

CLArity Guidelines for Submission of Articles

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We reserve the right to edit or refuse submissions. Include a contact number in case we need to speak with you. The submission deadline for the spring issue is January 4; summer issue, April 4; fall issue, July 4; and holiday issue, October 4. No submissions to CLArity will be returned; do not send original manuscripts, art, photos, etc. We reserve the right to modify or change submission guidelines without notice to meet the needs of the publication.

If you are uneasy about writing an article, contact CLArity; we will interview you and help you with the article.

Contact CLArity for details: CLArity@ClutterersAnonymous.org or visit ClutterersAnonymous.org.

Affirmations (300-400 words)

Articles discussing a CLA affirmation from the perspective of the member's experience, strength, and hope (ESH)

CLA History (200-400 words)

Articles relating to events in the history and development of CLA regarding any CLA individual or group, including face-to-face and phone meetings

CLA Toolbox (400-500 words)

Articles about using CLA-approved Tools, such as Telephone, Buddies, Bookending, etc. (Contact CLArity team before writing, since we wish to cover all the Tools before we repeat any.)

Event Articles (250-400 words)

Articles about recent CLA events; for example: conventions, Clutter-Free Days, and declutterthons

General Articles (400-600 words)

Articles about CLA or cluttering issues not covered in the other sections, especially how the writer personally gained ESH

Getting Into Action/Motivation Articles (400-500 words)

Articles about personal ESH and motivation toward recovery and on beginning and maintaining the process of decluttering

Group Stories (400-500 words)

Articles about productive, creative, and successful practices in registered CLA recovery groups

My Favorite Saying (100-200 words)

Articles discussing a CLA slogan, a prayer, or the like

News Flash (Up to 50 words)

Brief CLA news announcements

Qualification (500-700 words)

What it was like before, what you did to recover, and what it is like now

Recovery Moments (200-400 words)

Short articles and anecdotes of personal recovery stories

Sharing on Leaflets (400-600 words)

Articles about CLA literature and how members have used it in their recovery

Spotlight on Service (200-300 words)

Articles about CLA service in general and profiles of members doing service

Articles on Steps/Traditions (400-500 words)

Articles sharing personal experiences working any of the 12 Steps or 12 Traditions of CLA