

Peer Review Process

Articles submitted to EJPSS are first of all screened by a similarity detection software to check whether they conform to ethical rules. Following this process, they undergo a general evaluation by the Editorial Board. Articles that do not pass this first stage receive a desk rejection, and they are not sent out for peer review. Reasons for desk rejection can be non-compliance with author guidelines, not being under Publication Ethics or being out of the scope of the Journal. Those articles that pass the general evaluation of the Editorial Board proceed to double-blind peer review. At this stage, each article will be anonymously sent to two referees, who are experts on the subject of the article. If both referee reports are positive, editor accepts the articles for publication. If one of the reports is positive and the other is negative, then the article is sent to a third referee. If both referee reports are adverse, the article is rejected. If an article is evaluated by one or two of the referees as “review and resubmit,” then it should be reviewed and resubmitted by the author(s) no later than 20 days. If necessary, the reviewed and resubmitted articles can be re-examined by the referees. The articles that receive the approval of both referees as “publishable” are accepted for publishing in EJPSS, and the corresponding author is informed. The accepted articles will be queued for publication and appear in future issues based on their submission date. The opinions in the articles published in EJPSS are the authors’ personal opinions and are not binding for the journal.