**Initial criteria for reviewing manuscript format and structure**

1. Topic in line with journal’s focus.
2. Maximum length of 7,500 words for *scientific and review articles*. For *scientific or technological notes*, as well as for descriptions of new cultivars and methodologies, maximum length of 4,000 words. In all cases with one-and-a-half-line spacing.
3. 2.5-cm margins on all four sides.
4. Consecutively numbered pages.
5. Arial, size-12 font.
6. Lines numbered continuously in left margin, except for tables, figures and images.
7. Title with a maximum of 150 characters. Scientific names written in parentheses.
8. Names (scientific, active ingredients, etc.) in titles according to author's guide.
9. Format of authors according to author's guide.
10. Affiliation and full address with email and phone number.
11. Abstract with a maximum of 250 words for scientific and review articles; 150 words for scientific or technological notes, methodologies and descriptions of varieties.
12. Keywords according to topic and author's guide.
13. Tables made in the text processor table editor according to author's guide.
14. Equations made in the text processor equation editor (Ms Microsoft) with Arial, 12-point font for signs and numerals.
15. Images with 300-dpi resolution; 945 x 945 pixel size in JPG or TIFF format. In case of containing text, Arial, 8-point font, without appearing incomplete.
16. Figures, graphs and flow diagrams as images, not objects, and in accordance with author’s guide.
17. Literature cited according to author's guide.
18. Concise and fluid writing (low fog index), which facilitates translation. Avoid overuse of words to express statements or ideas.
19. Coincidence of objectives mentioned in abstract and introduction.
20. Clear description of factors, treatments, experimental unit or sampling and statistical analysis.
21. Self-sufficient tables and figures according to authors' guide.
22. Results and discussion based on statistical analysis, together with the levels of significance.
23. Conclusions consistent with the objectives and scope of the research.