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For a professional and scholarly appearance, we are requesting that ALL papers be submitted for the [*Proceedings of the Wisconsin Space Conference*](#) in the following prescribed format. Please review a recent publication of the Wisconsin Space Conference for examples of the format guidance below. You are encouraged to use one of the provided template (Word, LaTeX) for developing your manuscript.

1. **Size.** 8-1/2" x 11" letter-sized white paper, single-sided print only, with 1" margins on the left and right, and 1" margins on the top and bottom. Text font size 12 point Times New Roman. Footnotes, captions, and references should be 10 pt. Text should be left and right justified.
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3. **Title and author block.** On the same page as the first page of text, centered. Title 12 pt. bold; subtitle, if any, 12 pt. bold, on a second line. Capitals on first letters of important words; not all caps. Skip one line. Author on next line, no degrees, Dr., etc., and not in bold face. Skip one line. Affiliation on next lines: department; university or school, city, industry (do not include mailing address). Footnote on bottom of first page acknowledging WSGC and any other financial support plus other important support as required. As we make awards to individuals, we expect to see that individual as the author or at least the senior/first author of all papers; if there are other true authors (not just contributors, who should be acknowledged in a footnote), they can appear as second or third authors.
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10. **References.** Use Standard APA citation style. References should be collected in alphabetical, not numerical, order and will appear under a subtitle of "References."
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