

Chapter I.

SUMMARY OF FORMATTING
GUIDELINES.

BOLD—ITALIC—SMALL CAPS—PARAGRAPHS—
DASHES

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Leave four blank lines above each chapter heading.

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