

Provisions for the *Bulletin* of JSME

(Purpose)

Article 1. The Japan Society of Mechanical Engineers publishes the *Bulletin* of the JSME with the aim of contributing to the development, peace, and welfare of human society by progressing the academic arts of fields related to machinery and mechanical systems.

(Papers Published in the Bulletin of JSME)

Article 2. The bulletin of JSME publishes original papers that must have novelty and reliability with either remarkableness of originality, exploratory development or utility in engineering and industry. Review papers that discuss the trends and prospects of specialized field by examining and citing research papers in the fields are posted, as well.

(Composition of the Bulletin of JSME)

Article 3.1 The Bulletin of JSME consists of seven journals in total: three are journals dealing with mechanical engineering in general; the other four are English journals that each deal with a specialized field. The target field of each specialized journal is specified separately.

3.2 Translated version (Selected Paper) of original papers on the bulletin of JSME is publishable with the recommendation of the Editorial Committee.

(General Journals)

- **Mechanical Engineering Journal (MEJ):** A general journal in English that carries the original paper, review paper and selected paper
- **Mechanical Engineering Letters (MEL):** A general journal in English that carries a short original paper worthy of a quick announcement
- **Transactions of the JSME (in Japanese) (Mechanical papers):** A general journal in Japanese that carries original paper, review paper

(Specialized Journals)

- **Journal of Fluid Science and Technology (JFST)**
- **Journal of Thermal Science and Technology (JTST)**
- **Journal of Biomechanical Science and Engineering (JBSE)**
- **Journal of Advanced Mechanical Design, Systems, and Manufacturing (JAMDSM):** A specialized journal that carries original papers describing the research results in the field

(Specification for the Number of Pages)

Article 4. The number of pages per published thesis shall be as shown in the table below.

Journal	Mechanical papers, <i>MEJ, JFST, JTST, JBSE, JAMDSM</i> *1	<i>MEL</i> *2
Specification for the number of pages	12 pages or fewer	8 pages or fewer

*1 For **Original papers, MEJ, JFST, JTST, JBSE, and JAMDSM**, an excess of up to 8 pages is allowed. A further excess shall be accepted if it is specifically deemed necessary by the editorial committee. In case of contributions on request, there is no prescribed number of pages for all journals.

*2 For **MEL**, exceeding the number of pages is not permitted. However, if specifically deemed necessary by the editorial committee, an excess of up to 4 pages shall be accepted.

(Submitting)

Article 5. To publish a paper in the *Bulletin* of JSME, it must be submitted according to the separately determined "Provisions for Submission to the *Bulletin* of JSME." Submission of manuscripts is accepted at any time.

(Review)

Article 6. Decisions regarding publication of all submitted manuscripts is taken after thorough peer

review of each manuscript. For this purpose, editorial committees have been organized for each journal. The JSME journal editorial committee has been organized to supervise these committees. Regulations concerning the JSME journal editing section and the editorial committee shall be determined separately.

(Publishing)

Article 7. Each journal of the *Bulletin* of the JSME is published as an electronic journal in J-STAGE, operated by the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST), as follows; all are open access:

- *Mechanical Engineering Journal*: Six times a year (Bimonthly)
- *Mechanical Engineering Letters*: Issued as necessary
- *Transactions of the JSME (in Japanese)*: Once a month
- *Journal of Fluid Science and Technology*: Issued as necessary
- *Journal of Thermal Science and Technology*: Issued as necessary
- *Journal of Biomechanical Science and Engineering*: Issued as necessary
- *Journal of Advanced Mechanical Design, Systems, and Manufacturing*: Issued as necessary

(Publishing Fee)

Article 8. The authors shall pay publishing fee after publication of a paper. The publishing fee is determined separately.

(Amendment, Withdrawal, and Cancellation of Published Articles)

Article 9. For the request for correction of typographical errors in the published paper, we shall respond according to the J-STAGE open system. Other corrections shall be handled by the editorial committee.

Article 10. When there is a request for withdrawal of the published manuscript and when the editorial committee has approved the withdrawal, we shall respond according to the J-STAGE open system.

Article 11. If it is found that the published paper does not comply with the authors' obligations as prescribed in the "Ethical Guidelines on Submission and Review of Papers of the JSME," measures to cancel the published paper shall be taken in accordance with the J-STAGE open system.

Changes to the provisions mentioned above require approval of the editorial board.

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