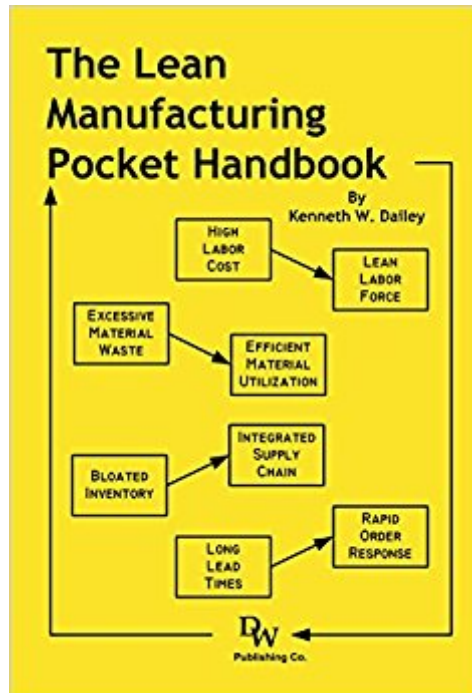


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Skimpy. Kenneth Dailey has written a mini book that takes apart the deep production philosophy of lean and reduces it to a series of definitions, a grab bag of techniques, and an acronym soup. It's hard to visualize how this can be useful for any serious seeker of improved manufacturing practice. Lean is a journey of production transformation from the inside out. The surface treatment afforded by this book suggests something quite different - the possibility of a quick fix that follows from being able to disentangle the meanings of Kanban, Poka Yoke, and Value Stream Mapping. Some of the book's content is worse than unhelpful. For example, in talking about Kaizen, Dailey writes, "The team members themselves should implement the no-brainer and quick-turn changes". This dismissive assessment of the problem solving capability of workers will not foster the level of employee involvement on which any successful lean implementation ultimately must depend. The book ends (page 40) with the author admitting, "You should consider the information inside this pocket handbook to be the baseline minimum". This certainly is not an understatement. For those seeking a succinct overview of the essence of lean, I would recommend *The Spirit of Manufacturing Excellence*, by Ernest Hoge.

I have worked in the field of Lean and Kaizen for over 20 years and have a degree in Industrial Engineering. This book is a waste of money. Too thin and not very informative. You can boil down green beans until they are mush. This is mush.

My company gave everyone a copy of this little book. If you're new to Lean, this is the first book you should read. It's jam-packed, has lots of visual aids, covers everything, and is easy to read. It's a lot of knowledge in a little book.

If I had to give a 1-2 day seminar on the subject, this would be a handy handbook. For that purpose, it should be used, not as a general reference on lean manufacturing. If this review was helpful, please add your vote. Thanks.

The book is a great primer for the beginner. Simple organization and straight to the point.

This is a concise means to share with employees the concepts of Lean. The size is something that fits into their pockets and they are able to carry it with them. It is a quick reference when faced with a situation.

It has little explanations on a whole stack of lean tools. Deeper explanations of items is always available on the internet, this acts like a little reference book. It appears quite thorough and even has some examples. Also available in Spanish which was a plus for me.

Really well organized and formatted. A smart little book for a reasonable price. A fair warning: when they say 'pocket' they mean pocket. This is a really small book, but that doesn't diminish its utility.

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