

2026 Edition Introduction

Highlights of the 2026 edition of the Environmental Science Deskbook include the following:

- A substantial update to the discussion of ecological risk assessment in Chapter 4 (Risk Assessment);
- Extensive revisions to Chapter 9 (Wetlands);
- New sections on PCBs and exploratory data analysis in Chapter 10 (Environmental Forensics);
- Comprehensive revisions of Chapter 11 (Scientific and Technical Aspects of Industrial Hygiene), particularly regarding worker protections issued by EPA under the Toxic Substances Control Act and OSHA's Hazard Communication Standard;
- General updates to Chapters 2 (Chemistry) and 6 (Surface Water Quality and Wastewater Treatment).