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Abstract Template and Rules

1. GENERAL RULES

Scientific abstracts (written in English or Lithuanian) shall be structured using the following compulsory sections:

Introduction:

- *Research relevance*
- *Aim*
- *Objectives*
- *Research methods and organisation*
- *Keywords*

Results

Conclusions

References (composed in accordance with APA7 reference guide)

You must also indicate the author(s) of the abstract, their year of study, higher education institution, city, and country. The academic supervisor must be listed on a separate line. Finally, you must specify the topic of the paper.

In addition to the compulsory sections, you may indicate the source of **funding**.

Volume – up to one A4 page. The entire text must be typed in MS Word, single-spaced, using 12-point Times New Roman font. Margins: top – 2 cm, bottom – 1.5 cm, right – 2 cm, left – 2.5 cm.

The file to be submitted must be in .doc or .docx format; .pdf and other file formats are not acceptable.

The abstracts will be published in a conference publication with the International Standard Serial Number (eISSN) and hosted on the LSU e-Repository. The abstracts that are prepared without complying with the requirements will not be accepted and published.

2. ABSTRACT TITLE

The title of the abstract should be written in ALL CAPS, in **bold**, and left-aligned. The spacing below the title should be 10 pt.

3. AUTHOR(S)

All authors who contributed to the study must be identified. The first author is the main author.

All authors must be named correctly, indicating full names (i.e. first name, middle name(s), last name(s)). Initials may not be used. The names of the authors must be written in Latin characters.

Authors' names shall be written in ***bold cursive***, capitalised only for the first letter, aligned to the left margin, spacing below the authors – 8 pt.

4. AFFILIATION

The author(s) should be followed by the indication of the year of study, higher education institution, city, and country. The affiliation is written in *italics* and left-aligned. The spacing after the affiliation is 8 pt.

5. ACADEMIC SUPERVISOR

The academic supervisor is indicated below the affiliation, left-aligned, with the academic rank, degree, and first and last name(s) *highlighted and italicised*. The line spacing below this line is 8 pt.

6. TOPICS

In the topic line, which must be left-aligned, enter one of the possible topics in *italics*:

- *Social and educational aspects of physical education and sport;*
- *Coaching technologies;*
- *Physical activity and health;*
- *Rehabilitation and sport physiology;*
- *Tourism and sport management.*

The line spacing below this line – 10 pt.

7. MAIN TEXT

The **introductory part** of the abstract must clearly state the *research relevance, aim* of the study, its *objectives*, the *research methods and their organisation*, and *keywords*. The names of these sections of the introduction are written in *italics*. Following the introduction, the **results** must be summarised and **conclusions** presented. Funding may also be indicated. The introduction, research results, and conclusions must be written in separate paragraphs, with the name of each paragraph highlighted in **bold**. Each paragraph is justified, with the first line indented 1 cm from the left margin.

8. REFERENCES

References must be separated from the rest of the text. The word “References” is written on a new line, in a **bold** font, and left-aligned. The spacing above this section is 10 pt, and below it is 8 pt.

The list of references shall include the sources mentioned in the text and used in the writing of the abstract.

Each entry in the list of references should start on a new line, and the entries should be numbered. Use justified alignment.

The reference list must be in alphabetical order, and **be composed in accordance with APA7 reference guide** (for examples see <https://apastyle.apa.org/>).

When citing, the author of the cited source and the year of publication must be indicated in parentheses (Author’s last name, year). If there are two authors, they are separated by an ampersand (First author’s last name & Second author’s last name, year). If there are more than two authors, only the last name of the first author shall be given in parentheses, followed by “et al.” (First author’s last name et al., year).

When the author is mentioned in the text, only the year of publication shall be given in parentheses. If there are two authors mentioned, they are separated in the text by the conjunction *and*. If there are more than two authors, only the name of the first author shall be cited in the text, followed by “et al.”.

If several sources are cited in the same place, they shall be listed in order of the year of publication, from the oldest to the most recent; sources shall be separated by a semicolon (;).

When giving an exact (i.e. not paraphrased) quotation, quotation marks must be used and the page number of the source must be given in parentheses after the year of publication (e.g. Author's last name, year, page X), or the location of the quotation must be identified in some other way.

If several sources from the same year by the same author(s) are cited, it is necessary to mark the year with the appropriate letters in the reference list and in the text, e.g. 2020a, 2020b etc.

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