

Conversion table for knots to miles per hour	Beaufort Wind Scale	
KTS to MPH	Windspeed in MPH	Description - Visible Condition
5 Knots= 5.8 MPH	0	Calm smoke rises vertically
10 Knots= 11.5 MPH	1 - 4	Light air direction of wind shown by smoke but not by wind vanes
15 Knots= 17.3 MPH	4 - 7	Light breeze wind felt on face; leaves rustle; ordinary wind vane moved by wind
20 Knots= 23.0 MPH	8 - 12	Gentle breeze leaves and small twigs in constant motion; wind extends light flag
25 Knots= 28.8 MPH	13 - 18	Moderate breeze raises dust and loose paper; small branches are moved
30 Knots= 34.6 MPH	19 - 24	Fresh breeze small trees in leaf begin to sway; crested wavelets form on inland water
35 Knots= 40.3 MPH	25 - 31	Strong breeze large branches in motion; telephone wires whistle; umbrellas used with difficulty
40 Knots= 46.1 MPH	32 - 38	Moderate gale whole trees in motion; inconvenience in walking against wind
45 Knots= 51.8 MPH	39 - 46	Fresh gale breaks twigs off trees; generally impedes progress
50 Knots= 57.6 MPH	47 - 54	Strong gale slight structural damage occurs; chimney pots and slates removed
55 Knots= 63.4 MPH	55 - 63	Whole gale trees uprooted; considerable structural damage occurs
60 Knots= 69.1 MPH	64 - 72	Storm very rarely experienced; accompanied by widespread damage
65 Knots= 74.9 MPH	73+	Hurricane devastation occurs
70 Knots= 80.6 MPH		
75 Knots= 86.4 MPH		
80 Knots= 92.2 MPH		
85 Knots= 97.9 MPH		
90 Knots=103.7MPH		
95 Knots=109.4MPH		
100Knots=115.2MPH		
105Knots=121.0MPH		
110Knots=126.7MPH		
115Knots=132.5MPH		
120Knots=138.2MPH		
125Knots=144.0MPH		
130Knots=149.8MPH		
135Knots=155.5MPH		
140Knots=161.3MPH		
145Knots=167.0MPH		
150Knots=172.8MPH		

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8 - 12	Gentle Breeze	Leaves and small twigs in constant motion; wind extends light flag
13 - 18	Moderate Breeze	Raises dust and loose paper; small branches are moved
19 - 24	Fresh Breeze	Small trees in leaf begin to sway; crested

	wavelets form on inland water
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73+	Hurricane Devastation occurs

Read down the knots on left then across. At intersection is the miles per hour.

KNOTS	⇔⇔	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	⇓⇓⇓	⇓⇓	⇓⇓	⇓⇓	⇓⇓	⇓⇓	⇓⇓	⇓⇓	⇓⇓	⇓⇓	⇓⇓
0	⇔⇔	0	1	2	3	5	6	7	8	9	10
10	⇔⇔	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	20	21	22
20	⇔⇔	23	24	25	26	28	29	30	31	32	33
30	⇔⇔	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	43	44	45
40	⇔⇔	46	47	48	50	51	52	53	54	55	56
50	⇔⇔	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	66	67	68
60	⇔⇔	69	70	71	73	74	75	76	77	78	79
70	⇔⇔	81	82	83	84	85	86	88	89	90	91
80	⇔⇔	92	93	94	96	97	98	99	100	101	102
90	⇔⇔	104	105	106	107	108	109	111	112	113	114
100	⇔⇔	115	116	117	119	120	121	122	123	124	126
110	⇔⇔	127	128	129	130	131	132	134	135	136	137
120	⇔⇔	138	139	140	142	143	144	145	146	147	149
130	⇔⇔	150	151	152	153	154	155	157	158	159	160
140	⇔⇔	161	162	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	172
150	⇔⇔	173	174	175	176	177	178	180	181	182	183
160	⇔⇔	184	185	187	188	189	190	191	192	193	195
170	⇔⇔	196	197	198	199	200	202	203	204	205	206
180	⇔⇔	207	208	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	218
190	⇔⇔	219	220	221	222	223	225	226	227	228	229
200	⇔⇔	230	231	233	234	235	236	237	238	240	241

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MPH is statute miles per hour (used in many runabout speedometers). Canada marks its boat speed limits in **kph** or **km/hr**, which is kilometres per hour. **Knots** is nautical miles per hour and is measured by knotmeters in small boats and ships. A nautical mile is the distance of 1 minute of latitude, with 60 nautical miles in 1 degree of latitude. (Notice that you can divide km/hr in half to get an approximate speed in knots.)

KNOTS multiplied by 1.1507771555 = MPH
 MPH divided by 1.150777155 = KNOTS
 MPH multiplied by 1.609344 = km/hr
 km/hr divided by 1.609344 = MPH

Convert Knots			Convert km/hr		
Knots	mph	km/hr	km/hr	mph	Knots
1	1.2	1.9	1	0.6	0.5
2	2.3	3.7	2	1.2	1.1
3	3.5	5.6	3	1.9	1.6
4	4.6	7.4	4	2.5	2.2
5	5.8	9.3	5	3.1	2.7
6	6.9	11.1	6	3.7	3.2
7	8.1	13.0	7	4.3	3.8
8	9.2	14.8	8	5.0	4.3
9	10.4	16.7	9	5.6	4.9
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10	11.5	18.5	10	6.2	5.4
11	12.7	20.4	11	6.8	5.9
12	13.8	22.2	12	7.5	6.5
13	15.0	24.1	13	8.1	7.0
14	16.1	25.9	14	8.7	7.6
15	17.3	27.8	15	9.3	8.1
16	18.4	29.6	16	9.9	8.6
17	19.6	31.5	17	10.6	9.2
18	20.7	33.3	18	11.2	9.7

19	21.9	35.2	19	11.8	10.3
20	23.0	37.0	20	12.4	10.8
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25	28.8	46.3	25	15.5	13.5
30	34.5	55.6	30	18.6	16.2
35	40.3	64.8	35	21.7	18.9
40	46.0	74.1	40	24.9	21.6
45	51.8	83.3	45	28.0	24.3
50	57.5	92.6	50	31.1	27.0