Information for Contributors

General

In general, papers are expected to be 6 000–10 000 words in length (including footnotes), with 6–8 illustrations (including tables). Research Notes are expected to be less than 4 000 words in length (including endnotes) with 4–5 illustrations (including tables).

All submissions must also include the following:

- a 150-word abstract;
- a 50-word biographical statement including current affiliation; and
- contact information provided on a separate sheet, including address, phone, fax and email.

Three hard copies of the paper are to be provided, in the following format:

- double-spaced;
- with wide margins on either side;
- single-sided;
- with page numbers; and
- acknowledgements (if included) at the end of the paper, before references.

A computer version of all text must be provided, together with computer versions of all associated image files (e.g. illustrations, tables, etc), if possible. Please note:

- the computer version can be disc or email (the latter at the Editor’s discretion);
- text files should be in MS Word and Rich Text Format (in case of translation problems);
- tables should be supplied in MS Word and charts in separate individual Excel or MS Word files; and
- any discs submitted to the Editor should be labelled with author’s name as well as the filename(s).

Text

Referencing is to follow the Harvard convention of in-text referencing, for example (Smith 1997:12). No footnotes will be accepted, and endnotes are to be used only where absolutely necessary.

Examples of the bibliographic format follow (note the full-stops, commas and capitalisation of authors’ names):

BAIRSTOW, D. 1994 Millers Point Site 8900: Historical archaeology master strategy, unpublished report for NSW Department of Housing.


British spelling is to be used throughout.

In general, follow the guidelines set out in the Australian Government Style Manual, especially as regards numeric and metric conventions. In particular, the following formats are used by AHA:

- numbers 10 000 and over with spaces as the thousands delimiter
- numbers with decimal places given as numerals, e.g. 8.4
- dates as 1978–1979 not 1978–79 or 1978–9
- spell out percent in text, abbreviate to % in tables
- measurements should be given in metric, unless taken from a primary source
- if necessary, the Imperial measurement can follow in brackets, e.g. 0.9 m (3 feet)
- where measurements are given in Imperial, the metric conversion should follow in brackets
- metric units should be abbreviated, without a full stop, e.g. 9 m not 9 m. or 9 metres

- Imperial measurements should be spelt out, e.g. feet not ’ (except in the case of currency where £ should be used)
- hyphenate compound adjectives, e.g. nineteenth-century housing not nineteenth century housing.

Illustrations

Photographs: The original prints or slides should be provided, either colour or monochrome. Photocopies and screen-printed items are unsatisfactory.

Half-tone drawings and diagrams: For hand-drawn items the originals should be provided. For those produced on a computer, an electronic file in any common format (e.g. BMP, JPEG, PCX, TIF) is best. Photocopies and items produced on a computer printer are normally unsatisfactory.

Line drawings: Originals or good quality (at least 600 dpi resolution) photocopies or laser printer output are all usually satisfactory.

Identification and citations: All illustrations should be clearly labelled with the author’s name and figure number on reverse. Captions must be provided. Where historical artwork or photographs are used, the source should be clearly cited in the caption.

Tables and charts should be in monochrome. Tables should be in the format shown in the sample table below, either in column- or page-width.

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Once the author has addressed these comments, they will submit an electronic and hard-copy version of the final. This will be reviewed by the Editor for stylistic consistency before the copy is type-set.

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