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Rules and Guidelines for the “Paper of the Year” Award

Terms:

1. The author must be a CAPM&R member.
2. The paper must have been published in the calendar year preceding the CAPM&R meeting.
3. Author must sign the following disclaimer on the cover letter/e-mail message: “I am the principal investigator/author/contributor to this paper”.
4. If the applicant is not the principal investigator/author/contributor, a signed letter stating participation must be submitted for consideration.
5. Only one submission per author.
6. To qualify, the paper must have been published in a peer-reviewed Journal.
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How to apply:

1. Send an electronic (scanned) copy of the paper to the CAPM&R office at capmr@rcpsc.edu along with signed disclaimer as noted above.
2. *Deadline for submission extended: February 5, 2010 @ 5pm ET.*

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1. The chair of the Research Committee will select 3-5 reviewers among, but not limited to, Research Committee of the CAPM&R, CAPM&R members at-large.
2. The reviewers will rank the papers submitted to the chair of the Research Committee.
3. The paper with the highest average rating is the winner.
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