

Instructions for Preparing Manuscript Files

The most important guideline is this: **keep it simple**. Do not try to achieve a "typeset" look that mimics the printed version of the journal. Keep in mind that most of your formatting commands will be discarded during copy editing. Complex formatting commands interfere with preparation of your manuscript for typesetting and may delay publication.

TEXT

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Use hard returns (pressing the "Return" or "Enter" key) only to end a heading or paragraph and begin a new one. Do not use hard returns to end a line early to make the right margin seem indented.

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Abbreviations follow journal style:

General: s, min, h (hour), d (day), wk, mo, yr, g (gram), mg, kg, Hz, kHz, MHz, km, m (meter), mm, cm, cc, mi (mile), ft, in. (note period), kn (knot), ha, gal, mL, L (liter, spell out when used alone);

Statistics: *P* (probability), mean (XBar above), SD, SE, CV, SEM, *n* (sample size), *df*, *r* (correlation coefficient), *t*, *F*, *U*, *Z* (statistical tests); letters in equations are italicized.

Latin words and phrases (always italicized): *i.e.*, (note comma); *e.g.*, (note comma), *ca.*; *cf*; *in vivo*; *in situ*; *vs.*; *etc.*; *per se*; *et al.*; *via*; *sensu*; *sensu fero*; *sensu stricto*; *a priori*.

Taxonomic usage in Marine Mammal Science should follow the List of Marine Mammal Species and Subspecies on the Society for Marine Mammalogy website (http://www.marinemammalscience.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=420&Itemid=280). Authors wishing to use a different nomenclature should explain the departure in a footnote.

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Armstrong, W. A., and C. W. Oliver. 1995. Recent use of fish aggregating devices in the eastern tropical Pacific tuna purse-seine fishery: 1990-1994. National Marine Fisheries Service Center Administrative Report LJ-95-14 (unpublished). 47 pp. Available from SWFC, P.O. Box 271, La Jolla, CA 92038.

Gentry, R. L., and J. R. Holt. 1982. Equipment and techniques for handling northern fur seals. U.S. Department of Commerce, NOAA Technical Report NMFS SSRF-758. 15 pp.

Hubbs, C. L., W. F. Perrin and K. C. Balcomb. 1973. *Stenella coeruleoalba* in the eastern and central tropical Pacific. Journal of Mammalogy 54:549-552.

Leatherwood, S., and R. R. Reeves. 1983. The Sierra Club handbook of whales and dolphins. Sierra Club Books, San Francisco, CA.

Murchison, A. E. 1980. Detection range and range resolution of echolocating bottlenose porpoise (*Tursiops truncatus*). Pages 43-70 in R. -G. Busnel and J. F. Fish, eds. Animal sonar systems. Plenum Press, New York, NY.

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Ensure that spellings and abbreviations on the figures are consistent with those used in the text (and journal style).

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