

EME Advanced Features: Questions and Answers

Is it possible to alter the structure of the EME database?

No, the database structure cannot be changed. However, you can change the content in many of the tables.

Do I have to use MS Access to edit the database, or can I use another database editor instead?

Since the EME database was built in Access, you should use Access to edit it. However, it is not necessary to use the latest version of Access.

If the EME database is stored on a network drive, do all EME users need to have write permission for that directory?

If the users are going to edit EME database values, then they need write permission for the database directory. However, if users simply need to access the EME and load content from the database, they do not need write permission.

Does the spell checker show which EME elements it is checking?

No, the spell check pop-up does not indicate which elements are being checked. The spell check runs on a tab-by-tab basis.

If multiple users are accessing the EME database at the same time, is there an issue with concurrent users?

No known issues have been encountered with concurrent users.

What are the options for exporting FGDC metadata from ArcCatalog?

The EME exporter exports the full metadata record, including ArcGIS tags. The FGDC exporter only exports FGDC fields. The USGS MP Metadata translator tool is another option.

Are there any plans to make an editor that works with ISO metadata?

Yes, the next release of the EPA Metadata Editor (v4.0) will support common-core metadata elements that are compatible with ISO.