

Medical Law Quarterly (Przegląd Prawa Medycznego) – Guidelines for Authors (revised in February 2026)

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6. Please prepare the bibliography with a division into literature (articles, monographs, commentaries, online sources, etc.) and case law (judgments, orders, etc.). Please do not include legal acts in the list.
7. If the publication does not contain a page number, then in the footnote, in place of the page number, you may provide the appropriate editorial unit (e.g., point – pt, side number – sn, etc.).
8. If you use types of sources other than those described below, please describe them carefully, but in a manner as close as possible to the examples below.
9. Bibliographic data (first name, surname, title, etc.) of foreign-language publications should be given in the original language. For alphabets other than Latin, add in square brackets a transliteration compliant with the ISO Standard.

FOOTNOTES

1. Articles in scientific journals

One author: First_Name_Initial. Last_Name, *Text Title*, 'Full Title of the Journal' Year, no. (number), p. (page) / pp. (pages).

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2. A. Pisarska, J. Wethacz, *Prawne aspekty transseksualizmu w Polsce*, 'Przegląd Seksuologiczny' 2015, no. 4, p. 50.
3. P. Bartnik, J. Kacperczyk-Bartnik, M. Próchnicki, A. Dobrowolska-Redo, E. Romejko-Wolniewicz, *Does the status quo have to remain? The current legal issues of transsexualism in Poland*, 'Advances in Clinical and Experimental Medicine' 2020, no. 3, p. 414.

2. Monographs and chapters in monographs

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Chapter in a monograph edited by multiple editors: First_Name_Initial. Last_Name, *Text Title* [in:] *Monograph Title*, eds. Editor's_First_Name_Initial. Editor's_Last_Name,

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Examples:

1. E. Michałkiewicz-Kądziela, *Prawo do tożsamości człowieka w prawie polskim i międzynarodowym*, Warszawa 2020, pp. 23-31.
2. J.G. Brock-Utne, *Anestezjologia. Ciekawe przypadki kliniczne*, Warszawa 2014, pp. 12-14.
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3. Legal commentaries

One author: First_Name_Initial. Last_Name, *Full Title of the Commentary*, Place_of_Issue Year_of_Issue, *commented_legal_unit*, p. (page) / pp. (pages).

Commentary by multiple authors: First_Name_Initial. Last_Name, *commented_legal_unit* [in:] *Full Title of the Commentary*, ed. Editor's_First_Name_Initial. Editor's_Last_Name, Place_of_Issue Year_of_Issue, p. (page) / pp. (pages).

Examples:

1. A. Niewęglowski, *Prawo autorskie. Komentarz*, Warszawa 2025, *art. 1*, pp. 20-21.
2. A. Herzog, *art. 270* [in:] *Kodeks karny. Komentarz*, ed. R. Stefański, Warszawa 2020, pp. 1749-1750.
3. A. Zoll, *art. 118* [in:] *Kodeks karny. Część szczególna. Komentarz. T. II. Komentarz do art. 117-277*, ed. A. Zoll, Kraków 2006.
4. A. Stawarska-Rippel, *art. 15¹* [in:] *Kodeks rodzinny i opiekuńczy. Komentarz aktualizowany*, eds. M. Fras, M. Habdas, LEX 2023.

4. Systems of Law (Treatises on branches of law)

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2. M. Kaliński, *art. 322 [Zasądzenie odpowiedniej sumy]* [in:] *Prawo zobowiązań – część ogólna. System Prawa Prywatnego. Tom 6*, ed. A. Olejniczak, Warszawa 2023, sn. 10-11.

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7. Rulings of the European Court of Human Rights and the Court of Justice of the European Union

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8. Legal acts

Model: Full name of the act (reference to the Journal of Laws or other place of publication – consolidated version if available), unit number (if applicable).

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Examples:

1. Act of 5 December 1996 on the Professions of Physician and Dentist (Journal of Laws 2024, item 1287), article 15.
2. Regulation of the Minister of Health of 4 May 2023 on the specialisation of physicians and dentists (Journal of Laws 2023, item 975).
3. The Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence Against Women and Domestic Violence of 11 May 2011 (Journal of Laws 2015, item 96).
4. Treaty between the Republic of Poland and the People's Republic of Bangladesh on the mutual promotion and protection of investments of 8 July 1997 (Journal of Laws 2000 No. 43, item 492).
5. Announcement by the President of the Central Statistical Office on the purchase price index for cereals in April 1997 (Official Gazette 1997 No. 31, item 302).
6. Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation) (OJ L 119, 04.05.2016, p. 1).

9. Internet sources

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Glossary of commonly used terms and names of legal acts

Polish term	English equivalent (abbreviation)
Dziennik Ustaw	Journal of Laws
Dziennik Urzędowy Unii Europejskiej	Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU)
Dziennik Urzędowy Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej „Monitor Polski”	Official Gazette of the Republic of Poland
Ustawa z dnia 23 kwietnia 1964 r. – Kodeks cywilny	Act of 23 April 1964 – Civil Code (CC)
Ustawa z dnia 15 września 2000 r. – Kodeks spółek handlowych	Act of 15 September 2000 – Code of Commercial Companies (CCC)
Ustawa z dnia 6 czerwca 1997 r. – Kodeks karny	Act of 6 June 1997 – Penal Code (PC)
Ustawa z dnia 10 września 1999 r. – Kodeks karny skarbowy	Act of 10 September 1999 – Fiscal Penal Code (FPC)
Ustawa z dnia 6 czerwca 1997 r. – Kodeks karny wykonawczy	Act of 6 June 1997 – Executive Penal Code (EPC)
Ustawa z dnia 26 czerwca 1974 r. – Kodeks pracy	Act of 26 June 1974 – Labour Code (LC)
Ustawa z dnia 14 czerwca 1960 r. – Kodeks postępowania administracyjnego	Act of 14 June 1960 – Code of Administrative Procedure (CAP)
Ustawa z dnia 17 listopada 1964 r. – Kodeks postępowania cywilnego	Act of 17 November 1964 – Code of Civil Procedure (CCP)
Ustawa z dnia 6 czerwca 1997 r. – Kodeks postępowania karnego	Act of 6 June 1997 – Code of Criminal Procedure (CCrP)

Ustawa z dnia 25 lutego 1964 r. – Kodeks rodzinny i opiekuńczy	Act of 25 February 1964 – Family and Guardianship Code (FGC)
Ustawa z dnia 20 maja 1971 r. – Kodeks wykroczeń	Act of 20 May 1971 – Code of Misdemeanours (CM)
Ustawa z dnia 5 czerwca 1998 r. – Prawo farmaceutyczne	Act of 5 June 1998 – Pharmaceutical Law (PhL)
Ustawa z dnia 30 sierpnia 2002 r. – Prawo o postępowaniu przed sądami administracyjnymi	Act of 30 August 2002 – Law on Proceedings before Administrative Courts (LPAC)
Ustawa z dnia 5 grudnia 1996 r. o zawodach lekarza i lekarza dentysty	Act of 5 December 1996 on the Professions of Physician and Dentist (APPD)
Ustawa z dnia 15 kwietnia 2011 r. o działalności leczniczej	Act of 15 April 2011 on Medical Activity (AMA)
Ustawa z dnia 15 lipca 2011 r. o zawodach pielęgniarki i położnej	Act of 15 July 2011 on the Professions of Nurse and Midwife (APNM)
Ustawa z dnia 17 sierpnia 2023 r. o niektórych zawodach medycznych	Act of 17 August 2023 on Certain Medical Professions (ACPA)
Ustawa z dnia 6 listopada 2008 r. o prawach pacjenta i Rzeczniku Praw Pacjenta	Act of 6 November 2008 on Patients' Rights and Patients' Rights Ombudsman (APR)

Naczelny Sąd Administracyjny	Supreme Administrative Court
Wojewódzki Sąd Administracyjny	Regional Administrative Court
Sąd Najwyższy	Supreme Court
Sąd Apelacyjny	Court of Appeal
Sąd Okręgowy	Regional Court

Sąd Rejonowy	District Court
Trybunał Sprawiedliwości Unii Europejskiej	Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU)
Europejski Trybunał Praw Człowieka	European Court of Human Rights (ECHR)
Rzecznik Praw Pacjenta	Patients' Rights Ombudsman
Rzecznik Praw Dziecka	Commissioner for Children's Rights
Rzecznik Praw Obywatelskich	Commissioner for Human Rights
Okręgowa Izba Lekarska	Regional Medical Chamber
Zakład Opiekuńczo-Lecznicy	Care and Treatment Facility
Zakład Opieki Zdrowotnej	Health Care Facility
Okręgowy Sąd Lekarski	Regional Medical Court
Naczelny Sąd Lekarski	Supreme Medical Court