



Author Guidelines

1. Manuscript Requirements:

- Author Information: Include the author's academic affiliation, ORCID, and email address.
- Abstract: Provide a concise summary of the manuscript.
- Keywords: Avoid using the same words as in the article's title; limit it to five; written with a capital letter. E.g.: Family, Human Rights, European Law.
- Main Content: The main body of the manuscript may be divided into subsections, starting with an introduction that includes the key sources and methodology. The subsections are numbered with Arabic numbers. The abstract, keywords, conclusion and references sections must remain unnumbered.
- References: including all cited works.

2. Title Page:

Refer to Appendix 1 (see: [Copernican Journal of Law - Title Page](#)) for a sample title page. Shaded sections are to be completed by the editorial team.

3. Font Requirements:

- Main Text: Times New Roman, 12 pt, line spacing 1.15.
- Title: 14 pt, Times New Roman, bold.
- Subtitles/Section Headings: 12 pt, Times New Roman, bold.

4. Quotations:

Quotations should be enclosed in quotation marks, except for quotations that are 40 words or more (i.e. block quotations.)

Block quotations starts on their own line and should be indented (1,5 cm). The punctuation at the end of the block goes before the citation. The ending citation is included on the last line of the block quotation. The text after the block quotation begins on its own line, with no indentation.

All quotes should be precise and faithful to the original. In the case of self-translated passages, include the original in a footnote.

- For standard quotations use “...”
- For emphasis, please use ‘...’- For quotations within quotations, use «...» (the angled quotation mark is a single symbol and should not be created by placing two angled brackets <<...>> together; it can be found in the symbol table.

Please follow this order: closing quotation mark, period at the end of the sentence, footnote.
Example: “Quoted text”.¹



For every quotation, use curly quotation marks: i.e. “x” or ‘x’ (not the straight ones: "x" or 'x').

5. Other aspects:

- Foreign-language terms should be italicized.
- In the text, use the en dash (–) to indicate ranges, such as dates or pages (e.g., "2020–2024" or "pp. 15–20"). For compound words, use the hyphen (-), as in "high-quality research" or "state-of-the-art technology."
- Do not indent the first line of the paragraph or the subtitles.
- All links, such as email addresses, ORCID numbers, HTTPS addresses, DOIs, etc., should be active, meaning they should be clickable hyperlinks. Do not place a period after hyperlinks.
- Instead of the abbreviation “art.” or “Art.”, use the word “Article”.
- Legal acts are included exclusively in footnotes; do not add to the References section.

6. Citation Guidelines

Use In-text citations:

- **For works by a single author:**

(Nowak, 2010), Nowak (2010), or (Nowak, 2010, p. 10) and Nowak (2010, pp. 10–11)

Examples:

“Climate change has significant effects on biodiversity” (Nowak, 2010).

Nowak (2010) discusses the impact of climate change on biodiversity.

“Species migration patterns are changing in response to global warming” (Nowak, 2010, p. 10).

Nowak (2010, pp. 10–11) elaborates on how global warming affects migration patterns.

- **For works by two authors:** follow the same criteria and using a comma between their surnames:

Examples:

“Climate change has significant effects on biodiversity” (Nowak, Kowalski, 2010).

Nowak and Kowalski (2010) discuss the impact of climate change on biodiversity.

“Species migration patterns are changing in response to global warming” (Nowak and Kowalski, 2010, p. 10).

Nowak and Kowalski (2010, pp. 10–11) elaborate on how global warming affects migration patterns.



- **For works by three or more authors:** follow the same criteria using only the first author surname with et al.

(Nowak et al., 1998) or Nowak et al. (1998, pp. 5–6)

- **When citing multiple works, separate them with a semicolon:**

(Nowak, 2010; Kowalski, 2012; Lewandowski et al., 1998)

7. References

In the references, use a hanging indent, meaning the first line of each entry should be aligned to the left, while the subsequent lines are indented by 0.5" (1.27 cm), which is the default setting in Microsoft Word.

In the bibliography (References), include an English translation of the source's titles (in accordance with APA requirements for directly cited sources, not for books or journal titles, where the source is included).

e.g.: Kukułka, J. (1978). *Problemy teorii stosunków międzynarodowych* (Problems of International Relations Theory). Warszawa: Państwowe Wydawnictwo Naukowe.

When the authors have more than one name, use a space between the initials.

- **Book:**

Surname, X. (year). *Title of the book*. Place of publication: Publisher*.

e.g.: Kukułka, J. (1978). *Problemy teorii stosunków międzynarodowych* (Problems of International Relations Theory). Warszawa: Państwowe Wydawnictwo Naukowe.

* Places of publication and publishers should be written in accordance with the original, except for Cyrillic spellings, in which case the Latin spelling/English translation should be maintained.

- **Edited book:**

Surname, X. (ed.). (year). *Title of the book*. Place of publication: Publisher.

e.g.: Kącka, K. (ed.). (2014). *Stosunki międzynarodowe: wokół zagadnień* (International Relations: Around the Issues). Toruń: Wydawnictwo Naukowe UMK.

- **Chapter in an edited volume:**

Surname, X. (year). Title of the chapter. In: Y. Surname, B. Surname (eds.), *Title of the book* (pp. starting page–ending page). Place of publication: Publisher.

e.g.: Kochanowicz, J. (1989). The Polish economy and the evolution of dependency. In: D. Chirot (ed.), *The Origins of Backwardness in Eastern Europe* (pp. 92–130). Berkeley: University of California Press.

- **Journal article:** include DOI numbers for all journals that have them.



Surname, X. (year). Title of the article. *Title of the Journal*, issue number, starting page–ending page. DOI: xxxxxx.

e.g.: Prokop, M. (2017). Typologia reżimów hybrydalnych. Ujęcie teoretyczno-metodologiczne (Typology of Hybrid Regimes: A Theoretical and Methodological Approach). *Historia i Polityka*, 21(28), pp. 27–42. DOI: <http://10.12775/HiP.2017.018>

If there is both a volume number and an issue number, the volume number should be written in italics, while the issue number should be written without italics.

For sources with a DOI or from PubMed, do not provide the access date, as these pages do not change over time.

- **Newspaper article:**

Surname, X. (year.month.day). Title of the article. *Title of the Newspaper*, issue number, starting page–ending page.

e.g.: Żytnicki, P. (2011.11.2). Bronię tej anarchii (I defend this anarchy). *Gazeta Wyborcza*, 125, pp. 2–3.

- **Online source:**

Surname, X. (year). Title of the text. Retrieved month, day and year from website address

e.g.: Malak, K. (2016). *Typologia bezpieczeństwa. Nowe wyzwania* (Typology of Security: New Challenges). Retrieved November 22, 2024, from <http://stosunki-miedzynarodowe.pl/bezpieczenstwo/954-typologia-bezpieczenstwa-nowe-wyzwania>