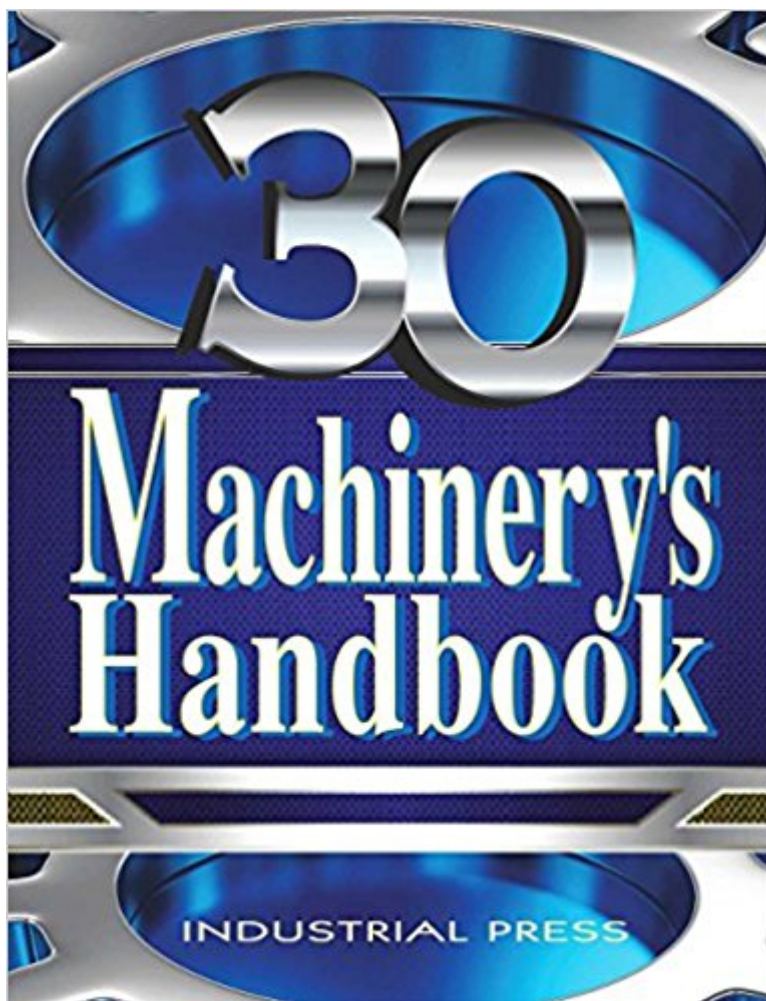




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Bought the large print edition, even tho' I wanted the toolbox edition- but was afraid it would not be readable, after the major screw-up by the publisher on the 28th or 29th edition regarding the paper. This large print is satisfactory and easy to read, although it is MUCH larger than the toolbox edition. This book is the machinist's and engineer's BIBLE, and a necessary part of our life, whether we like it or not. It is very important we be able to read it comfortably and quickly. This one can be read ok, but, as stated, takes up much of the top drawer of a Kennedy Tool Box.

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