

# Guidance for contributors

The Editors welcome contributions, preferably illustrated, on climbs and expeditions and any aspect of mountaineering or mountain knowledge more generally. They also welcome suggestions for contributions which they might seek from others.

*Length* Articles should be concisely written, and normally in the range 2000–4000 words—longer ones can be included by prior arrangement. Contributions to the various Notes (e.g. Climbs and Regional Notes, or Accident, Equipment and Miscellaneous Notes) can range from 100 to about 1500 words, and good photos or diagrams/maps are welcome.

*Typing* Contributions should preferably be typed, double spaced, on one side of A4 or quarto, and with the pages numbered. Authors are advised to keep a spare copy.

*Special requirements for contributions on climbs or expeditions* It is helpful to have the names *and full initials* of the whole party, and the dates and heights of first ascents, which will normally be summarised in a short note at the end of each article. We also welcome as much information as possible likely to be of use to other parties (e.g. a diagram or description giving the standard of individual sections, availability of maps, references to earlier literature, and guidance on future possibilities in the area, or special equipment or transport considerations). Up to eight photos can be published, according to their interest and importance; those of a record nature—i.e. showing the route taken (preferably marked on a separate piece of tracing paper), conditions to be expected, or future possibilities—are especially valuable. Sketch maps giving hitherto unpublished information, are also useful. In the case of short notes on expeditions, please indicate where a full report is available.

*Quality etc., of photographs, maps and diagrams* Photographs should ideally be glossy black and white of high quality; but we can work from colour transparencies if necessary. Photographs, maps and diagrams should preferably be about one and a half times their eventual size in the *Journal*. Although it is helpful to have maps and diagrams ready for printing (making sure that place names are accurate and in conformity with the article), we can have them redrawn as necessary for publication. Each photo should have lightly marked on a separate piece of paper attached to it (to avoid damaging the print), its title, author and any copyright: please do not write on the back of the print, since this can show through when block-making. Always include stiffening when posting prints to prevent bending and avoid pins, paper clips etc. which can damage prints.

*Offprints* Ten offprints of an article or substantive note will be provided to the author free of charge, provided this is requested in advance.

*Dates for submission* It is a great help to have contributions as early as possible, preferably in the autumn, but they should in any case arrive by end-December, unless arrangements have been made with the Editor for them to arrive up to mid-February, the final date.

*Addresses* Material for publication should be addressed to the new Hon. Editor direct: Edward C. Pyatt, 64 Percy Road, Hampton, Middlesex. Tel. 01-979 1450 (home) and 01-977 3222 (office). Advertising is dealt with by the Business Editor (R. G. Pettigrew, c/o Education Office, The Castle, Winchester, Hants) and sales matters by West Col Productions, 1 Meadow Close, Goring, Reading, Berkshire RG8 0AP. Review copies of books and journals should be sent to the Hon. Librarian at the Alpine Club.

## Standard signs on maps and photographs

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- BC Base Camp; ABC Advanced Base Camp; RC recce camp
- C1 Camp 1; B bivouac; B1 first bivouac; D dump
- ▲ peak climbed by the expedition; △ other peak
- camp or bivouac
- shelter
- village
- route taken; ..... route taken but obscured from view