

Rubrics for Assessing Journal Quality Based on JRS Policy

# ¹	Criterion (Weight)	Assessment Levels					Score
1	Journal Website (10)	No website (0)	Incomplete or unprofessional (4)	Basic with necessary information (6)	Comprehensive and informative (8)	Comprehensive and professional (10)	10
2	Affiliation with Academic Society (10)	Not affiliated (0)		Affiliated with Academic / Professional society (5)		Affiliated with a prominent society (10)	10
3	Publisher/Publishing House (10)	Questionable or unknown (2)	Lesser-known (4)	Adequate reputation (6)	Reputable (8)	Highly reputable (10)	10
4/5	Editors and Editorial Board Members (10)	Unqualified or Unknown (2)	Adequate (4)	Qualified (6) (6)	Respected (8)	Highly respected (10)	10
6/7	Review Process (20)	No peer review (4)	Single peer review (8)	Double peer review (12)	Single blind-peer review (16)	Double-blind review (20)	20
8	Archive for Journal issues (10)	No Archive (0)	Few issues archived (4)	Some issues archived (6)	The majority of issues archived (8)	All issues archived (10)	10
9	Scopus CiteScore of the journal (10)	Not Included (0)	4 th quartile (2)	3 rd quartile (4)	2 nd quartile (6)	1 st quartile (8) Top 10% (10)	10
10	Inclusion in Other Ranking Lists (10)	Not Included in a list (0)	Included in a list with no ranking such as ERA (2)		Included in one ranking list (6)	Included in more one ranking lists (10)	10
11	Number of years of existence (10)	Less than 2 year (2)	Between 2 and 5 year (4)	Between 5 and 10 year (6)	Between 10 and 15 year (8)	More than 15 years (10)	10
12	The ratio of issues released to those that should be released (10)	Less than 60% (2)	Between 80% and less than 60% (4)	Between 90% and less than 80% (6)	Between 99% and less than 90% (8)	100% (10)	10
13	acceptance rate of the journal (10)	No Information (0)	>60% (2)	Between 40% and less than 60% (4)	Between 20% and less than 40% (6)	Between 10% and less than 20% (8) Less than 10% (10)	10
Total Score							120

¹ Question number

Bonus Questions, if available

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14	Endorsement for the journal from other journals Editors/AE or Academic Society (5)	No Endorsement (0)	From Good Journals (B/C) or Academic/Professional society (3)	From Excellent Journals (A*/A) or a prominent Academic/Professional society (5)	5
Max Total Score (Total Score + Bonus Question)				125	

Decision	Short Description	Total Threshold Score Percentage ²
A*	Premier	More than 95%
A	High-quality	More than 90% and Less or Equal to 95%
B	Competent	More than 80% and Less or Equal to 90%
C	Emerging	More than 65% and Less or Equal to 80%
Reject	Inadequate	Less or Equal to 65%

² Percentage Score = Max Total Score *100 / 120