

# Formatting Instructions For NeurIPS 2025 Workshop

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## Abstract

The abstract paragraph should be indented ½ inch (3 picas) on both the left- and right-hand margins. Use 10 point type, with a vertical spacing (leading) of 11 points. The word **Abstract** must be centered, bold, and in point size 12. Two line spaces precede the abstract. The abstract must be limited to one paragraph.

## 5 1 Submission of papers to NeurIPS 2025

6 Please read the instructions below carefully and follow them faithfully.

7 1.1 Style

8 Papers to be submitted to NeurIPS 2025 must be prepared according to the instructions presented  
9 here. Papers may only be up to **nine** pages long, including figures. Additional pages *containing*  
10 *references, checklist, and the optional technical appendices* do not count as content pages. Papers  
11 that exceed the page limit will not be reviewed, or in any other way considered for presentation at the  
12 conference.

<sup>13</sup> The margins in 2025 are the same as those in previous years.

<sup>14</sup> Authors are required to use the NeurIPS L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X style files obtainable at the NeurIPS website as  
<sup>15</sup> indicated below. Please make sure you use the current files and not previous versions. Tweaking the  
<sup>16</sup> style files may be grounds for rejection.

## 17 1.2 Retrieval of style files

<sup>18</sup> The style files for NeurIPS and other conference information are available on the website at [www.neurips.cc](http://www.neurips.cc).

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20 The file `neurips_2025.pdf` contains these instructions and illustrates the various formatting re-  
21 quirements your NeurIPS paper must satisfy.

22 The only supported style file for NeurIPS 2025 is `neurips_2025.sty`, rewritten for L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2 <sub>$\epsilon$</sub> .  
23 Previous style files for L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2.09, Microsoft Word, and RTF are no longer supported!

<sup>24</sup> The L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X style file contains three optional arguments: `final`, which creates a camera-ready copy,  
<sup>25</sup> `preprint`, which creates a preprint for submission to, e.g., arXiv, and `nonatbib`, which will not  
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34 paper as they will be removed during generation of camera-ready copies.
- 35 The file `neurips_2025.tex` may be used as a “shell” for writing your paper. All you have to do is  
36 replace the author, title, abstract, and text of the paper with your own.
- 37 The formatting instructions contained in these style files are summarized in Sections 2, 3, and 4  
38 below.

## 39 **2 General formatting instructions**

- 40 The text must be confined within a rectangle 5.5 inches (33 picas) wide and 9 inches (54 picas) long.  
41 The left margin is 1.5 inch (9 picas). Use 10 point type with a vertical spacing (leading) of 11 points.  
42 Times New Roman is the preferred typeface throughout, and will be selected for you by default.  
43 Paragraphs are separated by  $\frac{1}{2}$  line space (5.5 points), with no indentation.
- 44 The paper title should be 17 point, initial caps/lower case, bold, centered between two horizontal  
45 rules. The top rule should be 4 points thick and the bottom rule should be 1 point thick. Allow  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch  
46 space above and below the title to rules. All pages should start at 1 inch (6 picas) from the top of the  
47 page.
- 48 For the final version, authors’ names are set in boldface, and each name is centered above the  
49 corresponding address. The lead author’s name is to be listed first (left-most), and the co-authors’  
50 names (if different address) are set to follow. If there is only one co-author, list both author and  
51 co-author side by side.
- 52 Please pay special attention to the instructions in Section 4 regarding figures, tables, acknowledgments,  
53 and references.

## 54 **3 Headings: first level**

- 55 All headings should be lower case (except for first word and proper nouns), flush left, and bold.  
56 First-level headings should be in 12-point type.

### 57 **3.1 Headings: second level**

- 58 Second-level headings should be in 10-point type.

#### 59 **3.1.1 Headings: third level**

- 60 Third-level headings should be in 10-point type.

61 **Paragraphs** There is also a `\paragraph` command available, which sets the heading in bold, flush  
62 left, and inline with the text, with the heading followed by 1 em of space.

## 63 **4 Citations, figures, tables, references**

- 64 These instructions apply to everyone.

### 65 **4.1 Citations within the text**

- 66 The `natbib` package will be loaded for you by default. Citations may be author/year or numeric, as  
67 long as you maintain internal consistency. As to the format of the references themselves, any style is  
68 acceptable as long as it is used consistently.

- 69 The documentation for `natbib` may be found at

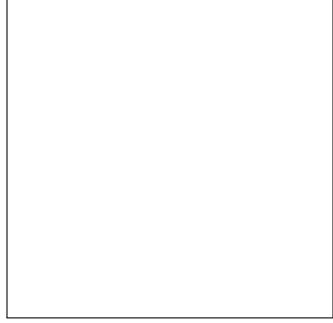


Figure 1: Sample figure caption.

70        <http://mirrors.ctan.org/macros/latex/contrib/natbib/natnotes.pdf>  
71        Of note is the command `\citet`, which produces citations appropriate for use in inline text. For  
72        example,  
73        `\citet{hasselmo} investigated\dots`  
74        produces  
75        Hasselmo, et al. (1995) investigated...  
76        If you wish to load the `natbib` package with options, you may add the following before loading the  
77        `neurips_2025` package:  
78        `\PassOptionsToPackage{options}{natbib}`  
79        If `natbib` clashes with another package you load, you can add the optional argument `nonatbib`  
80        when loading the style file:  
81        `\usepackage[nonatbib]{neurips_2025}`  
82        As submission is double blind, refer to your own published work in the third person. That is, use “In  
83        the previous work of Jones et al. [4],” not “In our previous work [4].” If you cite your other papers  
84        that are not widely available (e.g., a journal paper under review), use anonymous author names in the  
85        citation, e.g., an author of the form “A. Anonymous” and include a copy of the anonymized paper in  
86        the supplementary material.

## 87        4.2 Footnotes

88        Footnotes should be used sparingly. If you do require a footnote, indicate footnotes with a number<sup>1</sup>  
89        in the text. Place the footnotes at the bottom of the page on which they appear. Precede the footnote  
90        with a horizontal rule of 2 inches (12 picas).  
91        Note that footnotes are properly typeset *after* punctuation marks.<sup>2</sup>

## 92        4.3 Figures

93        All artwork must be neat, clean, and legible. Lines should be dark enough for purposes of reproduction.  
94        The figure number and caption always appear after the figure. Place one line space before the figure  
95        caption and one line space after the figure. The figure caption should be lower case (except for first  
96        word and proper nouns); figures are numbered consecutively.  
97        You may use color figures. However, it is best for the figure captions and the paper body to be legible  
98        if the paper is printed in either black/white or in color.

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<sup>1</sup>Sample of the first footnote.

<sup>2</sup>As in this example.

Table 1: Sample table title

Part		
Name	Description	Size ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
Dendrite	Input terminal	$\sim 100$
Axon	Output terminal	$\sim 10$
Soma	Cell body	up to $10^6$

## 99 4.4 Tables

100 All tables must be centered, neat, clean and legible. The table number and title always appear before  
 101 the table. See Table 1.

102 Place one line space before the table title, one line space after the table title, and one line space after  
 103 the table. The table title must be lower case (except for first word and proper nouns); tables are  
 104 numbered consecutively.

105 Note that publication-quality tables *do not contain vertical rules*. We strongly suggest the use of the  
 106 `booktabs` package, which allows for typesetting high-quality, professional tables:

107 <https://www.ctan.org/pkg/booktabs>

108 This package was used to typeset Table 1.

## 109 4.5 Math

110 Note that display math in bare TeX commands will not create correct line numbers for sub-  
 111 mission. Please use LaTeX (or AMSTeX) commands for unnumbered display math. (You  
 112 really shouldn't be using \$\$ anyway; see <https://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/503/why-is-preferable-to> and <https://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/40492/what-are-the-differences-between-align-equation-and-displaymath> for more infor-  
 113 mation.)

## 116 4.6 Final instructions

117 Do not change any aspects of the formatting parameters in the style files. In particular, do not modify  
 118 the width or length of the rectangle the text should fit into, and do not change font sizes (except  
 119 perhaps in the **References** section; see below). Please note that pages should be numbered.

## 120 5 Preparing PDF files

121 Please prepare submission files with paper size "US Letter," and not, for example, "A4."

122 Fonts were the main cause of problems in the past years. Your PDF file must only contain Type 1 or  
 123 Embedded TrueType fonts. Here are a few instructions to achieve this.

- 124 • You should directly generate PDF files using `pdflatex`.
- 125 • You can check which fonts a PDF file uses. In Acrobat Reader, select the menu  
 126 Files>Document Properties>Fonts and select Show All Fonts. You can also use the program  
 127 `pdffonts` which comes with `xpdf` and is available out-of-the-box on most Linux machines.
- 128 • `xfig` "patterned" shapes are implemented with bitmap fonts. Use "solid" shapes instead.
- 129 • The `\bbold` package almost always uses bitmap fonts. You should use the equivalent AMS  
 130 Fonts:

131 `\usepackage{amsfonts}`

132 followed by, e.g., `\mathbb{R}`, `\mathbb{N}`, or `\mathbb{C}` for  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{N}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ . You can also  
 133 use the following workaround for reals, natural and complex:

```
134     \newcommand{\RR}{\mathbb{R}} %real numbers  
135     \newcommand{\Nat}{\mathbb{N}} %natural numbers  
136     \newcommand{\CC}{\mathbb{C}} %complex numbers
```

137 Note that `amsfonts` is automatically loaded by the `amssymb` package.

138 If your file contains type 3 fonts or non embedded TrueType fonts, we will ask you to fix it.

## 139 **5.1 Margins in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X**

140 Most of the margin problems come from figures positioned by hand using `\special` or other  
141 commands. We suggest using the command `\includegraphics` from the `graphicx` package.  
142 Always specify the figure width as a multiple of the line width as in the example below:

```
143 \usepackage[pdftex]{graphicx} ...  
144 \includegraphics[width=0.8\linewidth]{myfile.pdf}
```

145 See Section 4.4 in the `graphics` bundle documentation (<http://mirrors.ctan.org/macros/latex/required/graphics/grfguide.pdf>)

147 A number of width problems arise when L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X cannot properly hyphenate a line. Please give LaTeX  
148 hyphenation hints using the `\-` command when necessary.

## 149 **References**

150 References follow the acknowledgments in the camera-ready paper. Use unnumbered first-level  
151 heading for the references. Any choice of citation style is acceptable as long as you are consistent. It  
152 is permissible to reduce the font size to `small` (9 point) when listing the references. Note that the  
153 Reference section does not count towards the page limit.

154 [1] Alexander, J.A. & Mozer, M.C. (1995) Template-based algorithms for connectionist rule extraction. In  
155 G. Tesauro, D.S. Touretzky and T.K. Leen (eds.), *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems 7*, pp.  
156 609–616. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.

157 [2] Bower, J.M. & Beeman, D. (1995) *The Book of GENESIS: Exploring Realistic Neural Models with the  
158 GEneral NEural SImulation System*. New York: TELOS/Springer-Verlag.

159 [3] Hasselmo, M.E., Schnell, E. & Barkai, E. (1995) Dynamics of learning and recall at excitatory recurrent  
160 synapses and cholinergic modulation in rat hippocampal region CA3. *Journal of Neuroscience* **15**(7):5249-5262.

## 161 **A Technical Appendices and Supplementary Material**

162 Technical appendices with additional results, figures, graphs and proofs may be submitted with  
163 the paper submission before the full submission deadline (see above), or as a separate PDF in the  
164 ZIP file below before the supplementary material deadline. There is no page limit for the technical  
165 appendices.

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175 • [NA] means either that the question is Not Applicable for that particular paper or the  
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185 expensive" or "we were unable to find the license for the dataset we used"). In general, answering  
186 "[No]" or "[NA]" is not grounds for rejection. While the questions are phrased in a binary way, we  
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189 supplemental material, provided in appendix. If you answer [Yes] to a question, in the justification  
190 please point to the section(s) where related material for the question can be found.

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204 contributions made in the paper and important assumptions and limitations. A No or  
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207 much the results can be expected to generalize to other settings.  
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259 perimental results of the paper to the extent that it affects the main claims and/or conclusions  
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- The authors should provide instructions on data access and preparation, including how to access the raw data, preprocessed data, intermediate data, and generated data, etc.
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320           paper) is recommended, but including URLs to data and code is permitted.

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323           parameters, how they were chosen, type of optimizer, etc.) necessary to understand the  
324           results?

325       Answer: [TODO]

326       Justification: [TODO]

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330           that is necessary to appreciate the results and make sense of them.  
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332           material.

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342           the main claims of the paper.  
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353           of Normality of errors is not verified.  
354           • For asymmetric distributions, the authors should be careful not to show in tables or  
355           figures symmetric error bars that would yield results that are out of range (e.g. negative  
356           error rates).  
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358           they were calculated and reference the corresponding figures or tables in the text.

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363       Answer: [TODO]

364       Justification: [TODO]

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370           experimental runs as well as estimate the total compute.  
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372           than the experiments reported in the paper (e.g., preliminary or failed experiments that  
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395           (e.g., disinformation, generating fake profiles, surveillance), fairness considerations  
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397           groups), privacy considerations, and security considerations.  
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