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**Text:** Times New Roman at a size 11 points, justified, single spacing, paragraph indent 0,5 cm, use automated widow control.

**Title of the article:** Times New Roman, size of the text 16, flush left.

**Title of the section:** Times New Roman, size 11, bold, flush left, 2 double spacing above and 1 below.

**Title of subsection:** Times New Roman, size of the text, flush left, 2 double spacing above and 1 below.

**Page number:** Times New Roman, Italic, size of the text, centered, no indent or frame.

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*Table 3 – Distribution in %*

	<i>Men</i>	<i>Women</i>	<i>Total</i>
Abcde	48,1	44,1	46,1
Fghi	44,7	44,3	44,5
Lmno	7,2	11,6	9,4
Total	100	100	100

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Leave one space after but not before the following punctuation marks: full stop (.), comma (,), colon (:), semicolon (;), question mark (?), exclamation mark (!), closing guillemets (») and closing inverted commas (");

12. **Hyphens** are used when two words modify a third word (a compound adjective).

Example: Low-income housing or to join numbers or pages

Example: in the years 1970-80.

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Bottom margin cm 6,2

Left margin cm 4,6

Right margin cm 4,6

Heading cm 4,3

Footner cm 5,3

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