

A few tricks for preparing LATEX manuscripts for ESA journals
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1 Font size

A 12 pt font size can be specified in the documentclass statement in the Latex preamble:

```
\documentclass[12pt,english]{article}
```

2 Margins and paper size

Margins and paper size can be specified in the geomtry statement in the preamble:

```
\geometry{verbose,a4paper,tmargin=2.4cm,bmargin=2.4cm,lmargin=2.4cm,rmargin=2.4cm}
```

3 Double spacing

Default double spacing in LATEX is roughly four lines per inch. To specify double spacing at three lines per inch (the preferred spacing by ESA), first include the setspace package in the preamble:

```
\usepackage{setspace}
```

Then, define the spacing within the manuscript text (between the `\begin{document}` and `\end{document}` statements):

```
\begin{document}
```

```
\begin{spacing}{1.9}
```

Here goes the manuscript text.

```
\end{spacing}
```

```
\end{document}
```

4 Line numbering

Line numbering can be incorporated by using the lineno package. Add the following statements in the preamble:

```
\usepackage{lineno}
```

```
\linenumbers
```

5. To left-justify text...

Besides the command `\geometry{...}` suggested in the guideline to set margins, there is still another command needed for the justification of the text to the left side:

```
\begin{flushleft}
```

```
... text...
```

```
\end{flushleft}
```