

## **Quality Control & Minimum Criteria**

COPE's <u>Code of Conduct and Best Practice Guidelines for Journal Editors</u>, <u>Ethical Guidelines for Peer Reviewers</u> and <u>Policy & Ethics</u> provides all of the editors, authors and reviewers with the major criteria, which are as it follows:

- It is prohibited for any scientist to be a co-author for more than 2-3 papers within the framework of 1 volume as well as to deal with papers specializing in distant research areas;
- It is an obligation that all authors should be representatives from different countries as well as different continents, since internationalization of authors is highly essential;
- It is an obligation that all reviewers should be representatives from different countries as well as different continents, since internationalization of reviewers is highly essential;
- It is necessary that each paper should be reviewed by at least two independent scientists specializing in the specific area of research;
- It is rigorously demanded that any conflict of interests between any parties at any stage of peer-review and final decision should be avoided;
- Plagiarism and self-plagiarism are strictly prohibited and cannot be accepted;
- It is a must that all research topics of papers should be maintained within the scope of a particular journal. Papers specializing in other scientific spheres cannot be accepted for publication;
- Citation Manipulations, namely such phenomena as: high self-citation and reviewers' recommendations to cite their scientific research, are impermissible and not allowed.

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