Copyright Rules

Copyright Rules of the Japan Geoscience Union 2021.10.08

(Purpose)

Article 1: The purpose of these rules is to make agreements on the handling of copyrights for works published by the Public Interest Incorporated Association Japan Geoscience Union (hereinafter referred to as "the Association").

(The definitions of the terms)

Article 2: The definitions of the terms used in these rules shall be as follows.

- (1) "Copyright": The term "copyright" shall have the same meaning as copyright as defined in the Copyright Act of Japan and shall include all rights provided for in Articles 21 to 28 of the Copyright Act.
- (2) "Works": The term "works" has the same meaning as the term "work" as defined in the Copyright Act.
- (3) "Authors": The term "author" means the person who creates a work as defined in the Copyright Act.

(The ownership and transfer of copyright)

Article 3:

- 1. The copyright of the following works transmitted through the Association shall belong to the Association.
- (1) Abstracts of the Japan Geoscience Union annual meetings
- (2) Japan Geoscience Letters, the newsletter of the Japan Geoscience Union
- (3) works in the database of the Association
- (4) publications such as produced by commemorative events of the Association
- (5) items posted and publicly transmitted on the websites of the Japan Geoscience Union and the Japan Geoscience Union Meeting.
- 2. When an author publishes a work in a publication of the Association, the author shall transfer the right of reproduction and the right of public transmission (Internet distribution, etc.) to the Association, and shall grant permission for distribution. Property rights and moral rights other than the right of reproduction and public transmission shall be reserved by the author in principle. The copyright of materials for academic presentations at the Japan Geoscience Union meeting belongs to the author.
- 3. With regard to copyrighted works such as photographs and illustrations, if the author grants permission to the Association to use the work for publication, etc., the Association may request that the copyright be retained by the author. However, the author's name must be clearly indicated under the work.
- 4. All texts, illustrations, photographs, and other works published by the Association that do not clearly indicate the author are corporate works of the Association, and all copyrights belong to the Association.

- 5. The transfer of copyright to the Association shall be deemed to be completed when a separately specified copyright transfer form is signed and submitted to the Association together with the work after it has been determined that the work will be published.
- 6. The handling of copyrights that do not fall under these rules shall be discussed separately between the Association and the author.
- 7. In the event that it is determined that a work submitted to the Association will not be published in a publication of the Association, the work shall be returned to the author.

(Use of works)

Article 4:

- 1. When copying or reproducing the whole or a part of the said work, the permission of the Association shall be obtained and the fee separately determined shall be paid. However, no license or royalty fee shall be required in the following cases.
- (1) Those that do not require a license or royalty fee
- a. When the copyright is restricted under Article 30 or later of the Copyright Law
- b. When the author himself uses the work for research or education without profit
- (2) Those that require a license but no royalty fee.
- a. Use by a person other than the author for research or educational purposes other than profit-making purposes in line with the purposes of the Association.
- 2. In the case of public transmission (i.e., publication on the Internet) of all or part of the relevant work, permission must be obtained from the Association and the fee must be paid. However, a license or royalty fee shall not be required for those which meet the following conditions
- (1) Non-commercial public transmission on the author's personal website;
- (2) Non-commercial public transmission on the website of a research project related to the work;
- (3) Use as an achievement database in the author's organization or use in a library.
- 3. The procedure for photocopying of the journal "Japan Geoscience Letters" will be entrusted to the Japan Academic Association for Copyright Clearance. In addition, the use and royalty fees for copying, public transmission, etc. of the works of the Association shall be discussed with the Association.
- 4. When using the works of the Association, the source of the work must be clearly indicated.

(Author's responsibility and copyright infringement) Article 5.

1. The author shall be responsible for the content of any work for which the Association holds the copyright and for which the author was involved in its creation. In the event of copyright infringement, defamation, or other disputes by a third party, the author shall bear all responsibility and take all necessary measures.

2. In the event of copyright infringement (or suspected infringement) by a third party in relation to a work for which the Association holds the copyright, the Association and the author shall discuss and resolve the matter.

(Exceptional Treatment)

Article 6.

If there is a separate agreement on the copyright of articles, etc. to be submitted at the time of business activities jointly organized by the Association and other academic societies, etc., the said agreement may be applied in preference to these Rules.

(Previously published works)

Article 7.

Works for which the Association holds the copyright prior to the enforcement of these Rules shall be handled in accordance with these Rules, unless the author requests otherwise and the Association recognizes that there are justifiable grounds for such request.

Supplementary Provisions

- 1. Copyrights for the journals of the Association shall be determined separately.
- 2. Amendments to these rules shall be subject to approval by the Board of Directors.
- 3. The detailed regulations necessary for the implementation of these Rules shall be determined separately.
- 4. These Rules shall come into effect on 25 December 2008.
- 5. Amendments to these rules shall take effect on 8 October 2021.

The original text is in Japanese. Any disputes regarding these rules should refer to the Japanese version.