The Swine Housing and Equipment Handbook, MWPS-8, is a completely revised fourth edition prepared by Agricultural Engineers from midwestern United States. Previous editions of this handbook have been widely used by swine producers and building suppliers. The new edition includes current developments and recommendations for swine buildings, related equipment, design and operation. Flush systems for manure handling, for example, have now been included, also recommendations for the Modified Open Front grower barn ventilation.

New chapters are now included about site selections, facility needs and swine production scheduling, handling animals, and use of facilities. Grain-feed centers, feed processing and conveying feed is another new chapter.

Production research and on-farm experiences from the twelve midwest states form the basis for the revision of the Handbook. This includes many different research projects, people and related resources. The Midwest Plan Service committee includes a research and extension agricultural engineer from each midwest Land Grant University.

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