

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

1. Authors can submit articles, review articles, polemics, reviews, and reports. Articles and review articles must meet the requirements of a scientific text. Authors may submit texts in English or Polish.
2. The length of manuscripts submitted to RPEiS should be between 40,000 and 60,000 characters (c. 8,000 words), including spacing and abstracts, footnotes, reference list, and tables and figures, in the case of articles, and a maximum of 10,000 characters (1,500 words) for reviews and reports.
3. The submitted text should be anonymized – any information (e.g. concerning grants) making it possible to identify the author(s) should be removed from the main text and footnotes, as well as from the file metadata. References should follow the requirements of the journal ([APA Style](#)).
4. The [Title page](#) with the author's/authors' personal details, affiliation, correspondence address, telephone number, institutional email address, and [ORCID identifier](#) must be attached. The authors also provide details of individual contribution to the article, conflict of interests, funding, use of AI tools and availability of research data.
5. Manuscripts should be submitted via <https://pressto.amu.edu.pl/index.php/rpeis/about/submissions>
6. All tables or figures in the body of the text must be editable. The minimum line width should be 0.4 pts and the width of tables and figures should not be larger than the column format (126 × 180 mm).
7. Abstracts in English and Polish must be attached (max 250 words) with a list of keywords (max 5).
8. A declaration must be attached to the submission ([RPEiS Declaration](#)). After the text has been accepted for publication, the author will sign a publishing agreement with the journal.
9. The deadline for authors' proofreading is one week. Thereafter the manuscript will be sent for publication with the editors' revisions only.
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EDITORIAL PRINCIPLES

We kindly ask the authors to read the following principles carefully. The adequate preparation of the manuscript and required attachments are requirements for their text to proceed to the review process.

I. General observations

1. Manuscript submission

1.1. Authors can submit articles, review articles, polemics, reviews, and reports.

- Articles and review articles must meet the requirements of a scientific text.
- Reviews must relate to books published within the last two years (reviews of handbooks or manuals cannot be submitted for publication).
- RPEiS does not publish commentaries on judgements (glosses).
- Authors may submit texts in English or Polish.

1.2. The submitted text should be anonymized: any information (e.g. concerning grants) making it possible to identify the author(s) should be removed from the main text and references, as well as from the file metadata. References should follow the requirements of the journal ([APA Style, 7th ed.](#)). The [Title page](#) with the author's/authors' personal details, affiliation, correspondence address, telephone number, institutional email address, and [ORCID identifier](#) must be attached as a separate file. The author(s) also provide detailed information on individual contribution to the article, conflict of interests, funding (*financial disclosure*), use of AI tools and availability of research data.

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II. Manuscript guidelines

1. Manuscript (in a single file)

- a) Language of the manuscript: English or Polish;
- b) The text should be anonymized (see [RPEiS Declaration](#));
- c) File format: MS Word (.doc, .docx);
- d) Font Times New Roman, 12 pts, spacing 1.5 pts, pages numbered;
- e) The length of the manuscript:
 - article/review article: 40,000–60,000 characters/c. 8,000 words (including spaces, abstracts, notes and bibliography, as well as figures and tables),
 - review/report: 10,000 characters / c. 1,500 words;
- f) Title of the text both in English and Polish (maximum 12 words each);
- g) Abstracts in English and Polish: max 250 words each. The abstracts should include: (1) reasons for undertaking the research, (2) the aim of the research, (3) research method(s), (4) conclusions;
- h) Keywords in English and Polish: max 5 words in each language;
- i) JEL classification (economics section);
- j) The structure of the text should be marked with sections' headings (I, 1, 1.1; II, 1, 1.1...);
- k) Tables and figures: max of 5 tables and 5 figures. **Tables and figures should be editable**; the minimum line thickness of the figure should be 0.4 pts and the width of tables and figures should not be larger than the column format (126 × 180 mm). A caption and source should be provided for each table and figure. When calculating the length of the manuscript. **Please note that each table, figure, etc. is equivalent to approximately 1,000 characters, which should be added to the word processor's character statistics** (see also II.1.e). Additional illustrative material can be included as an appendix, which will only be made available online and will not be a part of the published paper (will not be copyedited by RPEiS);
- l) We encourage authors to deposit research data in open data repositories;
- m) References and bibliography according to APA Style (author-date, in-text citation);
- n) For English texts, we prefer spelling as in the *Oxford English Dictionary* (for authors for which English is not the native language, we recommend that the text be checked by a native speaker before submission);
- o) All abbreviations should be explained. Following the RPEiS tradition, in the footnotes in Polish, we use abbreviations to denote the publication of acts of law and case law (see II.3.2).

2. If the article receives positive reviews and is accepted for publication, RPEiS requires the authors to complete all remaining formal deficiencies (e.g. required information on the author's contribution, missing bibliographic data, etc.).

3. References, figures and tables should be edited according to APA Style (7th ed.), except acts of law, case law and documents: their full bibliographical details should be included in the footnotes, as well as a general reference to webpages or platforms should be included in footnotes.

3.1. References – following APA Style – are placed in the main text (author-date, in-text citation). References in brackets are given in alphabetical order. The abbreviations 'ibid.', 'id.', 'op. cit.' are not used in APA Style. All cited works should be listed in the reference list.

Reference examples (in-text citation)

Narrative citation (one author)

Behar-Villegas (2022) noted the meaning

Parenthetical citation (one author)

In the study discussed (Behar-Villegas, 2022)

<i>Reference list entry</i>	Behar-Villegas, E. (2022). Absurda lex, sed lex? Public value and the decay of the Rule of Law: A conceptual perspective. <i>Economics and Business Review</i> , 8(3), 7–26. https://doi.org/10.18559/ebr.2022.3.2
<i>Narrative citation (two authors)</i> <i>Parenthetical citation (two authors)</i> <i>Reference list entry</i>	Gornowicz and Wichowska (2017, p. 27) argue Studies confirm (Gornowicz & Wichowska, 2017, p. 27) Gornowicz, M., & Wichowska, A. (2017). Struktura demograficzna a dochody gmin województwa warmińsko-mazurskiego w latach 2010–2014 [<i>Demographic structure and incomes of municipalities of Warmia and Mazury in 2010–2014</i>]. <i>Społeczeństwo i Ekonomia</i> , 1(7), 61–72. https://doi.org/10.15611/sie.2017.1.05
<i>Narrative citation (three or more authors)</i> <i>Parenthetical citation (three or more authors)</i> <i>Reference list entry</i>	Epstein et al. (2006) argue Last studies (Epstein et al., 2006) Epstein, L., Lindstädt, R., Segal, J., & Westerland, Ch. (2006). The changing dynamics of Senate voting on Supreme Court nominees. <i>The Journal of Politics</i> , 68(2), 296–307. https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1468-2508.2006.00407.x
<i>Narrative citation (dictionary, thesaurus, encyclopaedia, etc.)</i> <i>Parenthetical citation (dictionary, thesaurus, encyclopaedia, etc.)</i> <i>Reference list entry</i>	<i>Cambridge Dictionary</i> (n.d.) provides various meanings of the word <i>translation</i> The word <i>translation</i> (<i>Cambridge Dictionary</i> , n.d.) <i>Cambridge Dictionary</i> . (n.d.). Translation. Retrieved 30 October 2023, from https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/translation
<i>Narrative citation (group author)</i> <i>Parenthetical citation (group author)</i> <i>Reference list entry</i>	Statistics Poland (2023, p. 11) estimates The aging process of the population (Statistics Poland, 2023) is Statistics Poland. (2023). <i>Size and structure and vital statistics in Poland by territorial division. As of 31 December</i> . https://stat.gov.pl/en/topics/population/population/population-size-and-structure-and-vital-statistics-in-poland-by-territorial-division-as-of-31-december.3,33.html
legal commentary	
<i>Narrative citation (legal commentary)</i> <i>Parenthetical citation (legal commentary)</i> <i>Reference list entry</i>	Pruś (2021, s. 622) argues It is assumed (Pruś, 2021, p. 623) Pruś, P. (2021). Komentarz do art. 626 ¹ K.p.c. [<i>Commentary on Article 6 of the Code of Civil Procedure</i>]. In M. Manowska (Ed.), <i>Kodeks postępowania cywilnego. Komentarz: Volume 2. Art. 506–1217</i> (pp. 622–624). Wolters Kluwer.
websites and webpages	
<i>All webpages and website resources (newspaper articles, blog posts, etc.) have an individual or group author and are cited as above examples (single-, double-, multi-author). The DOI or URL of the text should be given. If the works cited have a permanent identifier or are archived, there is no need to specify the date of retrieval. If the page is not archived or the text is updated, the date of retrieval should be given (e.g. Retrieved 20 March 2024, from https://.....).</i>	
<i>Narrative citation</i> <i>Parenthetical citation</i> <i>Reference list entry</i>	According to Wysocki (2020), The main newspaper describes (Wysocki, 2020) Wysocki, G. (2020, 29 October). Strajki kobiet. 100 najlepszych haseł z protestów [<i>Women’s Strike: The 100 best slogans from the protests</i>]. <i>Gazeta Wyborcza</i> . https://warszawa.wyborcza.pl/warszawa/7,54420,26458584,jarek-tak-naprawde-lubikobiety-ale-nie-wie-jak-zagadac-100.html
blog post	
<i>Narrative citation</i> <i>Parenthetical citation</i> <i>Reference list entry</i>	As addressed by Hoch (2024) Examples of possible abuses (Hoch, 2024) Hoch, R. (2024, 24 September). Policy-based approaches to combat large-scale integrity threats. <i>The Official PLOS Blog</i> . https://theplosblog.plos.org/2024/09/policy-based-approaches-to-combat-large-scale-integrity-threats/

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Running text All Polish legal acts can be retrieved from the Sejm RP website.¹

Footnote ¹ <https://isap.sejm.gov.pl/isap.nsf/home.xsp>

3.2. Footnotes: The footnotes should provide full bibliographic data of legal acts, case law, and documents, as well as general references to portals, websites or webpages. They are not included in the reference list.

Supplementary comments, information and references may also be included in footnotes.

Footnote examples

legal acts, case law

Running text Regulations contained in Directive 2010/64/EU⁴

Footnote ⁴ Directive 2010/64/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 October 2010 on the right to interpretation and translation in criminal proceedings, OJ L 280, 26.10.2010, pp. 1–7.

Running text In this context, the European Commission (EC) has defined the rule of law⁵

Footnote ⁵ Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council: *A new EU Framework to strengthen the Rule of Law*, COM(2014)0158 final, <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=celex:52014DC0158>

Running text The Court of Justice of the European Union in *Otdeli case*⁶

Footnote ⁶ Judgement of the Court (Eighth Chamber) of 9 March 2023, C-752/21, *Otdel 'Mitnichesko razsledvane i razuznavane'*, ECLI:EU:C:2023:179.

Running text The problem was addressed by the United Nations⁷

Footnote ⁷ UN. Secretary-General, *Agenda for Peace: peacemaking and peace-keeping: Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to the statement adopted by the Summit Meeting of the Security Council on 31 January 1992 / Boutros Boutros-Ghali*, [ST/DPI/1247, UN Department of Public Information, 1992, <http://www.un-documents.net/a47-277.htm>

Running text The most informative is the *Merriam-Webster Thesaurus*⁸

Footnote ⁸ <https://www.merriam-webster.com/thesaurus>

In subsequent references (both in the running text and footnotes) to acts of law, documents, case law, etc., we use abbreviations, e.g. Article 2 of Directive 2010/64/EU; The Court in Otdeli (para. 49).

Acts of law and case law should be cited according to the custom of the country of origin.

3.3. Reference list: The reference list contains works cited in the article (except personal communications, legal acts and case law). All reference entries must be in the Latin alphabet. DOIs or publication URLs should be given (they should be active and not followed by a full stop). Italicize only journal (full) titles, volume numbers, and book titles. Translators of articles/books should be indicated. Only the publisher is given for books. If multiple works by the same author(s) have identical publication years, append letters to the years (a, b, c).

The English translation [in square brackets] should be provided for non-English reference entries. (We recommend using official translations of titles accompanying abstracts of articles/monographs available in the papers or on the publishers' websites).

Gornowicz, M., & Wichowska, A. (2017). *Struktura demograficzna a dochody gmin województwa warmińsko-mazurskiego w latach 2010–2014* [*Demographic structure and incomes of municipalities of Warmia and Mazury in 2010–2014*]. *Spółeczeństwo i Ekonomia*, 1(7), 61–72. <https://doi.org/10.15611/sie.2017.1.05>

Wiliński, P. (2020). *Zarys teorii konfliktu w prawie karnym* [*Introduction to conflict theory in criminal law*]. Wolters Kluwer Polska.

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book chapter

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Vayena, E., & Golombok, S. (2012). Challenges in intra-family donation. In M. Richards, G. Pennings & J. B. Appleby (Eds.), *Reproductive donation: Practice, policy and bioethics* (pp. 168–188). Cambridge University Press. <https://doi.org/10.1017/CBO9781139026390.010>

Garrido Carrillo, F. J., & Jiménez Martín, J. (2021). Guide to good practices in procedural treatment of minor offenders: the procedural guarantees of suspected or accused minors in criminal proceedings. In C. Arangüena Fanego, M. de Hoyos Sancho & A. Hernández López (Eds.), *Procedural safeguards for suspects and accused persons in criminal proceedings good practices throughout the European Union* (pp. 73–80). Springer. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-61177-4_5

book

Tamanaha, B. (2006). *Law as a means to an end: Threat to the rule of law*. Cambridge University Press. <https://doi.org/10.1017/CBO9780511511073>

dictionary, thesaurus, encyclopaedia, etc.

Cambridge Dictionary. (n.d.). Translation. Retrieved 30 October 2023, from <https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/translation>

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Website sources, having an author (or group author), should be cited as the works indicated above (one, two, three or more authors). The retrieval date is not required if they have a permanent identifier (e.g. DOI). The retrieval date should be indicated if the webpage is not archived (e.g. Retrieved 20 March 2024, from <https://.....>).

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