

Important Weight Estimation Formulas PDF



Formulas Examples with Units

List of 17 Important Weight Estimation Formulas

1) Fuel Load from Unity Equation Formula ↻

Formula

$$W_f = W_{TO} - (W_E + W_P)$$

Example with Units

$$29244 \text{ kg} = 45000 \text{ kg} - (8890 \text{ kg} + 6866 \text{ kg})$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

2) Gross weight Formula ↻

Formula

$$W_G = W_E + W_U$$

Example with Units

$$16755 \text{ kg} = 8890 \text{ kg} + 7865 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

3) Landing Weight given Take Off Weight and Mission Fuel Weight Formula ↻

Formula

$$W_L = W_{TO} - W_f$$

Example with Units

$$16756 \text{ kg} = 45000 \text{ kg} - 28244 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

4) Landing Weight given Zero Fuel Weight and Reserve Fuel Weight Formula ↻

Formula

$$W_L = W_{ZF} + W_{RF}$$

Example with Units

$$16756 \text{ kg} = 15756 \text{ kg} + 1000 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

5) Maximum take off weight Formula ↻

Formula

$$MTOW = \frac{W_P}{1 - \left(\left(\frac{W_E}{W_{TO}} \right) + \left(\frac{W_f}{W_{TO}} \right) \right)}$$

Example with Units

$$39279.1762 \text{ kg} = \frac{6866 \text{ kg}}{1 - \left(\left(\frac{8890 \text{ kg}}{45000 \text{ kg}} \right) + \left(\frac{28244 \text{ kg}}{45000 \text{ kg}} \right) \right)}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

6) Mission Fuel given Take Off, Reserve and Zero Fuel Weight Formula ↻

Formula

$$W_f = W_{TO} - W_{ZF} - W_{RF}$$

Example with Units

$$28244 \text{ kg} = 45000 \text{ kg} - 15756 \text{ kg} - 1000 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

7) Operating Empty Weight Formula ↻

Formula

$$W_E = W_G - W_U$$

Example with Units

$$8890 \text{ kg} = 16755 \text{ kg} - 7865 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻



8) Operating Empty Weight considering Zero Fuel Weight Formula

Formula

$$W_E = W_{ZF} - W_P$$

Example with Units

$$8890 \text{ kg} = 15756 \text{ kg} - 6866 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula 

9) Operating Empty Weight from Unity Equation Formula

Formula

$$W_E = W_{TO} - (W_P + W_f)$$

Example with Units

$$9890 \text{ kg} = 45000 \text{ kg} - (6866 \text{ kg} + 28244 \text{ kg})$$

Evaluate Formula 

10) Payload of aircraft Formula

Formula

$$W_P = W_{ZF} - W_E$$

Example with Units

$$6866 \text{ kg} = 15756 \text{ kg} - 8890 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula 

11) Payload Weight from Unity Equation Formula

Formula

$$W_P = W_{TO} - W_E - W_f$$

Example with Units

$$7866 \text{ kg} = 45000 \text{ kg} - 8890 \text{ kg} - 28244 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula 

12) Take Off Weight from Unity Equation Formula

Formula

$$W_{TO} = W_E + W_P + W_f$$

Example with Units

$$44000 \text{ kg} = 8890 \text{ kg} + 6866 \text{ kg} + 28244 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula 

13) Take Off Weight given Reserve, Mission and Zero Fuel Weight Formula

Formula

$$W_{TO} = W_{ZF} + W_{RF} + W_f$$

Example with Units

$$45000 \text{ kg} = 15756 \text{ kg} + 1000 \text{ kg} + 28244 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula 

14) Useful Load Formula

Formula

$$W_U = W_G - W_E$$

Example with Units

$$7865 \text{ kg} = 16755 \text{ kg} - 8890 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula 

15) Zero fuel weight Formula

Formula

$$W_{ZF} = W_E + W_P$$

Example with Units

$$15756 \text{ kg} = 8890 \text{ kg} + 6866 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula 

16) Zero Fuel Weight given Mission Fuel, Reserve and Take Off Weight Formula

Formula

$$W_{ZF} = W_{TO} - W_f - W_{RF}$$

Example with Units

$$15756 \text{ kg} = 45000 \text{ kg} - 28244 \text{ kg} - 1000 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula 



17) Zero Fuel Weight given Reserve and Landing Weight Formula

Formula

$$W_{ZF} = W_L - W_{RF}$$

Example with Units

$$15756 \text{ kg} = 16756 \text{ kg} - 1000 \text{ kg}$$

Evaluate Formula 



Variables used in list of Weight Estimation Formulas above

- **MTOW** Maximum Take Off Weight (Kilogram)
- **W_E** Operating Empty Weight (Kilogram)
- **W_f** Fuel Load (Kilogram)
- **W_G** Gross Weight (Kilogram)
- **W_L** Landing Weight (Kilogram)
- **W_P** Payload (Kilogram)
- **W_{RF}** Reserve Fuel (Kilogram)
- **W_{TO}** Takeoff Weight (Kilogram)
- **W_U** Useful Weight (Kilogram)
- **W_{ZF}** Zero Fuel Weight (Kilogram)

Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Weight Estimation Formulas above

- **Measurement: Weight** in Kilogram (kg)
Weight Unit Conversion 



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