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Guide for Accepted Authors

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1. Final files

1.1 Important instructions for submitting final files

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2.1. General

The EJ respects any randomisation that has been done to the author byline. Authors may choose to add a first page note to indicate that the author byline has been randomised.

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The full mailing and email address for the corresponding author should be provided at the bottom of the first page, before the acknowledgments;

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2.2. Sections

- Use consecutive Arabic numbers;
- Section text should start on a new line.

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Statistical tables should be clearly headed and the reader should be able to understand the meaning of each row or column without searching in the text for explanations of symbols, etc. Units of measurement, base-dates for index numbers, geographical areas covered and sources should be clearly stated. Authors are fully responsible for the accuracy of the data and for checking their proofs. Whenever the authors feel that the reader would have difficulty in testing the derivation of their statistics, they should provide supplementary notes on the methods used.

Table formatting

- Ensure that tables are large enough to be clearly readable on an A5 page;
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- Use short titles in italics with initial capitals;
- Do not use vertical lines or shading;
- Do not use more than 10 columns per table.

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Diagrams and figures should be clearly drawn and accompanied by the basic statistics that were required for their preparation, the axes must be clearly labelled, and the reader must be able to understand the diagrams and figures without searching in the text for explanations.

Diagram and figure formatting

- Ensure that diagrams and figures are large enough to be clearly readable on an A5 page;
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- Use short titles in italics with initial capitals;
- Use just a few round numbers in the axes;
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2.5. Mathematics

The mathematical derivations necessary for justifying each step of the argument should accompany all articles with mathematical arguments.

- Please do not use smaller fonts in complex expressions, except for superscripts and subscripts. **Numbers** less than 1, but greater than -1 must have 0 before the decimal point.
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- **Algebra** should include punctuation.
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Typesetting instructions should be provided in cases where ambiguities may arise. If there is a reason why the journal style may confuse the content of the article, authors are asked to add a note to the beginning of the text, to explain why.

2.6. Footnotes

- Footnotes should be kept to a minimum;
- Use consecutive superscript Arabic numbers;
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2.7. Acronyms

- **First reference:** Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS)
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- **Short quotation:** Short quotations 'should be in single inverted commas with citation and page reference'. (Brown, 1965, p.20)
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2.9. Appendices

- Appendices should be designated A, B, C as required.
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- Equations labelled as: (A.1), (A.2), (B.1) etc.

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