

## **Peer Review Policy**

The Editorial team of Legal Opus will first evaluate all manuscripts to see whether it complies with the basic requirements of particular issue of the journal. Those research papers complying with minimum requirement will be provisionally selected for peer review process. The Editorial Board reserves its rights to reject papers which are not original, having serious flaws, poor language and grammatical errors. Authors will be updated with the status of their submissions within one month of receipt.

### **Selection of reviewers**

Reviewers are selected on the basis of their expertise and subject preference specifically relating to the paper submitted for publication. The database of the reviewers is constantly being updated. The modifications and corrections suggested by the referees are intimated to the contributors for further refinement of the work.

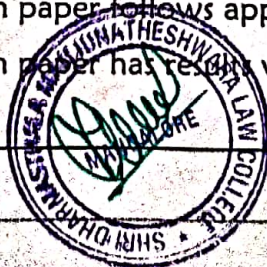
### **Peer Review process**

The papers accepted by the Editorial Board, meeting the minimum criteria will be sent to minimum two reviewers for their opinion and comments. The journal adopts blind reviewing policy, where both the contributor and the referees will remain anonymous throughout the process.

### **Review reports**

The peer reviewer is expected to prepare the report on following aspects of the research paper:

- Whether the work is original
- Whether the research paper follows appropriate methodology
- Whether the research paper follows appropriate ethical guidelines
- Whether the research paper has results which are clearly presented



and support the conclusions

- Whether the reference and citations are correctly incorporated and validated in accordance with the standards insisted by the guidelines
- Reviewers are not expected to correct or edit and to carry out language correction of the manuscripts.

### **Time frame for review process**

The submitted paper will normally be reviewed within one month. In cases where the two reviewers' report contradict one another or any undue delay in receiving the second report, an opinion of a third expert will be called for. The contributors are expected to submit the revised manuscripts within fifteen days, which again will be forwarded to the initial referees for final approval. Reviewers may ask more than one revision of a manuscript to ensure the quality of work.

### **Acceptance of the Paper for Publication**

A final decision whether to accept or reject the manuscript for publication will be taken by the Editorial Board taking into account of recommendations made by the referees.





## Ethical Policy

- Attribution of authorship shall be limited to those who have made a significant contribution as to conception, design, execution, or interpretation of content.
- Contributors shall ensure that entire work is original. Where material is taken from other sources, due acknowledgement should be provided either in the body or the footnote. If the paper is found partly or fully plagiarised, it will be rejected immediately.
- The contributor shall not publish the same article in any other journal.
- When the contributor identifies, or discovers any significant error or inaccuracy in his/her own published work, it shall be his obligation to immediately intimate to the journal editor and ensure that correction is carried out in the paper.
- The authors shall furnish a letter stating that the work is original.
- All articles shall compulsorily undergo plagiarism test.



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