

Policy on corrections and retractions

1. Scope

This policy applies to all articles published in Pomorstvo and to post-publication issues arising from errors that affect clarity, accuracy or interpretation of the article; suspected or confirmed research or misconduct; redundant publication, plagiarism, authorship disputes, undeclared conflicts of interest or compromised peer review.

2. Types of Amendments

Pomorstvo recognises three primary categories of post-publication notices:

- Erratum/Corrigendum: for inadvertent errors or publisher/author mistakes that do not invalidate conclusions,
- Expression of Concern: when serious issues are raised but the investigation is incomplete, to alert readers to possible problems,
- Retraction: when findings are unreliable (due to error or misconduct), duplicate publication, or other serious breaches.

3. Criteria for Retraction

Pomorstvo will consider retracting an article when one or more of the following apply:

- Clear evidence that the findings are unreliable.
- Plagiarism, redundant publication or use of data without authorisation.
- Unethical research or serious undisclosed conflicts of interest that compromised interpretation.
- Compromised peer review or publication process manipulation.

Each notice will be clearly labelled, linked to the original article, specify the reason for correction/retraction, be freely accessible.

4. Process for Issuing Notices

The Editor-in-Chief has final responsibility for decisions on correction, expression or retraction notices. Where appropriate, the authors and their institution(s) will be contacted, the issues investigated, responses sought, and documentation retained.

5. Linkage with Other Policies

The correction/retraction procedures are integrated with the journal's other policies (e.g., on misconduct, conflict of interest, ethical oversight, post-publication discussions). Investigations of possible misconduct will trigger this policy and, if needed, lead to correction or retraction.