

34.16 A 4-stroke, 8 cylinder engine produces 200hp at 4800rpm. The cylinders have a bore of 105mm and a stroke of 75mm. What is the mean effective pressure?

- A. 1bar
- B. 2bar
- C. 4bar
- D. 7bar

Relate power and **Mean Effective Pressure** using the equation under **Internal Combustion Engines**. Solve for *MEP*.

$$hp = (MEP) \frac{Lan}{K}$$

$$MEP = \frac{hp \cdot K}{Lan}$$

Solve for *n*, as defined in the Reference handbook.

$$n = \frac{2N \times \text{Number of cylinders}}{\text{Number of strokes per cycle}}$$

$$n = \frac{(2)(4800)(8)}{(4)} = 19,200$$

Convert the stroke units to *m* and then calculate the area in *m*². Select the value for *K* which is suited for SI units.

$$L = 75mm \left(\frac{1m}{1000mm} \right) = 0.075m$$

$$a = \frac{\pi}{4} D^2 = \frac{\pi}{4} (0.105m)^2 = 0.00866m^2$$

$$K = 0.4566$$

Substitute and solve for *MEP*.

$$MEP = \frac{(200)(0.4566)}{(0.075)(0.00866)(19,200)} = 7.3bar$$

The reference handbook states the resulting units are *kPa*, however this should be corrected to *bar*.

For validation, consider repeating the solution using imperial units and converting to *bar* at the end.

$$L = 0.246ft$$

$$a = 13.42in^2$$

$$K = 33,000$$

$$MEP = \frac{(200)(33,000)}{(0.246)(13.42)(19,200)} = 104.1psi \left(\frac{1atm}{14.7psi} \right) \left(\frac{1.01325bar}{1atm} \right) = 7.2bar$$

Answer D