

## Relative Humidity and Dewpoint Temperature from Temperature and Wet-Bulb Temperature

Note: This calculation is very complex and requires a knowledge of algebra.

From the user, an air temperature ( $T$ ), a wet-bulb temperature ( $T_w$ ), and a station pressure ( $p_{sta}$ ) are given. The temperature values must be converted to units of degrees Celsius ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).

Also, the station pressure must be converted to units of millibars ( $mb$ ) or hectorPascals ( $hPa$ ).

To see how to convert temperatures and pressures, see the links below:

<http://www.srh.noaa.gov/elp/wxcalc/formulas/tempConvert.pdf>

<http://www.srh.noaa.gov/elp/wxcalc/formulas/pressureConversion.pdf>

Then, an actual vapor pressure needs to be calculated. To accomplish the calculation, a vapor pressure related to wet-bulb temperature ( $e_w$ ) and a saturated vapor pressure ( $e_s$ ) must be calculated first using the equations below:

$$e_s = 6.112 \times e^{\left(\frac{17.67 \times T}{T+243.5}\right)} \quad e_w = 6.112 \times e^{\left(\frac{17.67 \times T_w}{T_w+243.5}\right)}$$

Where  $e$  is the number  $e$ .

Then, an actual vapor pressure ( $e$ ) can be calculated using the equation below:

$$e = e_w - p_{sta} \times (T - T_w) \times 0.00066 \times (1 + (0.00115 \times T_w))$$

Finally, a relative humidity ( $rh$ ) and a dewpoint temperature ( $T_d$ ) can be calculated using the equations below:

$$rh = \frac{e}{e_s} \times 100$$

$$T_d = \frac{243.5 \log\left(\frac{e}{6.112}\right)}{17.67 - \log\left(\frac{e}{6.112}\right)}$$