

Journal of Non-crystalline Solids
Submission Advice for Authors

With the annual manuscript submission rate for the Journal of Non-crystalline Solids increasing over three-fold in recent years, the need for a responsive and effective technical peer review process is even more critical to the timely dissemination of new scientific results through the Journal. In this context, authors are strongly encouraged to utilize the following opportunities to help to insure a more efficient technical review process:

1. When submitting your manuscript, please provide a list of at least three published researchers in the field and their contact information (including e-mail address). The list should include potential reviewers from a diverse, international pool, rather than those only from the submitting institution's country. In the past, authors using this process and making "good" suggestions for reviewers have had their papers processed within a month. Please choose your suggestions carefully, so as not to imply a conflict of interest, otherwise we use reviewers from our pool with less certain results.

Authors should be aware that the use of widely known experts in the field of interest as suggested reviewers is of limited value as they are often already engaged in the review process.

2. Please respond to reviewer and Editorial comments within 2 weeks of receipt. Be sure to include Revision Notes to insure that your response to comments and the associated manuscript changes are clearly noted.

3. When invited to review a manuscript, accept or decline the invitation as rapidly as possible (within 1 week). If accepting, complete your review within 2 weeks.

It is important to remember that the success of the peer review process, and the timely publication of your manuscript, depends on your attention to these points. The Journal understands that our authors routinely respond to requests for manuscript review from many other scientific publications. We greatly appreciate the efforts of our many reviewers who devote a great deal of time and effort to manuscript evaluation and who, ultimately, contribute to a technically robust and impactful scientific journal.