Provisions for the *Bulletin of JSME*

(Purpose)
Article 1. The Japan Society of Mechanical Engineers publishes the *Bulletin of the JSME* with the aim of contributing to the development, peace, and welfare of human society by progressing the academic arts of fields related to machinery and mechanical systems.

(Papers Published in the Bulletin of JSME)
Article 2. By examining and citing original papers with novelty, originality, exploratory development, usefulness, and reliability, along with research papers in each specialized field, the *Bulletin of the JSME* posts review papers that discuss the trends and prospects of the field.

(Composition of the Bulletin of JSME)
Article 3. The *Bulletin of JSME* consists of eight journals in total: four are journals dealing with mechanical engineering in general; the other four are English journals that each deal with a specialized field. The target field of each specialized journal is specified separately.

(Generic Journals)
- *Mechanical Engineering Reviews (MER)*: A general journal in English that carries review papers
- *Mechanical Engineering Letters (MEL)*: A general journal in English that carries a short original paper worthy of a quick announcement
- *Transactions of the JSME (in Japanese) (Mechanical papers)*: A general journal in Japanese that carries original paper
- *Mechanical Engineering Journal (MEJ)*: A general journal in English that carries the original papers

(Specialized Journals)
- *Journal of Fluid Science and Technology (JFST)*
- *Journal of Thermal Science and Technology (JTST)*
- *Journal of Biomechanical Science and Engineering (JBSE)*
- *Journal of Advanced Mechanical Design, Systems, and Manufacturing (JAMDSM)*: A specialized journal that carries original papers describing the research results in the field

(Specification for the Number of Pages)
Article 4. The number of pages per published thesis shall be as shown in the table below.

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<th>Journal</th>
<th>Mechanical papers, MEJ, JFST, JTST, JBSE, JAMDSM*¹</th>
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<td>12 pages or fewer</td>
<td>Not applicable</td>
<td>8 pages or fewer</td>
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*¹ For Mechanical papers, MEJ, JFST, JTST, JBSE, and JAMDSM, an excess of up to 8 pages is allowed. A further excess shall be accepted if it is specifically deemed necessary by the editorial committee. In case of contributions on request, there is no prescribed number of pages for all journals.

*² For MEL, exceeding the number of pages is not permitted. However, if specifically deemed necessary by the editorial committee, an excess of up to 4 pages shall be accepted.

(Submitting)
Article 5. To publish a paper in the *Bulletin of JSME*, it must be submitted according to the separately determined “Provisions for Submission to the *Bulletin of JSME*.” Submission of manuscripts is accepted at any time.

(Review)
Article 6. Decisions regarding publication of all submitted manuscripts is taken after thorough peer review of each manuscript. For this purpose, editorial committees have been organized for each journal. The JSME journal editorial committee has been organized to supervise these committees. Regulations concerning the JSME journal editing section and the editorial committee shall be determined separately.
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(Publishing)
Article 7. Each journal of the Bulletin of the JSME is published as an electronic journal in J-STAGE, operated by the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST), as follows; all are open access:

- **Mechanical Engineering Reviews**: Twice a year
- **Transactions of the JSME (in Japanese)**: Once a month
- **Mechanical Engineering Journal**: Six times a year (Bimonthly)
- **Mechanical Engineering Letters**: Issued as necessary
- **Journal of Fluid Science and Technology**: Issued as necessary
- **Journal of Thermal Science and Technology**: Issued as necessary
- **Journal of Biomechanical Science and Engineering**: Issued as necessary
- **Journal of Advanced Mechanical Design, Systems, and Manufacturing**: Issued as necessary

(Publication Fee)
Article 8. Upon publication, the publication fee described in the table below shall be collected:

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<td>12 pages or less</td>
<td>40,000 JPY</td>
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<td>13 pages or more</td>
<td>Additional 5,000 JPY per page</td>
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(Amendment, Withdrawal, and Cancellation of Published Articles)
Article 9. For the request for correction of typographical errors in the published paper, we shall respond according to the J-STAGE open system. Other corrections shall be handled by the editorial committee.

Article 10. When there is a request for withdrawal of the published manuscript and when the editorial committee has approved the withdrawal, we shall respond according to the J-STAGE open system.

Article 11. If it is found that the published paper does not comply with the authors’ obligations as prescribed in the “Ethical Policy Regarding Submission and Review of Papers” measures to cancel the published paper shall be taken in accordance with the J-STAGE open system.

Changes to the provisions mentioned above require approval of the editorial board.

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