

# Instructions For Contributions To The Journal Of Aquatic Plant Management

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## *General Information*

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Use active voice and first person whenever appropriate with precision, clarity, and economy. The "CBE Style Manual" is the appropriate authority for all aspects of writing and publishing in the Journal of Aquatic Plant Management. Authors should also consult recent issues of the Journal for form and style.

Manuscripts should be typewritten, double-spaced, with wide margins (1½ inch) on 8½ x 11-inch bond paper. Although there is no page limit, most manuscripts should not exceed 16 typewritten pages plus tables and illustrations. Number all pages. Tabular data and illustrations together should constitute no more than about 20% of the total printed article. Short reports, containing less than 3,000 words and one table or figure, will be considered as "notes," and placed in the section so designated in the Journal. Consult recent issues of the Journal for appropriate format and style.

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The original and two photocopies of the manuscript, properly assembled, should be submitted to: William T. Haller, Editor, University of Florida, Center for Aquatic Weeds, 7922 N.W. 71st Street, Gainesville, FL 32606. The author(s) should retain an additional copy to insure against loss.

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The TITLE should be informative and short, preferably 10 words or less, and centered at the top of the first page. The author(s) names should be centered under the title and be immediately followed by the ABSTRACT. Author's titles and addresses will be listed as a footnote. See Volume 21, page 1 as an example.

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Each TABLE should be placed on a separate page. The

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All tabular data should generally be statistically analyzed.

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References should be listed in alphabetical order in the LITERATURE, CITED section according to the rules outlined in the "CBE Style Manual." Check recent issues of the Journal for examples of proper citations. References are identified in the text by Arabic numerals enclosed in parentheses or by the author name and year method. Use one method or the other, but not a mixture in the same

TABLE 1. THE INFLUENCE OF AIR TEMPERATURE (C) ON THE GROWTH (FRESH WT.) OF WATERHYACINTHS (KG/M<sup>2</sup>/DAY) IN LAKE MICHIGAN AND HOT SPRINGS. THE TEMPERATURE VALUES ARE PRESENTED AS MONTHLY MEAN TEMPERATURES MEASURED 0.5 M ABOVE THE WATER SURFACE.<sup>a</sup>

Month	Lake Michigan		Hot Springs	
	Temp. (C) <sup>b</sup>	Growth <sup>c</sup> (kg/m <sup>2</sup> /day) <sup>b</sup>	Temp (C) <sup>b</sup>	Growth <sup>c</sup> (kg/m <sup>2</sup> /day) <sup>b</sup>
Jan.	4.3	0.0 <sup>a</sup>	17.7	4.6 <sup>ab</sup>
Apr.	11.0	1.3 <sup>b</sup>	18.1	5.3 <sup>b</sup>
June	19.4	5.9 <sup>c</sup>	22.3	6.1 <sup>c</sup>
Aug.	21.8	6.3 <sup>c</sup>	22.0	5.7 <sup>bc</sup>
Dec.	7.1	0.4 <sup>ab</sup>	15.4	3.9 <sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Waterhyacinths were grown in 2 m<sup>2</sup> frames at each location.

<sup>b</sup> The units of measurement can be placed either in the table legend or in the table itself.

<sup>c</sup> Values in a column followed by the same letter are not significantly different according to some statistical tests. Each value is the mean of x replications.

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