

# Paper Type Definitions

## **Full-Length Papers:**

Papers (approximately 10,000–12,000 words) containing original, quantitative, detailed technical material, set into perspective relative to prior work and supported by literature references and specific technical accomplishments.

## **Survey Papers:**

Comprehensive reviews of the literature on a particular subject (18,000–20,000 words).

## **Lectures:**

Papers (usually invited) that received “distinguished lecture” status at an AIAA conference (e.g., the Dryden Lecture, the von Kármán Lecture).

## **Histories of Key Technologies:**

Papers covering the history of a particular aspect of aerospace technology (within the scope of each individual journal).

## **Technical or Engineering Notes:**

Papers (approximately 2500 words) intended for prompt disclosure of new, significant data or developments of limited scope.

## **Technical Comments (or Replies to Comments):**

Brief discussions (approximately 1200 words) of papers previously published in the same AIAA journal (or the original authors’ responses to Comments).

## **Errata:**

Corrections to previously published papers.

## **Design Forum (*Journal of Aircraft* only):**

Papers (approximately 2500–12,000 words) ranging from design case studies of actual or notional air vehicles, to presentation of new design methodologies, to analysis of emerging design trends.

## **Aerospace Letters (*AIAA Journal* only):**

Brief communications (approximately 2000 words) that describe new and potentially important ideas or results, including critical analytical or experimental observations that justify rapid publication.