

How to publish with OEJV

1. Introduction

The Open European Journal on Variable Stars (OEJV) is an online electronic journal offering an easy way for publishing your results on variable stars. It is dedicated to amateur as well as professional astronomers who want to present their results to the community. The OEJV mainly publishes **original** reports on new discoveries, lists of minima/maxima timings, conference proceedings and various studies of variable stars. All submitted papers have to successfully undergo a refereeing process ensured by the editorial board. This guarantees a high quality standard of the published papers.

The OEJV has an ISSN identification and each contribution gets a DOI number.

2. Preparation of your manuscript

To make the author's work easier, we offer templates in [LaTeX](#) and [Microsoft WORD](#) format, which can be downloaded here. In order to keep OEJV publications as uniform as possible, authors are required to use the corresponding LaTeX style file (oejv.sty) and pay attention to an appropriate layout when using the WORD template.

We only accept papers in English.

2.1. General recommendations/requests

- Before you start writing, think about your paper - what is important, what is the main goal of your paper, how to structure the manuscript, what should follow after particular section etc.
- Be as illustrative as possible - write only what is important in understandable form, use tables and figures (tells more than the best description).
- Use well resolvable figures and graphs with well readable labels and legends .
- When you publish paper based on original measurements or when the paper contains very long table, these should be enclosed as Appendices in simple ASCII file with extension '.txt' with described columns. Do not forget to note this fact in the text.

2.2. Word template

The structure of the publication should be obvious from the template. The format of essential parts of the text are defined in the template, thus authors should be fine with copy-paste and changing of captions according to the requirements. The author should give the month and year of publication in the heading. No other items should be modified

in the paper heading! In general, the format can be described as follows:

- Font
 - the default font family of the entire text is Times New Roman (do not use other fonts except for the title which is in Arial font family),
 - size of the font for different parts: common text 12 pt, abstract heading 12 pt bold, abstract text 11 pt, affiliations 9 pt, headings of sections 14 pt (bold), headings of subsections 13 pt, title of the paper 14 pt (bold), captions of tables and figures 11 pt, acknowledgement heading 12 pt, acknowledgement text 10 pt,
 - references to tables, figures, equations etc. should be highlighted by red colour.
- Spaces
 - line spacing is 1.15 pt,
 - between heading of the section and text 12 pt,
 - between text and next section 24 pt,
 - between caption of the table and table 8 pt, the same applies for figure and caption,
 - between table and following text 12 pt, between caption of the figure and text 12 pt.
- Tables
 - caption should be placed above table,
 - no lines between columns,
 - line on the top border, double line between the head of the table and table content,
 - line on the bottom border.
- Figures
 - caption should be placed below figure,
 - in the case of multiple figure, or figure with close-ups do not forget to comment also these details.
- References
 - standard format is widely described in the template,
 - references should include a link to the ADS portal through its bibcode as a hyperlink.

2.3. Typographical and other recommendations/requests

- give full exact identification of stars according to formats of particular catalogue (e.g. GCVS: VXXXX Con, GSC XXXXX-XXXXX, USNO-B1.0 XXXX-XXXXXXXXX etc.),
- use decimal point instead of decimal comma,
- do not use bold face where it is not required (see item font in sec. Word template) or colour-highlighted text except for red references to sections, tables etc. (in LaTeX automatically generated),
- if the title of the paper is longer than the width of the text then divide the title to two rows,
- captions should end with point,
- items should end with comma or point when they are in sentence,

- units, indexes, mark of derivative (e.g. dx) should be typed in normal font-face,
- variables, filters, counting indexes should be typed in italics,
- software should be typed in small capital letters,
- new page should not begin with one row,
- tables and figures should appear after their mentioning in the text,
- all tables, figures and equations should be numbered,
- a row should not end with preposition or short conjunction,
- symbols for physical units and other marks given in the text or in equations should be explicitly explained,
- when more than one author, email of the first author is sufficient,
- figures showing field of view (charts) should contain scale and orientation marks.

3. How to submit your paper

Please submit your PDF file of the contribution to oejv@physics.muni.cz. The editor will ask if there are any additional information such as measurements and large tables as Appendices needed at this stage. If you have a problem with the conversion from the DOC to PDF format, please let us know.

4. Approval process

You will obtain a confirmation email no later than one week after your submission. (If you do not receive an email within the specified time span, please let us know at oejv@physics.muni.cz). The paper will then undergo the refereeing process ensured by the OEJV editors. The corresponding referee report will be sent to you no later than one month after your submission. Based on the editors' feedback, you should then prepare a revised version of your paper and resubmit for another round of the refereeing process. After all requests by the editors have been addressed, your paper will be published.

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