Guidelines for Manuscripts „Kriminologisches Journal“

The editors would like to ask anyone interested in publishing their work in *Kriminologisches Journal* to adhere to the following guidelines:

1. *Kriminologisches Journal* represents the tradition of critical and reflexive social science, which the work group of young criminologists (AJK) adapted to German criminology in the 1960s. The journal publishes theoretical contributions, research on social institutions and on the politics of exclusion and social control (by courts, police, security organizations, social work, and mass media), work on the dynamics of everyday conflicts and on forms of individual resistance.

2. The journal is published quarterly in February, May, August, and November. Each issue contains approximately 80 pages. At least one issue per year is a themed issue or emphasis issue. Whereas emphasis issues contain, at a minimum, two to three connected contributions, themed issues exclusively contain contributions discussing the issue’s subject area, if possible complemented by relevant book reviews, research reports, or interviews. Themed issues are edited by members of the editorial council members, partially in cooperation with guest editors.

3. The editorial team supervises and produces each edition of *KrimJ*. Issues generally contain the following sections:

   **Articles**
   Articles are independent empirical, theoretical, or method-centered contributions in a criminological subject area. Articles should not exceed 45,000 characters (spaces, footnotes, summary and works cited included) or 5,500 words. The contents of tables and images also count towards that goal. The finished text should not exceed 15 pages. Each article contains two abstracts of five to ten lines each, once in English, once in German, which summarize the main theses, content, and conclusion of the contribution, as well as three to eight keywords in German and English each.

   **Discussions**
   The discussion section contains contributions that elaborate on a topic of contemporary criminological or criminal policy discourse. Contributions should not exceed 6-8 manuscript pages (16,500-22,000 characters, spaces included).

   **Research reports and reports from scientific practice**
   This section covers news on current or finished empirical research in criminology, as well as scientifically relevant reports on criminological practice. Manuscripts in this section should not exceed 6-8 pages (16,500-22,000 characters, spaces included).
Conference reports
On occasion, the journal will report on criminological conferences. Authors should limit their reports to the most important, especially newest, insights and content of the conference. The reports should not exceed three manuscript pages (8,250 characters, spaces included).

Book reviews
The journal publishes reviews of interesting German and international releases in criminology. Reviews are generally initiated by the editorial staff and should not exceed three manuscript pages (8,250 characters, spaces included). Review titles follow the bibliographical information format of:

Author. Title. Subtitle. (Place: Publisher) Year, page information. Retail price.


Reviews should forego the use of footnotes and works cited. If the author deems them indispensable, a limit of three should be adhered to. The reviewer’s name is published at the end of the review, in italics and aligned right.

Information section
This section collects conference notices and other news.

4. The journal only publishes original contributions. Previously published manuscripts or manuscripts under simultaneous consideration with other journals are not eligible to be published in KrimJ. This includes online publications.

5. Manuscripts for consideration with KrimJ should be formatted in Times New Roman, 1.5-spaced, including footnotes and works cited section. The text should count the total number of characters and print this number at the end of the manuscript (including spaces, footnotes, works cited, and abstracts).

Please adhere to the following order of formatting:

- First and last name of the author, 14 pt. font, aligned left;
- Title in 16 pt., bold, aligned left; subtitle in 14 pt., aligned left;
- German and English abstract, 3-8 keywords in 12 pt., italics, aligned left;
- Manuscript text in 12 pt., aligned left; headlines within: first level headlines 14 pt., italics; second level 12 pt. bold; third level 12 pt. italics. Emphases in italics only (no bold text, no underlined text, no letterspaced text, no quotation marks for emphasis); footnotes in 10 pt., aligned left.
- Works cited in 11 pt., aligned left; hanging indent, 0.5 cm
- Author’s office address (first name; last name; institution, street address with zip and city, e-mail address) in 12 pt., aligned left.
6. **Annotations** are published as **footnotes** at the end of each page and are consecutively numbered throughout the article. Please use automatic footnote numbering. Page numbers should be automated as well. Please deactivate any other automation (syllable division, format templates, title numbering, etc.)

7. **Images and figures** should be used sparingly. Please annotate figures and images in Times New Roman. The width of the print area is exactly 11.3 cm; please mind this limitation when formatting images and figures. Please submit images as separate files in their source format (.tif, .jpg, .pdf, or .eps, Excel- or Powerpoint files; please reserve Powerpoint files for black-and-white images).

Please do not simply paste .tif or .jpg-files into a separate word file, as this practice will lead to significant loss of quality. Image resolution should not fall short of 300 dpi for color images, 600 dpi for black and white images.

The publisher will reformat tables in typesetting. For this reason, it is advised to use as little formatting as possible in their original creation while keeping in mind the 11.3 cm limit.

Please mark the position of the table or image in the original text. Annotation such as “figure 1” should not be part of the image but rather appear as a headline within the text.

8. KrimJ uses new German orthography exclusively when publishing contributions in German.

9. The journal only accepts submissions in Word format.

10. **In-text citations** should be in brackets without emphasis (no italics, bold face, or all caps) and include the author’s last name, the year the cited source was published, and page cited. Separate year and page with a colon. More than three authors are collapsed into the last name of the first author, followed by „et. al.”.

Examples: (Simon 2007: 136); (Hess/Scheerer 2004); (cf. Sack 1993; Schmidt-Semisch 2002); (Cornel et al. 2010).

Citations spanning more than four lines should

- be indented, single-spaced;
- end on a period before the citation. Ex.: xxxxxxx. (Schmidt 2004: 13)
- not be followed by an indentation for subsequent text.

11. „Quotation marks“ are used for citations within the text (up to three lines) as well as for articles and headlines of works cited; „single quotation marks“ are used for citations within citations. English-language citations within the text should be marked with superscript quotation marks (“...”). Allusions and terms used ironically can be marked by double quotation marks. Please do not italicize citations already in quotation marks.
12. Please use gender-sensitive language when referring to persons and functions.

13. Please write names of people and institutions in italics.

14. Please format works cited as follows:
   Family name, Initial, Year of publication in brackets. Then follow these templates:

   **Monograph:**

   **Contribution in edited volume:**

   **Journal article:**

   Please use the journal’s full title. Limit citation to volume number unless each issue is separately paginated.

   In case the article cites multiple pieces by the same author, use lowercase lettering to differentiate them, i. e., 1993a, 1993b, etc.

   **Institutional authors:**

   **Internet sources:**
   Include date of access [DD.MM.YYYY], e. g. <http://www.krimj.com> [15.03.2011]

   **Newspaper articles:**
16. **Submission of manuscripts:** Please submit manuscripts to the editorial office’s e-mail address as indicated on the homepage.

17. **After receipt of your manuscript,** the editorial office will acknowledge said receipt, internally evaluate whether it is suitable for the journal, and discuss further steps (Editorial rejection/initiation of peer review). If the editors decide to initiate the manuscript’s peer review, the final decision may include a revise and resubmit request to the author. The editors reserve the right to re-initiate a peer review after the original one or to reject a text that was insufficiently revised. We will send each author manuscript proofs before final print.

18. **Peer-Review:** As a matter of policy, all manuscripts considered for publication will be peer reviewed.

19. **Authors’ short biographies:** In case a manuscript is accepted, we will ask authors to provide a short biographical note. Biographical notes appear in a special section at the end of the journal and generally include the following information: Name, first name, academic title, current employment, city, research interests and emphases, latest publications.

20. **Author copies:** Each author will receive three free issues containing their contribution; in case of multiple authors, each author will receive two free issues. Book reviewers generally receive one free issue.

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