

Equation number and name	Formula	Abbreviations	Reference	Comments	Calibrated in this study
Eq. (1): Hamon	Version 1: PE [mm day ⁻¹] = 13.97 $\left(\frac{N}{12}\right)^2 \rho_s$ Version 2: PE [mm day ⁻¹] = $\left(\frac{N}{12}\right)^2 \exp\left(\frac{T}{16}\right)$	– N maximum possible daylight hours [h] – ρ_s saturated vapour density [g m ⁻³] – T average temperature [°C]	Version 1: Hamon (1961) Version 2: Oudin et al. (2005)	Originally developed for the USA. Version 2 was used in this study.	YES
Eq. (2): McGuinness–Bordne	PE [mm day ⁻¹] = $\frac{1}{\lambda} S_0 \left(\frac{T+5}{68}\right)$	– λ latent heat of vaporisation [MJ kg ⁻¹] – T temperature [°C] – S_0 extraterrestrial radiation [MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹]	McGuinness and Bordne (1972) Oudin et al. (2005)	Originally developed for the USA. Oudin et al. (2005) version used in this study.	
Eq. (3): Blaney–Criddle	PE [mm day ⁻¹] = $kT p_d$ with $p_d = 100 \frac{N_d}{365} \frac{\sum_{i=1} N_i}{\sum_{i=1} N_i}$	– p_d mean daily percent of annual daytime hours for day d – T mean air temperature – k monthly consumptive use coefficient. – The coefficients k depends on crop, location and season	Blaney and Criddle (1950)	Originally developed to estimate the irrigation requirements of crops in western USA.	
Eq. (4): Kharrufa	PET [mm day ⁻¹] = $0.34 \left(100 \cdot \frac{DL}{365 \times 12}\right) \cdot T_a^{1.3}$	– DL day length [h day ⁻¹] – T_a air temperature [°C]	Kharrufa (1985)	Originally developed for arid regions.	
Eq. (5): Oudin	$\begin{cases} \text{PE [mm day}^{-1}\text{]} = \frac{1}{\lambda} S_0 \left(\frac{T+5}{100}\right) & \text{if } T > -5^\circ \\ \text{PE [mm day}^{-1}\text{]} = 0 & \text{if } T \leq -5^\circ \end{cases}$	– λ latent heat of vaporisation [MJ kg ⁻¹] – T temperature [°C] – S_0 extraterrestrial radiation [MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹]	Oudin et al. (2005)	Version of McGuinness–Bordne equation calibrated for catchments in Australia, USA and France, and which was assessed as the best temperature-based PE equation following a review of various PE methods for use as input to hydrological models (Oudin et al., 2005).	NO
Eq. (6): MOHYSE	PET = $\frac{4.088}{\pi} \cdot \omega \cdot \exp\left(\frac{17.3T_a}{238+T_a}\right)$	– ω the sunset hour angle [rad] – T_a air temperature [°C]	Fortin and Turcotte (2006)	Developed in Quebec.	
Eq. (7): Thornthwaite	PE' [mm month ⁻¹] = $16 \left(\frac{DL}{360}\right) \left(\frac{10T_a}{T}\right)^K$ $a = 0.49239 + 0.01792I - 7.71 \times 10^{-5} I^2$ with $I = \sum_m \left(\frac{T_m}{5}\right)^{1.514}$ annual heat index	– T_a air temperature [°C] – T_m mean temperature of month m [°C]	Thornthwaite (1948)	Thornthwaite correlated mean monthly air temperature with PE as determined by water balance studies in valleys of east-central USA.	