

Instructions to Authors

General information

Limnological Review is an official journal of Polish Limnological Society and publishes original papers that deal with theoretical and applied freshwater research, including such topics as limnology, ecohydrology, chemistry, physics, biology, sedimentology, hydrogeology and environmental engineering.

The following categories of contributions are published:

1. Research papers, usually 5-15 standard typewritten pages.
2. Review papers, up to 25 standard typewritten pages. A longer manuscripts should be consulted with the editors before submitting.
3. Notes and comments are restricted to 2-3 standard typewritten pages.

The journal also publishes special issues dedicated to a certain topic or geographical region. These issues are guest edited.

All papers, notes and comments must be written in English.

Two copies of the manuscript as well as electronic version on a disk should be submitted to the editorial office or to one of the co-editors. Manuscripts will be checked for language, style and presentation. The substandard manuscripts will be returned to their authors without further essential review.

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Text. Manuscripts, written on one side of A4 format paper, must be double spaced with 2.5 cm margins.

The text should be arranged in the following order:

- *Title page:* This should contain the title of the paper, author(s) name(s), affiliation(s), and address(es) including email(s), and should indicate to whom the proofs should be sent.
- *Abstract:* Abstracts (not exceeding 250 words) should state briefly the scope of the paper, methods, and key results.
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Figures. Figures should match the size of either a column width (8.5 cm) or a page width (17.5 cm). The maximum area to which the figure may be fitted should be limited to the printing area of one page 17.5×23.0 cm. Several figures may be grouped into a plate of one page size.

All figures should be supplied as high resolution (at least 300 d.p.i.) electronic graphics files, saved as TIFF format. Two high resolution print-outs must also be provided as an integral part of a submitted manuscript. For lettering, numbers and symbols on the graphs and diagrams Arial font is strictly recommended. Capital letters should be about 2.5 mm high in the final version (9 pt. font size if there is no necessity of figure scaling). Keys and other details should be confined to the captions and should not be incorporated into the figures, apart from these in maps. Bar scales for maps are preferred to numerical scales. Color figures will not be accepted.

Figure captions should be grouped on a separate sheet(s) of paper that is appended to the manuscript. Do not type captions on the figures themselves.

The number of figures and tables should be reasonable and justified. Figures should not duplicate tables and vice versa. All tables and figures must be mentioned in the text and should be numbered consecutively with arabic numerals. Approximate locations for all tables and figures should be indicated in the margin of the text.

If figures or tables are distinctly substandard, a paper may be returned to its author(s) without review.

References. References should be cited in the text using the name-year system (Borowiak 2000). For two authors, give both names separated by „and” (Borowiak and Lange 2005). When more than two authors, give the first author’s name followed by „et al.” (Borowiak et al. 2000). If the names of the first authors and years are identical in several references, add enough author names to eliminate ambiguity (Naumenko, Guzivaty et al. 2000; Naumenko, Karetnikov et al. 2000). When the reference is structurally a part of a sentence, use parentheses around the year-date only. Initials, only if homonyms occur, should precede family names (D. Borowiak 1999; M. Borowiak 1999). Initials can also be used in case of personal communications (W. Lange pers. commun.).

A reference list (headed „References”) should be arranged alphabetically by author’s name. Only references cited in the text appear in the list. Names and initials of all authors should be provided. Examples:

- *Books:*
Hutchinson G.E., 1957, A treatise on limnology. Volume I. Geography, Physics, and Chemistry, John Wiley and Sons, New York, p. 1015.
- *Chapters (Proceedings, etc.):*
Imboden D.M., Wüest A., 1995, Mixing mechanisms in lakes, [in:] Lerman A., Imboden D., Gat J. (eds), Physics and chemistry of lakes, Springer-Verlag, Berlin Heidelberg: 83-138.
- *Periodicals:*
Borowiak D., 2004, Lakes of Río Horcones valley, Southern Andes, Argentina, *Limnol. Rev.* 4: 11-16.

- *Abstracts:*
Räsänen J., Kauppila T., Salonen V.-T., 2005, Paleolimnological investigation of ten potential naturally eutrophic lakes, [in:] Verh. Internat. Verein. Limnol. 29(1): 197 (abstract).
- *Thesis and Dissertation:*
Borowiak D., 1998, Reżim wodny jezior Niziny Polskiego jako podstawa oceny ich funkcji hydrologicznych (Water regime of Polish Lowland lakes as a base of evaluation of their hydrological functions), Uniwersytet Gdański, Wydz. BGiO, Gdańsk, p. 157 (dissertation).

If two or more papers by the same author were published in the same year, a distinction of these should be made by adding lower-case letters, with „a” first, „b” next, and so forth (Borowiak 2000a, 2000b).

When papers originally published in languages with alphabets other than Latin are placed in the References, author(s) name(s), title of the publication, and the periodical itself (in case of a book publishing house and place of publication) must be transliterated.

All titles of non English publications should be translated into English and added in parentheses. Example:

Naumenko M.A., 1995, Novoe opredelenie morfometricheskikh kharakteristik Ladozhskogo ozera (New estimation of Lake Ladoga morphometrical characteristics), Doklady Akademii Nauk 345: 514-517 (in Russian).

Units. International System of Units (SI) is only acceptable, but for temperature degree Celsius (°C) is recommended. Although only kilogram (kg) has a definition in the SI system the gramme (g) can be used as a unit of mass. For longer time intervals the traditional units of civil time: minute (min), hour (h), day (d), year (yr) should be used. The liter (l) as a volume unit is strictly recommended for the presentation of various ions (mg l⁻¹ SO₄) and compounds concentration, and for specific runoff (l s⁻¹ km⁻²). Combined expressions should be presented using negative exponents (kg m⁻² s⁻¹). Using of the prefixes for SI units corresponding to numerical values is recommended wherever possible.

Abbreviations. Widely known abbreviations (DO, BOD, TOC, DOC) may be used in text as well as in figures and tables accompanying the text. For less familiar abbreviations it is compulsory to give full statement of the abbreviation meaning at the first occurrence.