AQA A level Physics:7404

A level Physics: Subject Content

Core Content

- 1. Measurements and their errors (page 10)
- 2. Particles and radiation (page 12)
- 3. Waves (page 17)
- 4. Mechanics and materials (page 21)
- 5. Electricity (page 27)
- 6. Further mechanics and thermal physics (A-level only) (page 30)
- 7. Fields and their consequences (A-level only) (page 34)
- 8. Nuclear physics (A-level only) (page 41)

Options

- 9. Astrophysics (A-level only) (page 45)
- 10. Medical physics (A-level only) (page 49)
- 11. Engineering physics (A-level only) (page 54)
- 12. Turning points in physics (A-level only) (page 58)
- 13. Electronics (A-level only) (page 62)

AS level Physics: How it's assessed

Paper 1

What's assessed?

• Sections 1 – 5

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 1 hour 30 minutes
- 70 marks
- 50% of AS

Questions

• 70 marks of short and long answer questions split by topic.

Paper 2

What's assessed?

• Sections 1 – 5

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 1 hour 30 minutes
- 70 marks
- 50% of AS

Questions

- Section A: 20 marks of short and long answer questions on practical skills and data analysis
- Section B: 20 marks of short and long answer questions from across all areas of AS content

• Section C: 30 multiple choice questions

A level Physics: How it's assessed

Paper 1

What's assessed?

• Sections 1 – 5 and 6.1 (Periodic motion)

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 2 hours
- 85 marks
- 34% of A-level

Questions

• 60 marks of short and long answer questions and 25 multiple choice questions on content.

Paper 2

What's assessed?

 Sections 6.2 (Thermal Physics), 7 and 8 Assumed knowledge from sections 1 to 6.1

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 2 hours
- 85 marks
- 34% of A-level

Questions

60 marks of short and long answer questions and 25 multiple choice questions on content.

Paper 3

What's assessed?

- Section A: Compulsory section: Practical skills and data analysis
- Section B: Students enter for one of sections 9, 10, 11, 12 or 13

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 2 hours
- 80 marks
- 32% of A-level

Questions

- 45 marks of short and long answer questions on practical experiments and data analysis.
- 35 marks of short and long answer questions on optional topic.