

## ***WSASAS PROCEEDINGS INSTRUCTIONS TO AUTHORS***

Manuscripts that are prepared for publication in the *Proceedings of the Western Section, American Society of Animal Science* (vol. 68) must be submitted electronically. Submission information and instructions are posted on the WSASAS Meeting webpage. A publication charge of \$100 must be paid at the time of submission for proceedings manuscript up to four pages in length. If a proceedings manuscript is over four pages, the submitting author will be invoiced an additional \$25 per page.

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