

## Journal Style Sheet

The Revista Portuguesa de Ciência Política (RPCP) – Portuguese Journal of Political Science – has a planned biannual printing of 300 copies, and there may be room for editing some special and thematic editions. The circulation of the RPCP has a national and regional scope. The distribution of the journal will be extended to the Portuguese communities abroad with interest in scientific publication.

1. The articles submitted for consideration must be original and unpublished. Book reviews should examine recent literature, being the publication no longer than two years old. Once the articles are submitted to the evaluation process of RPCP, at no time they may be submitted to other journals. The texts can be presented in Portuguese, Castilian and English. All articles written in Portuguese should comply with the rules relating to the 2009 Portuguese orthographic agreement.

2. The articles should preferably have up to 6,000 words, including notes, bibliography and images. Book reviews should not exceed 2,000 words.

3. For the submission of texts it is mandatory to use the template available [HERE](#).

4. At no time may the author identify himself or provide any information that allows his identification, under penalty of being excluded from the process. In

this sense, information regarding the author should only be included in the template available [HERE](#).

5. Citations from third-party sources must comply with current copyright laws in accordance with [Ethical Standards](#).

6. The RPCP follows the Bibliographic reference standards APA, 6th edition, according to the [APA STYLE GUIDE](#).

7. It is mandatory to fulfill the following "commitment of honor" by the author in the act of sending the article, in which he affirms that he agrees with the publication standards and Ethical Standards and ensures compliance. To this end the author shall, in the e-mail, reproduce the following text completing the missing data:

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8. The submitted texts will be, on first instance, analysed by the editorial board and may be rejected or subjected to peer review process. The acceptable articles are then subjected to one or two referees through a blind review system of pairs. The final decision about publication of the proposed article, to be published in the RPCP, will be taken by the editorial board, considering the opinions of the referees. The scientific review of the book reviews rests with the editorial board.

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changes and revisions of form in the purpose of adapting it to the editorial style of RPCP.

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