



Australian Human Rights Centre

Human Rights Defender

Submission Sheet and Style Guide

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Human Rights Defender Style Guide

The Human Rights Defender presents articles in a clear, accurate and accessible style for a broad spectrum of readers. Though less formal in style than an academic journal, Human Rights Defender articles must nonetheless, be well written and thoroughly researched.

1. Articles are between 1500 words (excluding footnotes) and 1800 words (including footnotes).
2. Please keep footnotes and references to a minimum as articles are directed to a non-academic audience.
3. The Footnote/Bibliography or 'Oxford' Referencing System is to be used.
 - A footnote identifier should appear in the text with the full reference located at the end of the text.
 - Identifiers should be placed at the end of a sentence, and follow any punctuation marks. For example:
 - Lake points out that a division began in the latter half of the nineteenth century with the doctrine of 'separate spheres'.¹
 - At the end of the article, all necessary information to enable the reader to locate the source should be provided. For example:
 - ¹ M Lake, 'Intimate strangers' in V Burgman and J Lee (eds), *Making a Life: a People's History of Australia Since 1788*, V. Burgman and J. Lee (eds), Penguin, Victoria, 1988, p. 155.
4. Titles of publications should be italicized.
5. Use minimum capitalization for publication titles
6. Use minimal capitalization for journal or book article titles
7. Article titles should be enclosed between single quotation marks
8. Use commas to separate each item of the citation and end with a full stop.

9. Quotations are placed in single inverted commas. For example, 'a terrorist attack in Australia could occur'. Quotations longer than two sentences are indented.
10. All headings are bold and lower case.
11. Please provide a short accompanying autobiographical note with specific reference to your connection with the Australian Human Rights Centre, the Human Rights Defender and/or the subject matter of your article. For example, 'Jane Bell is a doctoral candidate in law at the Centre for Socio-Legal Studies at the University of Oxford'. If you do not provide one, please amend and approve the autobiographical note drafted for you by the Human Rights Defender.
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