

Update on Open Access and the HEFCE requirements for the REF

Research and Open Access Librarians



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Session Aims

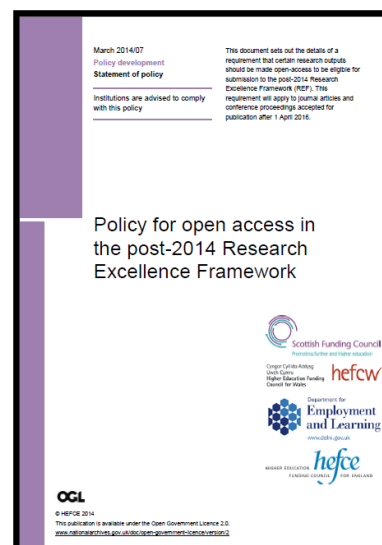
By the end of this session you should know:

- HEFCE Open Access requirements for the post-2014 REF
- What you have to do and how you can do it
- Where to find help with adding publications to the Research Repository

HEFCE POST-2014 REF OA Guidance

Policy available from:

http://www.hefce.ac.uk/media/hefce/content/pubs/2014/201407/HEFCE2014_07.pdf



Key point

- ***When your journal article or conference proceeding (if it has an ISSN number) is accepted, add the Final peer-reviewed manuscript to the Research Repository***
- Forward a copy of the acceptance email to eprints@uwe.ac.uk

What is the **Final peer-reviewed manuscript**?

- It is the final paper after peer review but before copy editing, coding and formatting by publisher

When does this start?

- This all starts for acceptances after 1/4/2016
- However it is useful to start complying with this process now
- All research outputs will need to be submitted in this way as those selected for the REF may not be known until later

Embargos

- The policy allows repositories to respect embargo periods set by publications. Where a publication specifies an embargo period, authors can comply with the policy by making a 'closed' deposit on acceptance
- The deposited article metadata must be discoverable during the embargo period
- Repository team will ensure that the full text is open to the public once the embargo period is complete subject to publisher's policies

Embargos

- The maximum permissible embargo periods, from first online publication, are as follows:
- 12 months for REF main panels A and B (i.e. STEM subjects, UoAs 3-15)
- 24 months for REF main panels C and D (i.e. UoAs 16-36)
 - Panels are taken from last REF, so may be subject to change.
- If you have worries about embargoes, please contact eprints@uwe.ac.uk

Choice of Publication

- It is possible that the conditions set by some journals or publications do not comply with these requirements. Wherever possible, you are advised to choose a journal that will allow you to comply by checking their policies
- Library Services can advise on publishers' policies if required by checking [Sherpa Romeo](#)
- There are some Rogue publishers out there: the research support team can help if you are unsure

Deposit Process

- When your article is accepted for publication, you should deposit it onto the Repository immediately. Do not wait until it is published
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Deposit Process

- If the publisher requires an embargo period before the full text can be opened to the public, the library's repository team will ensure it is respected
- If there is no publisher embargo, the repository team will make it freely available as soon as possible and no later than one month after deposit
- You are encouraged, but not required, to augment the accepted manuscript with the final published version of record when it is available, provided your publisher allows this

Implications of non compliance

- You will have 3 months after the day of acceptance to post the final accepted version on the repository but do not delay. Post immediately on acceptance

Otherwise

- You will not be allowed to use that output in a future REF
- No retrospective OA will be allowed

Please remind your colleagues

Help!

- 'How to Deposit' section - repository navigation bar
- Contact the Repository Team:
 - E-mail eprints@uwe.ac.uk
 - Call ext. 86438

Help / Questions

- HEFCE FAQs available at

<http://www.hefce.ac.uk/whatwedo/rsrch/rinfrastruct/oa/faq/>

Or contact

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Thank you for attending