

The Shot Peener

Writers Guidelines - How to Submit an Article

Topics

We welcome articles that present solutions and promote the quality and control of the shot peening and blast cleaning processes. For example, we like stories that explain new technology, techniques, designs and processes that improve the productivity and the competitiveness of our industry.

The Shot Peener is read by a wide range of readers—from machine operators to shop foremen to business owners to researchers—in 81 countries. An article can't be of interest to all of these people but keep at least one of these market segments in mind when you prepare an article.

If you have a concept but don't have the time or inclination to write an article, share the idea with us anyway. If we like the concept, we will interview you and your staff, assist with research and write the article for you. You will have the opportunity to review and approve the final article.

We do not want theoretical design or research articles unless we specifically request your materials. If you send us an unsolicited paper of this nature, we will review it and determine if it is of interest to our readers. If we publish it, we will publish only the abstract and introduction and make the paper available in its entirety in the online library at www.shotpeener.com.

Article Length and Format

We accept articles of 500 to 2,000 words. Please provide the article in a text document. Do not double-space after a period (one space only, please) and do not use ALL CAPS. Do not insert photos in text; photos must be submitted separately. See the section on Images for more information on photography.

Images

Drawings, illustrations and photographs must be 4-inches / 101.6 mm wide with a 300 dpi resolution. Images downloaded from the Internet do not have an acceptable resolution. Please credit the

source if the images are not the property of you or your company. If the ownership of the image is in doubt, we will not use it.

We request professional photography. A photo shot in your facility by a you or a co-worker with a low-resolution digital camera is probably not going to be accepted. Remember that people usually look at the images before reading an article and they make quick judgments on you, your company and our magazine by the quality of the photography.

Review and Editing

The Shot Peener staff will review your article and get back to you within two weeks of article submission. We reserve the right to edit your work when necessary but will advise you of any editing.

Due Dates for Articles

Issue Dates	Closing Dates	Publication Dates
Winter Issue	November 15	January
Spring Issue	February 15	April
Summer Issue	May 15	July
Fall Issue	August 15	October

Compensation

We do not pay for articles but we do give you flexibility in writing your author's biography. You can mention your background and/or your company's products and services. You may also include your photograph but please read the section on Images before submitting the photo.

We will provide extra copies of the magazine and a PDF of the article for reprints and publication at your web site. Publicity in The Shot Peener is an excellent marketing tool and our contributors profit nicely from the experience.

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