3</sup> x 314 kg/m<sup>3</sup> = 2826 kg = 2.83 Mg

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G. Scale  $250 \times 36 \text{ mm} = 9000 \text{ mm} = 9 \text{ m}$ 

H. Curing Compound 1000 m x 7.2 m x 0.5 L/m<sup>2</sup> = 3600 L

I. Sieve sizes

- 1. 0.000075
- 2. 0.000600
- 3. 0.00236

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# **Unit 4 - Record Keeping**

- **Topics Covered**
- + Notation
- ✦ Prefixes
- Spacing and Capitalization
- Spelling and Pluralization
- Decimal markers and Spacing
- + Powers of Ten

# **Rules review**

# name vs. symbol meter m prefix mega or bigger

✓ symbol is capital, name is small letter

#### + combine prefix with name or symbol

#### ✓ no hyphen or spaces

+ plurals at end of names not symbols

+ spacing: 37.5 km

# **Rules review continued**

#### + volume and area

- ✓ square meter(s) not meters squared
- ✓ symbol use superscript number m<sup>2</sup>

#### + decimal and commas

- Iowa DOT will use period for decimal and commas to group by threes
- ✓ Example: 123,456.789

(Note: SI would be 123 456,789)

# **Rules review continued**

✦ powers of ten examples 1300 m = 1.3 x 10<sup>3</sup> m = 1.3 km

17,500,000 Pa = 17.5 x 10<sup>6</sup> Pa = 17.5 MPa

 $0.075 \text{ Mg} = 75 \text{ x} 10^{-3} \text{ Mg} = 75 \text{ kg}$ 

# **Multiplication and Division**

#### **Multiplication**

- ✓ use dot in middle of symbol
- use hyphen in written text
- + Example:

N∘ m

newton-meter

### **Division**

- ✓ use slash in middle of symbol
- ✓ use slash in written text (or per)
- + Example:

m/s

meters/second

meters per second

# **Practice Writing In Pairs**

Write in both number symbol and number written name format: number unit of measure **KILOMETERS** 34 and 1/3 75.3 millimeters cubed per sec PASCALS 237657.5 **GRAM** in MEGAGRAMS 107000000 0.0076 LITERS in terms of **MILLILITERS** 

# **Practice Writing Solutions**

34.33 km 34.33 kilometers 75.3 mm<sup>3</sup>/s 75.3 cubic millimeters per second 237,657.5 Pa 237,657.5 pascals 237.6575 kPa 237.6575 kilopascals 107 Mg 107 megagrams 7.6 mL 7.6 milliliters

- 1) Which is the correct symbol for megapascals?
- A. Mpa
- B. MPa
- C. mPa
- D. mPA

- 2) What is the correct symbol for cubic millimeters?
- A. cu. mm.
- B. mm<sup>3</sup>
- C. cmm
- D. mm <sup>3</sup>

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- 3) Which is not a correct SI plural?
- A. 44.65 m
- B. 5.4 kilopascal
- C. Eighteen cubic millimeters
- D. 149 MNs

- 4) Which of the following is the correct representation of degrees Celsius?
- A. 42.5°c
- B. 42.5 °C
- C. 42.5 °c
- D. 42.5°C

- 5) Which of the following is correct?
- A. 19mm<sup>3</sup>
- B. 448 cmm
- C. 18 Mn
- D. 55.7 kPa

6) Which is the proper expression for kilometers per hour?

- A. 75 KPH
- B. 75 Km/H
- C. 75 km/h
- D. 75 km/hr

- 7) Which of the following is equivalent to 1x10<sup>4</sup> square millimeters?
- A. 10,000 mm<sup>2</sup>
- B. 1000 mm<sup>2</sup>
- C. 0.0001 mm<sup>2</sup>
- D. 0.001 mm<sup>2</sup>

- 8) Which of the following pairs of symbols and unit names is correct?
- A. 17 MPa 17 Megapascals
- B. 3434.6 N 3434.6 Newtons
  - 1.67 kilograms
  - 2.3 milli-meters

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C. 1.67 kg

D. 2.3 mm

- 9) Which of the following is a correct sentence for temperature?
- A. The temp ... ten Degrees Celsius.
- B. The temp ... ten degrees celsius.
- C. The temp ... ten degrees Celsius.
- D. The temp ... ten Degrees celsius.

10) Which of the following is correct?
A. .78 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
B. 3.9 L's
C. 4.539 KPa
D. 3.87 ha

11) Rounding	
a) 34.876	34.88
b) 87.565	87.56
c) 1234	1230
d) 876.52	877
e) 0.2347	0.235

### Resources

- George Sisson, DOT Metric Coordinator, 239-1461
- + AASHTO Green Book
- **+ DOT Interim Metric Guide**
- Conversion Calculators
- Numerous books, industry magazine articles, etc.