Appendix IV: Guidelines for Paper submission

1. The style should be reasonably formal, but should be as clear and understandable as possible. Enough information should be included to allow a reader to reproduce any mathematical or numerical results. The maximum text size to be 15,000 words.

2. Each paper must include an abstract, keywords and contact details of the author/s. The abstract, which should be about 100-150 words, should be written so that others are encouraged to read the paper. It should give the main objectives and conclusions of the paper.

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5. Guidelines for formatting of paper;

5.1 Order of paper

Each paper contains:
- Title
- Author(s) name(s)
- Abstract
- Keywords
- Correspondence details
- introduction
- Text
- Acknowledgement
- References and
- Appendix (ces)

5.2 Title

The title of the paper has an initial capital only, e.g.: Indian actuarial profession

5.3 Author’s name(s)

The author or authors’ name(s) are below the title with an asterisk denoting the corresponding author e.g.: Jagan Nath* and Alam Sarkar

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It is a summary of the paper, in one long or two or three short paragraphs. e.g.: 
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Keywords

Actuarial Profession, Examinations, Assessment, Research, Actuary India

5.6 Correspondence details

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All sections are numbered and each section (apart from the introduction) can be divided into numbered sub-sections (if required). Numbered paragraphs are not needed but encouraged.

N.B.: If using acronyms the full name/title must be given at the first mention followed by the initials in brackets e.g. Institute of Actuaries of India (IAI) which can then be subsequently referred to as IAI.

5.8 Formulae

If formulae are numbered, do so consecutively after each formula with the number placed in brackets e.g. E(X) = \int x f(x) \, dx \ldots (1)

5.9 Acknowledgements

Often authors like to include acknowledgements to those who have helped them in the development of their paper. These should appear at the end of the main text. e.g.:

Acknowledgements

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5.10 References

References in the text should be in the form: Heavy & Light (1999) or (see Heavy et al., 1999).

If there are two authors ‘&’ should be used between surnames, if more than two, only the first named author’s surname should be used followed by et al., see above example.

Place brackets around the year if appearing in the text, if appearing within bracketed comments, a comma should follow the authors’ names before the year, see above examples.
List of references

The full references must be given in this section and ALL references must be cross-referenced within the text. References are in alphabetical order by first author, and in date order for any one author. If URLs are given, the date of access must be shown.

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All authors’ names must be shown, with surname first, followed by initials, & before the last name, year in brackets followed by a full stop.

Journal references – full title of paper, followed by journal name in full and in italics. Volume number follows in bold, followed by page numbers (not in bold).


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5.11 Appendix (ces)

Appendices must follow the references.

5.12 Figures, tables and illustrations

When using figures, tables and illustrations throughout the paper, please follow these guidelines.

5.13 General guidelines
i. All figures and tables should be numbered throughout the paper, and should have a heading or caption.

ii. Please use explicit references to the figures and tables in the text (e.g. ‘see table 4’). Avoid words like ‘above’ and ‘below’, as after typesetting the figures and tables might not appear as they do in the manuscript.

iii. All figures should be supplied as separate files. Please do not embed the figures in the text.

iv. Please ensure that the material you submit is of the best possible quality e.g. avoid using tinted panels or surrounding borders, the range of tints in grey scale illustrations should be above 15%.

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vi. Common packages such as Adobe Illustrator have options which allow you to output to TIFF or EPS, and we would prefer it if you could supply your files in this format.

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- Microsoft PowerPoint files
- Images created in Microsoft Word
- GIF images downloaded from the web

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