

Peer review procedure

1. All manuscripts received by the Editorial Board and complying with the Journal profile, are peer-reviewed, upon which the Editorial Board comes to the decision on the possibility of publishing them in the Journal. The journal uses blind peer review.
2. Manuscripts are evaluated by independent reviewers, who are recognized experts specializing in the scholarly area of the reviewed papers and have had publications in the area in the last three years.
3. Papers are reviewed confidentially. Violation of confidentiality is possible only in the cases when a reviewer points on unauthenticity or falsification of the materials expounded in the article.
4. Reviewers are informed that the manuscripts forwarded to them are the author's private property and are not subject to disclosure. The reviewers are not allowed to copy the manuscripts for their purposes.
5. If the review contains recommendations to improve the paper, the manuscript is sent to the author for revision. An article sent to the author for revision should be improved and returned to the Editorial Board as soon as possible. An article that has been delayed for more than three months is considered a new submission. The revised manuscript must be accompanied by a letter from the authors containing answers to all comments of the reviewer and an explanation of all changes made to the article. Returning an article for revision does not mean that the article will be published. The revised article is sent by the Editorial Board for re-review.
6. In case of disagreement with the opinion of the reviewer, the author has the right to give a reasoned answer to the Editorial Board. The paper can be either referred to another review or to the Editorial Board for approval. If the author refuses to modify the article, he must attach a written justification of the reason for his refusal. The final decision on publication in controversial cases is made by the Editor in Chief.
7. After the paper has been reviewed, the Executive Editor arrives at the decision on its suitability for publication; the decision can be made by the entire Editorial Board, if necessary.
8. The journal Editorial Board forwards to the authors the decision and the copies of the reviews or a justified rejection.
9. The reviews are stored at the Editorial office for at least 5 years.
10. The Editorial Board sends copies of reviews to the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation upon request.