

## EDITORIAL POLICY OF ALABAMA BIRD LIFE

The editorial policy of **Alabama Bird-life** is to publish authentic scientific articles and field reports pertaining to Alabama ornithology and to publish articles furthering education in ornithology.

To be acceptable, manuscripts should be written in a direct, clear, concise style. Refer to past issues for examples. If references are made in the text, they should be cited at the end of the article in alphabetical order; for example:

### Text

By careful reference to his field guide (Peterson, 1947), the writer was able to identify the birds. They were trapped by Kutz, 1945, method.

### Citations

KUTZ, H. L., 1945, An improved game bird trap. *Journ. Wildl. Mgt.*, 9(1): 35-38.

PETERSON, R. T., 1947, A field guide to the birds. Houghton-Mifflin, Boston, pp. 290.

The authenticity of records is of outstanding importance. Do not submit records which are uncertain. Any unusual record should be verified by the observation by a reliable ornithologist and preferably by the collection of the specimen by an authorized person. For unusual records, state clearly the circumstances under which the bird was observed and by whom and, if collected, where the specimen is placed.

Submit manuscripts to the editor typed on one side only, on unlined 8½" x 11" paper, double spaced (tables included). Omit tables wherever possible. Photographs and drawings will be published only at the author's expense.