

PLAGIARISM POLICY

The *International Journal of Legal Research (IJLR)* upholds the highest standards of **academic integrity** and is committed to publishing **original research**. Plagiarism, including **self-plagiarism**, is strictly prohibited and considered a **serious ethical violation**.

Definition of Plagiarism

Plagiarism includes, but is not limited to:

- Using another author's **ideas, text, or expressions** without proper citation.
- **Paraphrasing** content without appropriate acknowledgment.
- **Verbatim copying** without quotation marks and citation.
- Submitting **previously published work** as new research (self-plagiarism).
- Submitting the **same manuscript to multiple journals** (redundant publication).

Permissible Plagiarism Percentage

- The journal allows a **maximum of 10% similarity index** in the manuscript, excluding references, footnotes, and legal provisions.
- Any submission exceeding **10% similarity** will be subject to **immediate rejection** or **revision requirements** based on editorial discretion.

Author Responsibilities

Authors must ensure that:

- Their submissions are **original** and properly referenced.
- **All sources are acknowledged** and cited appropriately.
- The manuscript is **not under review or published elsewhere**.

Editorial Process and Plagiarism Detection

- All manuscripts undergo **plagiarism detection** using specialized software.

- If **plagiarism is detected above the permissible limit**, authors will be:
 - Notified and given **opportunity to revise and resubmit** (if the similarity is slightly above 10%).
 - **Rejected immediately** if plagiarism is substantial or intentional.

Preventive Measures

To maintain academic integrity, authors should:

- Use **plagiarism detection tools** before submission.
- Ensure **proper citation and attribution** of all sources.
- Follow the journal's formatting and referencing guidelines strictly.

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