

# GUIDELINES FOR REFEREES

## JOURNAL OF GEOMETRIC MECHANICS

These guidelines describe the main points that should be assessed at the time of refereeing a draft submitted for publication in JGM.

### 1 Scientific and Technical Requirements

- The paper should be scientifically correct, containing novel and original results.
- If the paper is expository, the subject matter should be of broad interest, and the presentation accessible to most readers of the journal.
- The ideas contained in the paper should be clearly and correctly presented.
- The subject matter of the paper should be appropriate for the journal. See the journal webpage <http://aimsciences.org/journals/jgm/index.htm> for a list of topics covered by the journal.
- The relationship of the work with the most recent contributions in the subject area should be clear.
- The papers should match the editorial style of AIMS journals. See the AIMS webpage [http://aimsciences.org/journals/Tex\\_prep.htm](http://aimsciences.org/journals/Tex_prep.htm) for details.
- There are no special requirements concerning length.

### 2 RECOMMENDATIONS

The referee should clearly suggest to the editor a course of action among the following possibilities:

1. Accept the paper as is.
2. Conditionally accept the paper with modifications subject to the approval of the editor.

3. Conditionally accept the paper with modifications subject to the approval of the reviewer.
4. Reject the paper because:
  - Results have already been published.
  - Results are not significant enough for publication.
  - The paper contains significant errors that cannot be handled with just a revision.
  - The paper is so poorly written that its contribution cannot be assessed.