

National Institute of Informatics CiNii Articles Usage Detailed Regulations

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Article 1 (Objective)

The objective of these Detailed Regulations is to stipulate matters necessary for usage of the CiNii Articles (Citation Information by NII) service (hereinafter referred to as the “Service”) provided by the National Institute of Informatics (hereinafter referred to as the “Institute”) of the Research Organization of Information and Systems, based on the provisions of Clause 3 of Article 3 of the National Institute of Informatics Academic Content Service Usage Regulations (hereinafter referred to as the “Academic Content Service Usage Regulations”).

Article 2 (Compliance with the Detailed Regulations)

A person using the Service (hereinafter referred to as the “User”) shall comply with these Detailed Regulations, and each such User shall be considered to have accepted these Detailed Regulations.

Article 3 (Service particulars)

1. The Service provides a search and viewing service for information relating to academic papers published in academic journals such as the journals of academic societies and research bulletins.
2. The Service comprises the services listed in the following items.
 - (i) The “Basic Service” is a service for academic paper search and for viewing bibliographic information (titles of papers, authors, etc.) about academic papers.
 - (ii) The “Supplementary Service” is a service for viewing supplementary information about academic papers (citation information, etc.).
 - (iii) The “Academic Paper Full Paper Viewing Service” is a service for viewing the full texts of academic papers. The full academic papers are displayed by using the search function of the Basic Service or the Supplementary Service.

Article 4 (User categories)

The User categories for the Service are the categories listed in the following items.

- (i) An “Individual User” is an individual who has made the prescribed usage application in advance and received approval. An Individual User may use the Service by utilizing the user ID and password issued by the Institute at the time of usage authorization.

- (ii) An “Institutional User” is a person who is a member of an institution that has made a usage application and received approval, and who is permitted to use the Service by utilizing an authentication method (IP Address, Shibboleth authentication, etc.) for which the said institution has received authentication approval.
- (iii) An “Institution-Affiliated Individual User” is an Institutional User described in the preceding item who has made and received approval of a usage application for use of the Service by a means other than that of utilizing an IP Address of the institution concerned. An Institution-Affiliated Individual User may use the Service by utilizing the user ID and password issued by the Institute at the time of usage authorization or, in cases in which the institution concerned has received approval to use Shibboleth authentication, by utilizing the user ID and password issued to each such individual by the said institution.
- (iv) A “General User” is a person other than those described in the preceding three items who may use the Service without making a usage application. However, usage of the Supplementary Service is excluded.

Article 5 (Usage application, approval and cancellation)

1. A person wishing to use the Service as an Individual User or Institution-Affiliated Individual User, or an official representative of an institution wishing to use the Service as an Institutional User shall make an application using the prescribed method and obtain approval from the Institute.
2. The Institute shall examine the application described in the preceding clause and give approval if it is considered to be appropriate.
3. The Institute shall issue a user ID and password for each individual to Individual Users and Institution-Affiliated Individual Users for whom usage is approved. An Individual User who has received usage authorization shall pay an annual registration fee to the Institute by the prescribed method.
4. An Institution that has received usage authorization shall pay an annual fixed charge to the Institute by the prescribed method.
5. The Institute shall not approve the usage application of a User to whom any of the following items apply, and the Institute may cancel the approval if it is discovered after approval has been granted that any of the items applies.
 - (i) The usage application does not conform to the prescribed method;
 - (ii) Particulars of the usage application are false or significantly incorrect;
 - (iii) The applicant has previously violated the Academic Content Service Usage Regulations or these Detailed Regulations;
 - (iv) There is sufficient cause to judge that there is a risk that the applicant will violate the Academic Content Service Usage Regulations or these Detailed Regulations;
 - (v) There is sufficient cause for the Institute to judge that approval would be inappropriate for other reasons.

Article 6 (Management of user IDs and passwords)

1. An Individual User or Institution-Affiliated Individual User may not permit a third party to use his or her user ID or password or loan, transfer, or disclose the user ID or password to a third party. If theft of a user ID or password or improper use of a user ID or password by a third party is discovered, the Institute must be notified thereof immediately and any instructions issued by the Institute must be followed.
2. The Institute shall accept no responsibility whatsoever for any loss or damage arising as a result of erroneous use of a user ID or password or through improper use of the user ID and password by a third party. If a user ID or password is used by a third party, the Institute shall regard such usage as usage by the person corresponding to the user ID.
3. Each individual's password may be changed by that individual by utilizing the prescribed method.

Article 7 (Usage charges)

1. The Basic Service shall be free of charge and may be used by all Users.
2. The Supplementary Service and the Academic Paper Full Paper Viewing Service shall require payment, the charges therefor to be stipulated separately.
3. The full academic papers provided by the Academic Paper Full Paper Viewing Service (hereinafter referred to as "Content") shall comprise free Content that can be used by all Users and paid Content that can be used by Users in the categories described in the following items. Pay-per-use charges for paid Content shall be displayed separately or in batches when the Service is searched.
 - (i) Individual Users and General Users may use the paid Content by means of pay-per-use charges levied on each individual.
 - (ii) Institutional Users may use the paid Content by means of an annual fixed charge levied on the institution concerned. However, paid Content designated as not being usable under the annual fixed charge may not be used.
 - (iii) Institution-Affiliated Individual Users may use the paid Content by means of an annual fixed charge levied on the institution concerned. However, paid Content specified as not being usable under the annual fixed charge may be used through pay-per-use charges levied on each individual Institution-Affiliated Individual User.
4. The annual registration fees for Individual Users and the annual fixed charges for institutions shall be as stated in Annex 1.
5. The Institute cannot return to a User any usage charges that have been paid.

Article 8 (Method of payment for usage charges)

1. The method of payment for usage charges for the Service for each User category shall be as described in each of the following items.
 - (i) An Individual User shall pay an annual registration fee on receiving usage authorization and shall pay pay-per-use charges corresponding to the paid Content used. The method of payment shall be payment by credit card.
 - (ii) With regard to Institutional Users, their institutions shall pay an annual fixed charge for which the Institute shall send an invoice for the annual fixed charge for the appropriate financial year in the month of commencement of usage.
 - (iii) An Institution-Affiliated Individual User shall pay pay-per-use charges corresponding to paid Content used. The method of payment shall be payment by credit card.
 - (iv) A General User shall pay pay-per-use charges corresponding to paid Content used. The method of payment shall be payment by credit card.
2. Notwithstanding the provisions of the items in the preceding clause, the Institute may when necessary determine a User's method of payment after consultation with the User.

Article 9 (Payment deadline and late-payment charges)

1. The deadline for payment of usage charges for the Service as prescribed in the preceding article shall be as described in each of the following items.
 - (i) If the method of payment of usage charges is payment by invoice, payment shall be made by the last day of the month following the month in which the invoice is sent.
 - (ii) If the method of payment of usage charges is payment by credit card, the date of payment shall be the date prescribed by the credit card company.
2. If payment is delayed beyond the deadline for payment, an amount calculated at an annual rate of 5 percent shall be paid as a late-payment charge in respect of the period from the day after the date of the payment deadline to the day on which payment is made.

Article 10 (Period of use)

1. The period of use for the Service shall be as described in the following items.
 - (i) For Individual Users, the period of usage shall be one year from the date of commencement of usage. The date of commencement of usage shall be the date upon which the ID and password are issued.
 - (ii) For Institutional Users and Institution-Affiliated Individual Users, the period of usage shall be from the date on which the institution received usage authorization until the last day of the relevant financial year (from April 1 to March 31 of the following year).
2. The Institute shall issue advance notification of the end of the period of usage to Individual Users, Institutional Users and Institution-Affiliated Individual Users no later than one month prior to the end of the period of usage. If these Users wish to

continue usage, they must give the Institute notice of continuation of usage by the prescribed method. If notice of continuation of usage is not given, usage authorization will lapse at the end of the period of usage. This shall also apply when usage authorization has been cancelled.

Article 11 (Notification of changes)

1. If changes in particulars occur after submission of a usage application, the User must promptly notify the Institute thereof by the prescribed method.
2. If a User delays giving the notice prescribed in the preceding clause, the Institute shall accept no responsibility for any unfavorable consequences suffered by the User. Moreover, if notices, etc., have been sent to a User by the Institute but have not actually reached the User, they shall be deemed to have been delivered if they can reasonably be presumed to have been delivered.

Article 12 (Termination of usage)

If an Individual User, Institutional User, or Institution-Affiliated Individual User intends to terminate usage of the Service during the period of usage, the Institute must be notified by the prescribed method.

Article 13 (Failures with regard to provision of paid Content)

On the basis of the provisions of Clause 3 of Article 10 of the Academic Content Service Usage Regulations, if a failure affecting provision of paid Content occurs for a reason attributable to the Institute and the affected User makes a declaration thereof within seven days, the Institute will take the necessary measures to rectify the failure. If, irrespective of the measures taken, the failure is not rectified, the appropriate action to be taken shall be decided through discussion between the Institute and the affected User.

Article 14 (Revisions, etc.)

1. The Institute may revise these Detailed Regulations as required, notifying Users by posting a notification on the Service website or by other means judged appropriate by the Institute. In these cases, unless otherwise stated explicitly, the revised Detailed Regulations will take effect from the time of posting or other notification.
2. These Detailed Regulations shall be governed by the laws of Japan, and the court of first instance for any disputes concerning the Service shall be the Tokyo District Court.

Article 15 (Miscellaneous provisions)

In the event that any inconsistencies arise between the Japanese version of these regulations and any translated version hereof, the text of the Japanese version shall take precedence.

Supplementary provision

These Detailed Regulations shall come into effect on April 1, 2005.

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Annex 1

1. Annual fixed charges for institutions

The annual fixed charges for institutions are as shown in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Annual fixed charge for institutions (including tax)

Number of full-time teaching staff/researchers	Special charge	Standard charge
100 or fewer	54,000 yen	162,000 yen
From 101 to 200	108,000 yen	324,000 yen
From 201 to 300	162,000 yen	486,000 yen
From 301 to 400	216,000 yen	648,000 yen
From 401 to 500	270,000 yen	810,000 yen
From 501 to 600	324,000 yen	972,000 yen
From 601 to 700	378,000 yen	1,134,000 yen
From 701 to 800	432,000 yen	1,296,000 yen
From 801 to 900	486,000 yen	1,458,000 yen
From 901 to 1,000	540,000 yen	1,620,000 yen
From 1,001 to 1,100	594,000 yen	1,782,000 yen
From 1,101 to 1,201	648,000 yen	1,944,000 yen
From 1,201 to 1,300	702,000 yen	2,106,000 yen
From 1,301 to 1,400	756,000 yen	2,268,000 yen
From 1,401 to 1,500	810,000 yen	2,430,000 yen
From 1,501 to 1,600	864,000 yen	2,592,000 yen
From 1,601 to 1,700	918,000 yen	2,754,000 yen
From 1,701 to 1,800	972,000 yen	2,916,000 yen
From 1,801 to 1,900	1,026,000 yen	3,078,000 yen
1,901 or more	1,080,000 yen	3,240,000 yen

- 1) Special charges are applied to universities, junior colleges, technical colleges, inter-university research institutes, MEXT-related academic and research institutions, and educational and research institutions, etc. The same special charges apply to overseas educational and research institutions.
- 2) For overseas institutions, the “number of full-time teaching staff/researchers” in Table 1 is the number of teaching staff/researchers primarily conducting research on information relating to Japan. For institutions in developing countries, the charges applied are half the charges of Table 1. For these purposes, developing countries are taken to be countries listed in the OECD Development Assistance Committee List of ODA Recipients.
- 3) For public libraries a charge of 54,000 yen (including tax) currently applies.
- 4) If an institution makes a usage application during the course of a financial year, the fixed annual charge shall be one twelfth of the charge amount stated above multiplied by the number of months from the month of commencement to the end of the relevant financial year (from April 1 to March 31 of the following year).

2. Annual charges for Individual Users and Institution-Affiliated Individual Users
 - 1) The usage application fee for an Individual User shall be 2,160 yen (including tax).
 - 2) The pay-per-use charges for paid Content applied to Individual Users and Institution-Affiliated Individual Users are shown on the Service website.
 - 3) Discounted charges may be applied when an Individual User or Institution-Affiliated Individual User uses Content from an academic society to which he or she is affiliated.

3. Charges for General Users
 - 1) The pay-per-use system charges applied to General Users are shown on the Service website. The pay-per-use charges are to be paid in accordance with the Content whenever the Service is used.