

RSR Reviewer Form Template

Reviewers may recommend one of four different overall decisions (Accept, Minor Revision, Major Revision, or Reject) based on the following categories: 1) originality, 2) relationship to literature, 3) methodology, 4) results, 5) implications for research, practice and/or society, and 6) the quality of the communication. The editors will take into account the overall recommendations of the reviewers as well as the detailed comments on each of the six criteria when making a final decision. Reviewers do not always agree on a final recommendation. The comments a reviewer makes are helpful for both the editor for making a decision, and the author in making revisions (even if the recommendation is to accept or reject.)

When submitting a review, the below questions are asked. Note that although the questions are framed as closed (yes/no) questions, the editors and authors need more than a simple yes/no response. Please provide thorough, constructive comments in each section. Review the [Example Reviews](#) to better understand what an acceptable review includes.

1. Originality:

Does the paper contain new and significant information adequate to justify publication?

2. Relationship to Literature:

Does the paper demonstrate an adequate understanding of the relevant literature in the field and cite an appropriate range of literature sources? Is any significant work ignored?

3. Methodology:

Is the paper's argument built on an appropriate base of theory, concepts or other ideas? Has the research or equivalent intellectual work on which the paper is based been well designed? Are the methods employed appropriate?

4. Results:

Are results presented clearly and analysed appropriately? Do the conclusions adequately tie together the other elements of the paper?

5. Implications for research, practice and/or society:

Does the paper identify clearly any implications for research, practice and/or society? Does the paper bridge the gap between theory and practice? How can the research be used in practice (economic and commercial impact), in teaching, to influence public policy, in research (contributing to the body of knowledge)? What is the impact upon society (influencing public attitudes, affecting quality of life)? Are these implications consistent with the findings and conclusions of the paper?

6. Quality of Communication:

Does the paper clearly express its case, measured against the technical language of the fields and the expected knowledge of the journal's readership? Has attention been paid to the clarity of expression and readability, such as sentence structure, jargon use, acronyms, etc.

Comments

Confidential Comments to the Editor-in-Chief

Comments to the Author