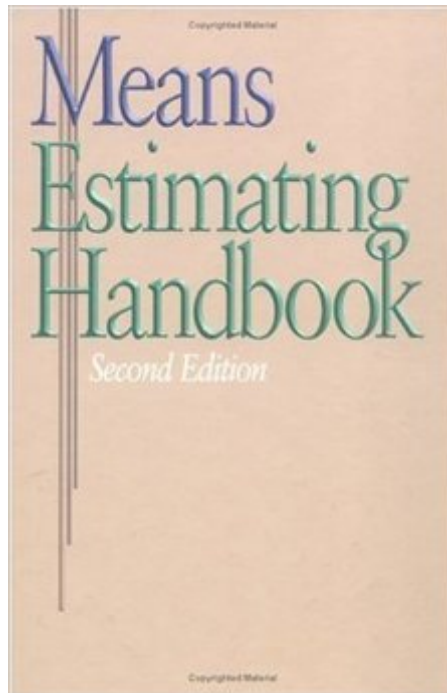


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Means cost guides are not intended to teach estimating. Rather they are cost references for use of an experienced estimator. To state that they are useless is to misunderstand their purpose. Its like reviewing a dictionary and faulting it for lack of plot. I've used these guides for over 40 years. It should be noted that even though they contain regional price adjustments, the estimator still needs to bring judgement to the estimate to factor for local and timing conditions.

A handbook indeed! It has laid the groundwrk and is a great resource for my venture into cost estimating.

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