## Common Units of Measure

Length:
1 centimetre $(\mathrm{cm})=10$ millimetres ( mm )
1 metre $(\mathrm{m})=100 \mathrm{~cm}=1000 \mathrm{~mm}$
1 kilometre $(\mathrm{km})=1000 \mathrm{~m}=100000 \mathrm{~cm}=1000000 \mathrm{~mm}$

## Mass:

1 kilogram (kg) = 1000 grams ( g )

## Capacity:

1 litre ( 1 ) $=1000$ millilitres ( ml ) (also $=100$ centilitres (cl))

## Converting units:

Generally, to convert a larger unit to a smaller unit, multiply by the ratio.
To convert a smaller unit to a larger unit, divide by the ratio.

| To convert: | Operation: |
| :---: | :---: |
| cm to mm | $\times 10$ |
| mm to cm | $\div 10$ |
| m to cm | $\times 100$ |
| cm to m | $\div 100$ |
| km to m | $\times 1000$ |
| m to km | $\div 1000$ |
| l to ml | $\times 1000$ |
| ml to l | $\div 1000$ |


| To convert: | Operation |
| :---: | :---: |
| kg to g | $\times 1000$ |
| $g$ to kg | $\div 1000$ |
| l to ml | $\times 1000$ |
| ml to l | $\div 1000$ |
| l to cl | $\times 100$ |
| cl to l | $\div 100$ |
| cl to ml | $\times 10$ |
| ml to cl | $\div 10$ |

## Examples:

| $4 \mathrm{~m}=400 \mathrm{~cm}$ | $43 \mathrm{~mm}=4.3 \mathrm{~cm}$ | $12 \mathrm{l}=12000 \mathrm{ml}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $268 \mathrm{~cm}=2.68 \mathrm{~m}$ | $5 \mathrm{~km}=5000 \mathrm{~m}$ | $500 \mathrm{~g}=0.5 \mathrm{~kg}$ |
| $1600 \mathrm{~g}=1.6 \mathrm{~kg}$ | $450 \mathrm{ml}=0.45 \mathrm{l}$ | $18 \mathrm{~cm}=180 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| $2 \mathrm{~m}=2000 \mathrm{~mm}$ | $8500 \mathrm{ml}=8.5 \mathrm{I}$ | $4.8 \mathrm{~kg}=4800 \mathrm{~g}$ |

