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1. Official communication sent to the authors indicating the misconduct, requesting a letter of apology addressed to the Editorial Committee, Scientific and/or peer reviewers.
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6. Notification of the case and the result of the investigation to the competent authorities, in case the good will of the Universidad Distrital FJC or the INGENIERIA Journal is compromised.



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Consideration of the severity of inappropriate behavior

- Minor misconduct can be dealt with between the editor and the authors without further consultation. The authors have the opportunity to respond to the evidence found.
- Serious misconduct should be consulted first with the Editorial Board, which will define the sanctions and procedure to be followed.
- In case of unethical conduct, the first decision should be made by the editor, who should seek advice first from the Editorial Board; if the problem or situation is graver, the editor should seek advice from the Publication Committee of the School of Engineering.

Additional information

IEEE defines plagiarism as the “reuse of someone else’s prior processes, results, or words without explicitly acknowledging the original author and source” [1]. Plagiarism is also identified as the violation of copyright and intellectual property, which is punishable by law [2].

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- Improper quotation when directly quoting fragments of texts of another author, i.e. failure to apply quotation marks correctly;
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<http://publicationethics.org/files/u7140/redundant%20publication%20A.pdf>

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- THE QUOTATION IS A REFLECTION ON THE CONTINUITY OF A WORK AND SHOWS A COHERENT LINE OF RESEARCH.
- THE PUBLICATION CITED IS A BENCHMARK AND A STARTING POINT FOR THE RESEARCH BEING CARRIED OUT.

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 5. To preserve the integrity of the academic report;
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