

The American Psychological Association has introduced the 7th edition of the APA Publication manual to replace the 6th edition in October 2019. This new edition focused on citing online materials, using gender-specific pronouns, and bias-free languages.

We have highlighted some of the major changes for you:

Major Changes		APA 6th edition	APA 7th edition
Referencing	1	The location of the publisher was required in reference list	The location of the publisher is no longer included in the reference list
	X	Fairbank, J. (1992). China : A new history. Cambridge, Mass.: Belknap Press of Harvard University Press.	
	✓	Fairbank, J. (1992). China : A new history. Belknap Press of Harvard University Press.	
	2	Up to 7 authors should be provided in reference list	Up to 20 authors should be provided in reference list
	X	Hung, I. F., Cheng, V. C., Li, X., Tam, A. R., Hung, D. L., Chiu, K. H., ... Yuen, K. (2020). SARS-CoV-2 shedding and seroconversion among passengers quarantined after disembarking a cruise ship: A case series. <i>The Lancet Infectious Diseases</i> , 20(9), 1051-1060. doi:10.1016/s1473-3099(20)30364-9	
	✓	Hung, I. F., Cheng, V. C., Li, X., Tam, A. R., Hung, D. L., Chiu, K. H., Yip, C. C., Cai, J., Ho, D. T., Wong, S., Leung, S. S., Chu, M., Tang, M. O., Chen, J. H., Poon, R. W., Fung, A. Y., Zhang, R. R., Yan, E. Y., Chen, L., ... Yuen, K. (2020). SARS-CoV-2 shedding and seroconversion among passengers quarantined after disembarking a cruise ship: A case series. <i>The Lancet Infectious Diseases</i> , 20(9), 1051-1060. https://doi.org/10.1016/s1473-3099(20)30364-9	
	3	DOI label is required	DOI label is replaced by the complete hyperlink
	X	To, K. K., & Yuen, K. (2020). Seroprevalence of SARS-CoV-2 in Hong Kong returnees – Authors' reply. <i>The Lancet Microbe</i> , 1(4), e148. doi:10.1016/s2666-5247(20)30092-6	
	✓	To, K. K., & Yuen, K. (2020). Seroprevalence of SARS-CoV-2 in Hong Kong returnees – Authors' reply. <i>The Lancet Microbe</i> , 1(4), e148. https://doi.org/10.1016/s2666-5247(20)30092-6	
	4	URLs should be listed with "Retrieved from"	URLs no longer listed with "Retrieved from", website site's name is include, and web page title is italicized
	X	Owen, M., Hilliar, A., & Laurain, J. (2020, October 14). Race for a Covid vaccine: Are lives at risk as countries try to find a quick fix?. Retrieved from https://www.france24.com/en/20201014-race-for-a-covid-vaccine-are-lives-at-risk-as-countries-try-to-find-a-quick-fix	
	✓	Owen, M., Hilliar, A., & Laurain, J. (2020, October 14). <i>Race for a Covid vaccine: Are lives at risk as countries try to find a quick fix?</i> France 24. https://www.france24.com/en/20201014-race-for-a-covid-vaccine-are-lives-at-risk-as-countries-try-to-find-a-quick-fix	

In-text Citation	5	For in-text citation with 3 -5 authors, all author' names are listed.	For in-text citation with 3 or more authors, use only first author's name followed by et al.
	X	(Schaie, Werner-Wahl, Mellenkopf, & Oswald, 2003)	
	✓	(Schaie et al., 2003)	
Bias-free Language & Gender-specific Pronouns	6	No stress on using gender-neutral pronouns	Singular " they " or " their " is endorsed as gender-neutral pronoun
	X	A actors' career depends on how popular he or she is.	
	✓	A actors' career depends on how popular they are.	
	7	No stress on reducing age-related bias	Age-related bias should be avoid by using an age range
	X	People over 65 years old	
	✓	People in the age range of 65 to 75 years old	
	8	No stress on labeling individuals	Descriptive phrases should be used instead of using adjectives or nouns that label
	X	The disabled	
✓	People who are physically challenged		
Writing Style	9	2 spaces at the end of a sentence	1 space at the end of a sentence
	10	Italics to refer to linguistic examples	Double quotation marks to refer to linguistic examples
	X	they	
✓	"they"		

Please refer to the APA Publication manual 7th edition for the complete changes. TWC members are welcome to check out the latest APA manual and the concise guide to APA style from both KPC and KHC Libraries.

Title	Call Number	Link to TWC Search
Publication manual of the American Psychological Association: the official guide to APA style	BF76.7 .P83 2020	https://twc.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/852TWC_INST/h6tebb/alm_a990000808760108062
Concise guide to APA style	BF76.7 .C66 2020	https://twc.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/852TWC_INST/h6tebb/alm_a990000814260108062

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Reporting quantitative research in psychology: how to meet APA style journal article reporting standards	BF76.5 .C667 2019	https://twc.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/852TWC_INST/h6tebb/alm_a990000814440108062
Reporting qualitative research in psychology: how to meet APA style journal article reporting standards	BF76.5 .L485 2019	https://twc.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/852TWC_INST/h6tebb/alm_a990000814430108062
APA: the easy way!	BF76.7 .H68 2020	https://twc.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/852TWC_INST/h6tebb/alm_a990000830140108062
APA simplified: your concise guide to the 7th edition	BF76.7 .H383 2020	https://twc.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/852TWC_INST/h6tebb/alm_a990000830150108062
Easywriter: with exercises	PE1408 .L85 2019	https://twc.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/852TWC_INST/h6tebb/alm_a990000830120108062
The Concise APA Handbook: APA 7th Edition	Online Access	https://twc.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/852TWC_INST/h6tebb/alm_a990000833620108062