

United Ethical Review Committee for Research in Psychology (EPKEB)

Application for research proposal approval

If this application is related to, and differs only minimally from, a research proposal already approved by the EPKEB, it can be evaluated by an expedited procedure. In this case, attach the original application, specify its reference number, and answer only the questions that receive answers different from the original one.

Do you apply for an expedited procedure? YES/NO

The reference number of the original application:

1. Institution (university):
2. Department:
3. Name of the investigator (the applicant):
4. Position (student, doctoral student, faculty member, researcher, etc.):
5. Degree (PhD, DSc, etc.):
6. Name of the supervisor (if the applicant does not have a PhD):
7. Mailing address:
8. Email address:
9. Date of application:
10. Date of the expected commencement of the research (if known):
11. Title of the research:
12. Aims/objectives of the research (30 words max):
13. Age range of the participants (e.g., 4 to 8 years):
14. Participant selection criteria:
15. How do you plan to recruit the participants? Attach the relevant documentation (flyers, letter to schools, etc.) if necessary:
16. Do you offer any incentive for participation?
17. Location of the research:
18. Brief description of the proposed research (one page max):
19. What kind of equipment do you use? Attach their specification if necessary (this is not needed if they have been approved in an earlier application):

20. What kind of questionnaires, tests, interviews, etc. do you plan to employ? If these are non-standard procedures that have not yet been approved by the committee, attach a copy of them.
21. The participants must give free and informed consent to the procedure before their involvement. The way this is ensured depends on the age of the participant. The information must always include the participant's right to withdraw the consent any time.
 - a. If the participant is below 3 years of age, the written information is to be provided for the parent/caregiver, who can give his/her written consent on behalf of the child. Attach the information sheet and the consent form.
 - b. If the child is between 3 and 14 years, the parents/caregivers could give their consent as above, while the child can give verbal consent. Attach the information sheet for the parents and the content of the information to be provided to the child in written or verbal format.
 - c. If the child is between 14 and 18 years, both the child and the caregiver must be provide with the information and give written consent to the procedure. If the child's name is not recorded, an opt-out procedure can be used with the parents (i.e., they should be given information and their consent can be presumed unless they explicitly refuse to give their consent). Attach the information sheet and the consent form.
 - d. If the participants are adults, they have to be provided with information about the aim and the procedure of the research, and they must give written consent to their participation. Attach the information sheet and the consent form.
22. Describe how you ensure that the data collected remain confidential and that the participants would not be identifiable from them.
23. Does the procedure involve
 - a. unpleasant stimuli or unpleasant situations?
 - b. invasive procedures or eliciting pain?
 - c. deprivation of water, food, sleep, etc.?
 - d. drug administration?
 - e. any procedure that could harm the participant?
 - f. research on mental patients or at-risk individuals?
 - g. misleading or deceiving the participants?
 - h. withholding information about the nature of the research?

- i. any procedure (e.g., in-depth interviews) that might inadvertently cause anxiety, distress, or suffering to the participant?
 24. Answering YES to any of the above questions does not rule out the approval of the proposal. However, if you have answered to any of the above questions YES, describe how you will ensure the participants' safety and well-being and during the study.
 25. Is there any further aspect of the research that you think is important for ethical consideration?
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I consider my study conforms with the expectations of ethical psychological research and I apply for its approval.

Date:

Signature of the applicant:

I have read the application and I confirm that in my view all ethical issues have been addressed.

Date:

Signature of the supervisor:

The research proposal has been scrutinized and approved by the committee.

Reference number:

Date:

Signature of the chair (or the acting member) of the committee: