

EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) Refsheet

Overview of EPA Documents

EPA Report Numbers - General Info

Most EPA documents are given a report number such as:

EPA/600/2-86/066

The number given above represents report series 600/2, published in 1986, report number 66.

Most of the time, in order to find an EPA report it is necessary to have the SuDoc number.

In general, certain report series are assigned to certain SuDoc numbers, as shown in the table below:

Report Number	SuDoc Root #	Series Name
EPA-600/1	EP1.23/4	Environmental Health Effects Research Series
EPA-600/2	EP1.23/2	Environmental Protection Technology Series
EPA-600/3 EPA-660/3	EP1.23	Ecological Research Series
EPA-600/4	EP1.23/5	Environmental Monitoring Series
EPA-600/5	EP1.23/3	Socioeconomic Environmental Studies Series
EPA-600/7	EP1.23/8	Interagency Energy-Environmental Studies Series
EPA-600/8	EP1.89/2 EP1.23/9	
EPA-600/9	EP1.23/6	Miscellaneous Reports

Using the table, it is likely that report EPA/600/2-86/066, will have the SuDoc number
EP1.23/2:600/2-86/066

But Note Well:

- 1) There are more report series than just the 600 series given in the table above.
- 2) Some of the 600 series reports are NOT at EP1.23, but are in EP1.2 and other locations.
- 3) There are reports in EP1.23 that are not part of the 600 series.

However, EP1.23 / is a good starting point if looking for a 600 series report.

Using FirstSearch GPO to convert a report number to a SuDoc number

Given the report number EPA/600/2-86/066, search FirstSearch GPO in the "Keyword" field, replacing the slashes with "and" and retaining hyphens. The search statement for this report number would be:

"EPA and 600 and 2-86 and 066", again making sure to search in the "Keyword" field. Sometimes the report number is contained in the "Notes" field and at other times in the "Series" field, but doing a "Keyword" search should retrieve from either location.

The GPO database record will include the SuDoc number for this document:

EP 1.23/2:600/2-86/066

Using FirstSearch GPO to find other info when you have the SuDoc number

If you have a SuDoc number for a document and need to retrieve other information, search GPO in the Gov Doc Number field, entering the SuDoc number, retaining only the decimal point and skipping all slashes, colons, and hyphens as follows:

ep1.232600286066

EPA Documents at Virginia Tech

Many of the VT documents are cataloged in Addison, and can be located easily by a title or author search. However, some documents are in the collection but not cataloged in Addison. If a patron has a SuDoc number, have them check both the paper and microfiche collections to see if VT has the item. If the patron does not have the SuDoc number, search the GPO database by the report number, as described above, and convert the report number to a SuDoc number. Locations for EPA documents are:

Paper EPA documents classified by SuDoc number

Located on the second floor of Newman Library.

Microfiche EPA documents classified by SuDoc number

In addition to significant holdings in the the EP1.23 series, there are scattered holdings filed under various EP numbers. The following EP numbers were filed as of 2/00:

1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.6, 1.8, 1.17, 1.19, 1.20, 1.21, 1.23, 1.31, 1.35, 1.42, 1.43, 1.46, 1.53, 1.56, 1.57, 1.82, 1.88, 1.89, 1.102, 1.110, 1.113, 1.21, 2.2, 2.8, 2.17, 2.23, 2.28, 3.46, 4.2, 4.8, 4.9, 4.17, 4.18, 4.19, 4.20, 4.22, 4.23, 4.24, 5.2, 5.8, 5.15, 5.17, 5.18, 6.2, 6.8, 6.14, 7.2, 7.8, 7.9, 7.10, 7.11, 8.2

This microfiche is located on the second floor of Newman Library

CD-ROM EPA documents

A number of CD-ROM format documents are in the EPA collection. These are located in the second floor of Newman Library.

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