# **Steps for Section Editor**

## Editor handling reviews, making decision and notifying authors

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Note that for each manuscript, there are four sets of information about that manuscript, **Summary, Review, Editing, and History**.

### A. Reviewers assignment

- 1) Select paper #xxx (Figure 1)
- 2) Click Review (Figure 2)
- 3) Click **Select reviewer** (Figure 2)
- 4) Click: a) Enroll existing user as reviewer or b) Create new reviewer (Figure 3)
- 5) Click on ASSIGN (Figure 3)
- 6) Check the **Deadline** for review (Figure 4)
- 7) Send email to reviewer (Figure 4)

Figure 1. Selecting the paper

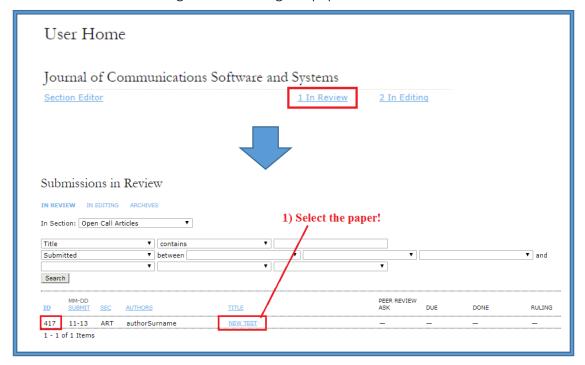


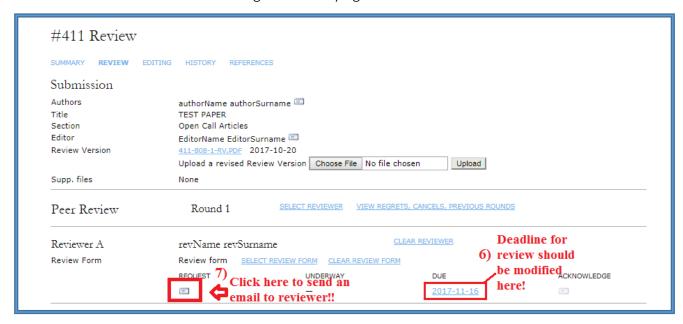
Figure 2. Selecting the reviewer



Figure 3. Assigning the reviewer



Figure 4. Notifying the reviewer

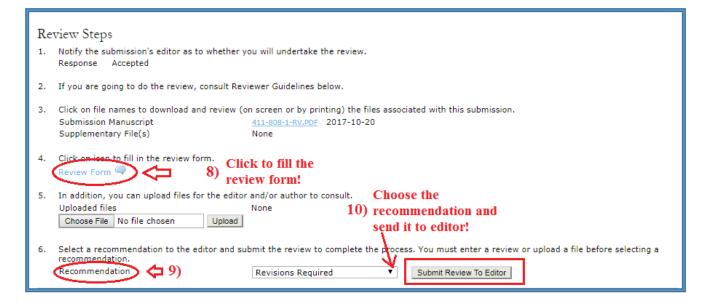


#### A.1. Section Editor as Reviewer

Go through steps 1) - 7) and then make steps 8) - 10).

- 8) Fill the **review form** (Figure 5)
- 9) Choose the **Recommendation** (Figure 5)
- 10) Click Submit Review to Editor (Figure 5)

Figure 5. Filling the review form and choosing the recommendation



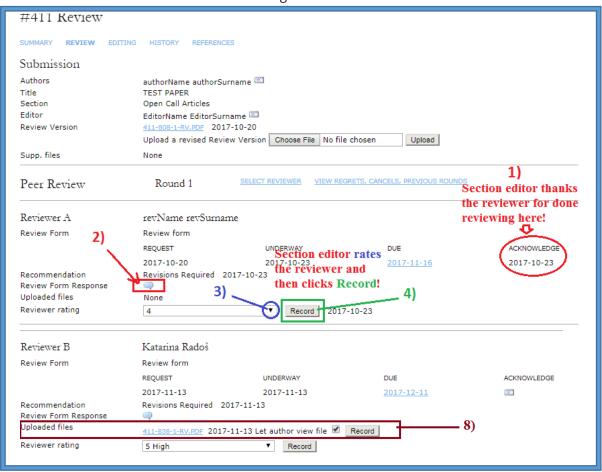
### **B.** Handling Reviews

### B. 1. Round 1

After receiving an email from the reviewer that reviewing is completed, please follow these steps:

- 1) Click on email icon (under the **Acknowledgement**) and send the email to reviewer (Figure 6).
- 2) Click on icon following **Review Form Response** (Figure 6).
- 3) Rate the reviewer at **Reviewer rating** (Figure 6).
- 4) Click Record (Figure 6).

Figure 6.



When all reviews are completed, please follow the steps:

- 5) Select the Round 1 decision at **Editor Decision** (Figure 7).
- 6) Click **Record Decision** (after recording it, the decision could not be changed) Figure 7.
- 7) Click on email icon at **Notify author** (Figure 7).
- 8) If any **Uploaded files** from reviewers check it and click **Record** (Figure 6), and upload it as attachment (Figure 8).
- 9) Click on the button Import Peer Reviews and then click Send (Figure 8).
- 10) If the decision is **Accept Submission**, choose the **latest version** and click on the button **Send to copyediting** to move the paper from status "In review" to "In editing" (<u>Figure 7</u>).

Figure 7.

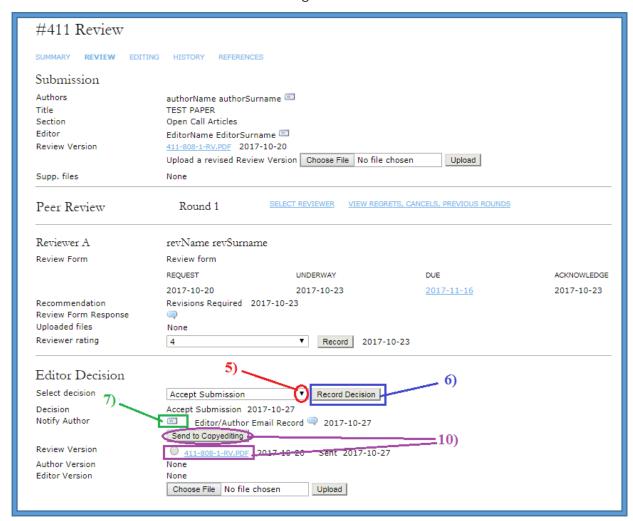
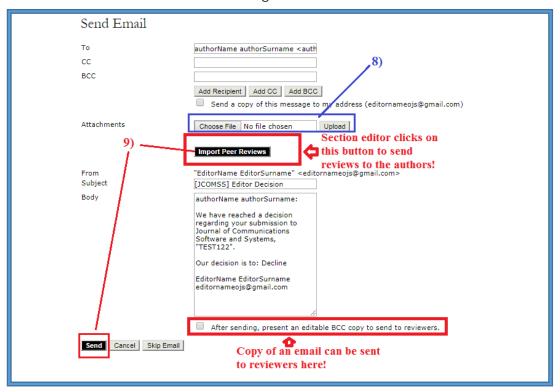


Figure 8.



#### B.2. ROUND 2

When authors uploaded the revised version of the manuscript (confirmed by an email), please follow these steps:

- 1) Click **Review** of the manuscript #xxx (Figure 9).
- 2) Scroll to **Editor Decision** (Figure 9).
- 3) Find the latest revised manuscript at **Author Version** (Figure 9).
- 4) Overview and check the revised manuscript (Figure 9).
- 5) Click on the button **Resubmit** to send the paper for the second round of review.
- 6) Click on Select Review form, choose the Review form (Round 2) and click Assign.

**NOTE:** If the reviewer's recommendation was **Revisions Required** (Minor changes), Editor decides whether to send the revised manuscript to the reviewer or not. If the reviewer's recommendation was **Resubmit for Review** (Major changes), Editor passes the revised manuscript to **Review Round 2** assigning the same reviewer as in **Round 1**. If the reviewer's recommendation was **Resubmit for Review**, Editor passes the manuscript to **Review Round 2** assigning new (preferable) reviewer.

- 7) To assign the same reviewer, follow steps 6) 7) in A. Reviewers assignment.
- 8) To assign new reviewer, please follow steps in A. Reviewers assignment.

NOTE: Reviews from Round 1 can be seen at View regrets, cancels, previous rounds.

Figure 9.

