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The Hellenic Journal of Physical Education and Sport Sciences is a peer-reviewed scientific journal published by Northern Greece Physical Education Teachers Association. The Journal is published in printed form in Greek language, since 1980. For the past 5 years, the Journal gradually started to publish the abstracts of the accepted papers in English language.

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appendices. The Line Numbering should also be activated from the start of the text.

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 - **Title Page:** In a separate file, write the Title of the paper, the authors and their details. The full details of the correspondence author are also provided..
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1. The editor checks whether the article is within the scope of the Journal and satisfies the general requirements for publication.
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A. Separate Title Page: The authors should state the title of the study. The title should be concise and accurate, reflecting the type of study, the sample and the variables under examination. The names of the authors are then listed together with the relevant institutes. Full details of corresponding author are then provided. In this page, the funding received for this project is also mentioned.

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Introduction: This section includes a presentation of the problem, a short review of literature and identification of the rationale and importance of undertaking this study. At the end of this section, the aims and hypothesis or research questions should be listed.

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Scanlan, T. K. & Passer, M. W.(1979). Sources of competitive stress in young female athletes. Journal of Sport Psychology, 1, 151 -159.

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Martens, R. (Ed.) (1978). Joy and sadness in children's sports, Champaign, I1: Human kinetics, 143-156

Melvin, H. W. (1998). Beyond training, Champaign, I1: Human kinetics. 123-156

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1) Thoden, J. (1991). Testing aerobic power. In J. D. Mac Dougall, H. A. Wenger & H. J. Green (Eds). Physiological testing of the high performance athlete., Champaign,I1: Human kinetics. (pp. 107 - 173)

2) Melvin, H. W. (1989). Anabolic steroids. In Beyond training., Champaign, I1: Human kinetics, (σελ. 97 - 106)

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Marculli, C. (1999). Psychological treatment and mental training in rehabilitation of sport injuries, Proceedings of the 10th European Congress of Sport Psychology, Prague, Publisher's Name, (pp.117 - 145).

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Tables

Tables follow the appendices. Each Table is placed in a separate page and should not have vertical lines. The abbreviations are explained in the Table Legend. Each Table should stand independently within the text and it should not replicate the text or figures.

Figure Legends

The figure legends are listed after the Tables, in a separate page.

Figures

Each figure is submitted as a separate electronic file.

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The manuscript should not exceed 4 pages of A4 Size (excluding figures, images or tables). It consists of

1. Title and author details
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3. Introduction: A very short description of the rationale.
4. Methods & Results: A short description of the history, the assessment and laboratory tests or training program, including the main results
5. Discussion and Conclusions
6. References (no more than 10 references).
7. A minimum number of Tables and Figures (no more than 2 Tables or Figures).

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