

Key equations to remember

Heat storage and its application to mixed layers (T constant with height):

$$\Delta H_s = \int \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho c T) dz \quad (1)$$

Coriolis parameter:

$$f = 2\Omega \sin(\phi) \quad (2)$$

Geostrophic wind balance:

$$U_g = -\frac{1}{\rho f} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}; \quad V_g = \frac{1}{\rho f} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} \quad (3)$$

Shear stresses:

$$\tau_{zx, visc} = \mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}; \quad \tau_{zx, Reynolds} = \rho K \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \quad (4)$$

Richardson number:

$$Ri = \frac{S}{\left| \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \right|^2} \quad (5)$$

where S is the static stability parameter

$$S = \frac{g}{T_v} \frac{\partial \theta_v}{\partial z} \quad (6)$$

Turbulence kinetic energy:

$$TKE = \frac{1}{2} \overline{(u')^2} + \frac{1}{2} \overline{(v')^2} + \frac{1}{2} \overline{(w')^2} \quad (7)$$

In addition, you should know the equation of state; the essential concepts of energy conservation applied to a surface and a finite layer; the relationship between dynamic and kinematic viscosity.