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A Handbook of Project Management by Colin Dobie 2007 paperback \$59.95

This is a practical and comprehensive introduction to project management for large and small projects in both the private and public sectors by an **Australian author**. He has over 35 years experience in project management across a wide range of industries, and has consulted to some of the largest public and private organisations including Australasia, South-East Asia, and China. He is a former National President of the Australian Institute of Project Management.

The practical approach that **Colin Dobie** prescribes, is as applicable both to the experienced project manager, as to the beginner.

There is excellent coverage of all the steps required, in an easy to follow format, placing activities in a logical context to ensure projects are completed on time, on budget and to a high standard, managing the myriad of elements in any project.

Dobie systematically maps the four phases in the project lifecycle: initiation, planning, implementation and finalisation. He outlines the processes and techniques of the nine functions of project management, and how they are applied during the project lifecycle. He also explains what a project manager is expected to deliver, and the roles of team leaders and team members.

Drawing on international standards and bodies of knowledge, as well as Colin Dobie's extensive industry and training experience in several countries, the book is an indispensable guide for anyone who wants to develop their skills in project management. It is extensively illustrated with examples, templates, exercises and checklists, making it a valuable resource for any project manager.