

**FORM ONE
PHYSICS
MID TERM 1 2023 EXAM**

1. Define physics? (1mks)
It is the study of matter and relation to energy

2. Describe three branches of physics. (6mks)

- **Mechanics**
- **Electricity of magnesium**
- **Thermo dynamics**
- **Geothermal optics**
- **Waves**

3. Describe any three relationship between physics and other subjects. (6mks)

- **Physics and religion**
- **Physics and history**
- **Physics and geography**
- **Physics and home science**
- **Physics biology**
- **Physics chemistry**
- **Physics and technology**

4. List five laboratory rules. (5mks)

- **Tuck in shirts and blouses- gas tap should be closed**
- **Wear closed shoes- Wash hands after experiment**
- **Follow instructions and fully**
- **Windows and doors should be open when working in the laboratory**
- **No eating in the lab**

5. Define length and state its SI units. (2mks)

- **Length is a measure of distance between two points. SI unit is metre (M)**

6. State 2 factors that determine the choice of instrument to measure length. (2mks)

- **Level of accuracy desired.**
- **Size of the object to be measured.**

7. (a) What is the SI unit for area. (1mk)

M^2

(b) Express the following into M^2 (4mks)

(i) 9000cm^2
 $1\text{m}^2 = 10000\text{cm}^2$
 $? \ 9000\text{cm}^2$
 $= 0.9\text{m}^2$

(ii) 0.05cm^2

$10000 - 1\text{m}^2$
 0.05cm^2

$0.05/10000 = 0.000005$

8. The water level in a burette is 30cm^3 , 55 drops of water fall from the burette and average volume of one drop is 0.12cm^3 . What is the final water level in the burette. (3mks)

Volume of all drops – 355×0.12
 $= 6.6\text{cm}$
 $30 \times 6.6\text{cm}^3 \ 36.6\text{cm}^3$

9. (a) Define mass and give its SI units. (2mks)

- **Mass is quantity of matter in an object. Its SI unit is kilogram.**

- (b) Convert the following into kilograms (1mk)

- (i) 2 tonne

1 tone – 1000kg
2 tonne – 200kg

- (ii) 400 grams

$1000\text{g} - 1\text{kg}$
 $400\text{gram} ? \ 400/1000 \ 0.4\text{kg}$

- (iii) 600mg (milligram)

$600/1000 = 0.0006\text{kg}$

10. The mass of 20cm^3 of wood was found to be 0.4kg. Calculate the density of wood

- a) In kg/m^3 (2mks)

$\text{Density} = \text{mass}/\text{volume} = 0.4/0.00002 = 2000\text{kg}/\text{m}^3$

- b) In g/cm^3 (2mks)

$0.4 \times 1000 = 40\text{g}/20\text{cm}^3 = 2\text{g}/\text{cm}^3$

11. How has physics helped in advancement in medicine. (4mks)

- **Gamma rays used to destroy body cells**
- **Microscopes observes disease causing organisms**

- Stethoscope checks heart beats
- Lenses used to correct eye defects
- X rays used for producing
- Brain scanner check damage in brain
- Hearing aids used by people with ear problems

12. State four apparatus used in physics laboratory. (4mks)

- Ammeter
- Voltmeter
- Thermometer
- Beam balance
- Metre rule
- Wires
- Lenses
- Mirrors
- Diodes
- Resistors
- Bulbs
- magnets

13. Express each of the following volumes in M^3
 a) $27cm^3$ (2mks)

$1m^3 = 1000000cm^3$
 $? 27cm^3$
 $0.000027m^3$

b) $11000mm^3$ (2mks)

$1m^3 = 1000mm^3$
 $? 11000mm^3$
 $11cm^3$
 $1m^3 = 1000000cm^3$
 $? = 11000cm^3$
 $= 11000 / 1000000 = 0.011m^3$

14. Define volume and its SI units (2mks)

- It is the amount of space occupied by matter. SI units metre 3

15. Define density and state the SI unit.

Density is mass per unit volume of an object. Its SI unit is kilogram per cubic metre. (kgm^{-3} or kg/m^3)