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1. Editorial policy and submission requirements

The Japanese Journal of Zoo and Wildlife Medicine accepts Japanese or English manuscripts of full papers, review articles, research notes, technical notes, and case reports, which have not been previously published, in the field of zoo and wildlife medicine. All manuscripts will be reviewed by the editor and members of the editorial board, then the editor-in-chief will make the final decision on acceptance or rejection. The Journal will not accept manuscripts that include unethical procedures. In general, the manuscripts will be published in the order of the review process.

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3. Guidelines for authors

1) Four printed copies of each manuscript (including 4 original pictures for each photograph) should be submitted. All manuscripts should be prepared by a personal computer, and hard copies and a CD containing an electric file of the manuscript should be submitted. A description should be provided of the computer operating system and word processing application used.

2) Use double space format on A4 or letter size paper (24–26 lines/page). All page margins should be approximately 3 cm. Add line numbers every 5 lines in the left margin of each page.

3) The first page of each manuscript must include the following: field category (anatomy, systematic taxonomy, biochemistry, biology, toxicology, immunology, bacteriology, virology, parasitology, pathology, public health, internal medicine, surgery, reproduction, animal behavior, ecology, population dynamics, nutrition, animal genetics, ecosystem conservation, etc.), manuscript type (full paper, review article, research note, technical note, or case report), title, author(s), affiliated institution, address including zip code, change(s) of institution and address (if applicable), corresponding author name and the running head (an abbreviated title consisting of no more than 40 characters including spaces).

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The following should be included in this order: Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results, Discussion, Acknowledgement (s), and Reference(s). These are followed by Table(s), Figure legend(s), and Figure(s).

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