

Which Languages Are Allowed? - Updated Journal List

Pure mathematics journals relevant to algebraic geometry, number theory, arithmetic geometry, and algebraic groups
Updated from the March 2022 list - checked / consolidated September 2026

This document updates the March 2022 note on journal language policies. The main purpose is practical: to identify reputable journals to which a manuscript written in French may still be submitted. The original list is retained as the backbone, but entries are reorganized and supplemented by several important journals not present in the 2022 version.

Status key. **FRENCH YES** = current public information explicitly permits French; **CONFIRM** = current public information is silent, ambiguous, or historically multilingual, so a short editorial inquiry is recommended before submission; **EXCEPTION** = French may be possible only exceptionally or at editors' discretion; **ENGLISH ONLY** = current instructions explicitly require English.

Methodological caution. A publisher's generic advice about English-language editing is not treated as proof that English is compulsory. Conversely, historical publication of French articles is not treated as proof that French is accepted today.

Master journal table

Journal	2026 status	Languages	Subject fit	Current note	Publisher / platform
Comptes Rendus Mathématique	FRENCH YES	FR / EN	AG • NT • Algebra	Explicit current bilingual policy; diamond OA.	Academie des sciences / Centre Mersenne
Transformation Groups	CONFIRM	English practical norm	Algebraic groups • Geometry	Current public language rule not sufficiently explicit; ask editor.	Springer
Michigan Mathematical Journal	CONFIRM	Not clearly stated	AG • NT • Algebra	Current public author information does not clearly state permitted languages.	University of Michigan
Annals of Mathematics	FRENCH YES	EN / FR / DE	AG • NT • Groups	Current submission guidelines explicitly allow English, French, or German.	Princeton / IAS
Acta Mathematica	FRENCH YES	EN / FR / DE	AG • NT • Groups	Current submission information explicitly allows English, French, or German.	Mittag-Leffler
Annales scientifiques de l'ENS	FRENCH YES	FR / EN / DE / IT	AG • NT • Groups	Current author information explicitly allows French, English, German, or Italian.	SMF / Centre Mersenne
Proceedings of the London Mathematical Society	ENGLISH ONLY	EN	AG • NT • Algebra	Changed since 2022: current LMS instructions require English.	London Mathematical Society
Journal für die reine und angewandte Mathematik (Crelle)	FRENCH YES	EN / FR / DE	AG • NT • Groups	Current author instructions explicitly allow English, French, or German.	De Gruyter Brill
Duke Mathematical Journal	FRENCH YES	FR accepted	AG • NT • Arithmetic • Groups	French papers explicitly contemplated; bilingual French/English abstracts required.	Duke University Press
Inventiones Mathematicae	CONFIRM	Historically multilingual	AG • NT • Groups	Current public submission page is not explicit enough to rely on without confirmation.	Springer Nature
Mathematische Annalen	CONFIRM	Historically multilingual	AG • NT • Groups	Excellent scientific fit; current public language policy is not explicit enough.	Springer Nature
Mathematische Zeitschrift	CONFIRM	Historically multilingual	AG • NT • Algebra	Current page stresses English editing but does not clearly state a mandatory language rule.	Springer Nature
Research in Number Theory	CONFIRM	English strongly expected	NT • Arithmetic	Ask before submitting French.	Springer Nature
Rendiconti del Circolo Matematico di Palermo	CONFIRM	English strongly expected	AG • NT • Algebra	Ask before submitting French.	Springer Nature
Publications Mathématiques de l'IHÉS	FRENCH YES	FR / EN	AG • Arithmetic • Groups	French and English remain publication languages; now with Centre Mersenne.	IHES / Centre Mersenne
Geometric and Functional Analysis (GAFA)	CONFIRM	English expected	Geometry • Groups	Treat English as practical norm; ask before French submission.	Springer / Birkhauser
Research in the Mathematical Sciences	CONFIRM	English expected	Broad pure math	Current public practice is English; ask if French is essential.	Springer Nature
Abhandlungen aus dem Mathematischen Seminar der Universität Hamburg	CONFIRM	English expected	Broad pure math	Current public policy is not a clear French invitation.	Springer Nature
Lecture Notes in Mathematics	ENGLISH ONLY	EN	Monographs / proceedings	Springer LNM currently expects English.	Springer Nature

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Journal de Mathématiques Pures et Appliquées	ENGLISH ONLY	EN	AG • NT • Analysis	Changed since 2022: current Elsevier description says articles in English.	Elsevier
Journal of Algebra	CONFIRM	Current rule unclear	Algebra • Groups • AG	2022 policy allowed EN/FR/DE; current public information should be confirmed before French submission.	Elsevier
Journal of Number Theory	CONFIRM	Current rule unclear	NT • Arithmetic	2022 policy allowed EN/FR/DE; confirm present policy before French submission.	Elsevier
Advances in Mathematics	ENGLISH ONLY	EN	Broad pure math	Treat as English-only under current publisher practice.	Elsevier
L'Enseignement Mathématique	EXCEPTION	EN; FR exceptional	Broad / expository / research	Current instructions say English, or exceptionally French.	EMS Press
Elemente der Mathematik	FRENCH YES	EN / DE / FR / IT	Expository / broad	Current instructions explicitly allow all four languages.	EMS Press
Rendiconti del Seminario Matematico della Università di Padova	FRENCH YES	EN / IT / FR	AG • NT • Algebra	Current instructions explicitly allow English, Italian, or French.	EMS Press
Journal of the European Mathematical Society (JEMS)	CONFIRM	Not clearly stated	AG • NT • Groups	Current public submission page does not clearly state permitted languages.	EMS Press
Commentarii Mathematici Helvetici	CONFIRM	Not clearly stated	AG • NT • Geometry	Current public instructions do not clearly specify permitted languages.	EMS Press
Algebraic Geometry	CONFIRM	English practical norm	AG	Ask editor before French submission.	Foundation Compositio / EMS Press
Publications of RIMS (Kyoto)	CONFIRM	Not clearly stated	AG • NT • Algebra	Current EMS submission information does not clearly specify language restriction.	EMS Press / RIMS
Groups, Geometry, and Dynamics	CONFIRM	Not clearly stated	Groups • Geometry	Current public instructions are silent on language.	EMS Press
Journal of Noncommutative Geometry	CONFIRM	Not clearly stated	Algebra • Geometry	Current public instructions are silent on language.	EMS Press
Rendiconti Lincei - Matematica e Applicazioni	FRENCH YES	IT / EN / FR	AG • NT • Algebra	Important update: current instructions explicitly allow French.	EMS Press
Revista Matemática Iberoamericana	CONFIRM	Not clearly stated	AG • NT • Algebra	Current public instructions are silent on language.	EMS Press
Annales de l'Institut Henri Poincaré C	ENGLISH ONLY	EN	Analysis / PDE	Current EMS instructions require English.	EMS Press
EMS Surveys in Mathematical Sciences	ENGLISH ONLY	EN	Surveys	Current instructions require English.	EMS Press
Portugaliae Mathematica	ENGLISH ONLY	EN	Broad pure math	Current instructions require English.	EMS Press
Quantum Topology	ENGLISH ONLY	EN	Topology	Current instructions require English.	EMS Press
Forum of Mathematics, Pi	EXCEPTION	EN preferred; others discretionary	AG • NT • broad	Other languages may be considered at editors' discretion.	Cambridge University Press
Forum of Mathematics, Sigma	EXCEPTION	EN preferred; others discretionary	AG • NT • broad	Other languages may be considered at editors' discretion.	Cambridge University Press
Compositio Mathematica	CONFIRM	Not clearly stated	AG • NT • Arithmetic	Excellent thematic fit, but current author instructions do not clearly state permitted languages.	Foundation Compositio / CUP
Journal of Algebraic Geometry	CONFIRM	English encouraged / expected	AG	Scientifically excellent fit; confirm before submitting French.	University Press / AMS distribution
International Mathematics Research Notices (IMRN)	ENGLISH ONLY	EN	AG • NT • Algebra	Current instructions explicitly say non-English submissions are no longer accepted.	Oxford University Press
Open Mathematics	ENGLISH ONLY	EN	Broad pure math	English-only in current practice.	De Gruyter
Cambridge Journal of Mathematics	ENGLISH ONLY	EN	Broad pure math	Treat as English-only.	International Press
Épjournal de Géométrie Algébrique (EPIGA)	FRENCH YES	FR / EN	AG • Arithmetic • Algebraic groups	Explicitly accepts French or English; scope includes algebraic groups and representations.	Episciences
Journal de l'École polytechnique - Mathématiques	FRENCH YES	FR / EN	AG • NT • Groups	Explicit bilingual publication policy.	Centre Mersenne
Bulletin de la Société Mathématique de France	FRENCH YES	FR / EN	AG • NT • Groups	Explicitly publishes in French and English.	SMF
Annales Henri Lebesgue	FRENCH YES	FR / EN	AG • NT • Algebra	Explicit French/English policy; diamond OA.	Centre Mersenne

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Algebra & Number Theory	FRENCH YES	EN usual; other languages welcome	NT • Arithmetic • Algebra	Current instructions explicitly welcome languages other than English.	MSP
Canadian Journal of Mathematics	FRENCH YES	EN / FR	AG • NT • Algebra	Current instructions explicitly accept English or French.	Canadian Mathematical Society / CUP
Canadian Mathematical Bulletin	FRENCH YES	EN / FR	AG • NT • Algebra	Current instructions explicitly accept English or French.	Canadian Mathematical Society / CUP
Journal de Théorie des Nombres de Bordeaux	FRENCH YES	FR / EN	NT • Arithmetic	French remains a normal publication language; bilingual abstracts used.	Centre Mersenne
Bulletin des Sciences Mathématiques	FRENCH YES	FR / EN	Broad pure math	Current publisher information explicitly allows French or English.	Elsevier
Arkiv för Matematik	FRENCH YES	EN / FR / DE	AG • NT • Algebra	Current submission information explicitly allows English, French, or German.	Mittag-Leffler
Annales mathématiques du Québec	FRENCH YES	FR / EN	AG • NT • Algebra	Current policy permits French or English.	Springer / CRM

Practical shortlist for French-language papers

French clearly accepted. Comptes Rendus Mathématique; Annals of Mathematics; Acta Mathematica; Annales scientifiques de l'ENS; Journal für die reine und angewandte Mathematik (Crelle); Duke Mathematical Journal; Publications Mathématiques de l'IHÉS; Elemente der Mathematik; Rendiconti del Seminario Matematico della Università di Padova; Rendiconti Lincei - Matematica e Applicazioni; Épijournal de Géométrie Algébrique (EPIGA); Journal de l'École polytechnique - Mathématiques; Bulletin de la Société Mathématique de France; Annales Henri Lebesgue; Algebra & Number Theory; Canadian Journal of Mathematics; Canadian Mathematical Bulletin; Journal de Théorie des Nombres de Bordeaux; Bulletin des Sciences Mathématiques; Arkiv för Matematik; Annales mathématiques du Québec.

Ask the editor before submitting in French. Transformation Groups; Michigan Mathematical Journal; Inventiones Mathematicae; Mathematische Annalen; Mathematische Zeitschrift; Research in Number Theory; Rendiconti del Circolo Matematico di Palermo; Geometric and Functional Analysis (GAFA); Research in the Mathematical Sciences; Abhandlungen aus dem Mathematischen Seminar der Universität Hamburg; Journal of Algebra; Journal of Number Theory; Journal of the European Mathematical Society (JEMS); Commentarii Mathematici Helvetici; Algebraic Geometry; Publications of RIMS (Kyoto); Groups, Geometry, and Dynamics; Journal of Noncommutative Geometry; Revista Matemática Iberoamericana; Compositio Mathematica; Journal of Algebraic Geometry.

Current English-only group. Proceedings of the London Mathematical Society; Lecture Notes in Mathematics; Journal de Mathématiques Pures et Appliquées; Advances in Mathematics; Annales de l'Institut Henri Poincaré C; EMS Surveys in Mathematical Sciences; Portugaliae Mathematica; Quantum Topology; International Mathematics Research Notices (IMRN); Open Mathematics; Cambridge Journal of Mathematics.

Especially relevant to algebraic geometry, number theory, and algebraic groups

Algebraic geometry / arithmetic geometry: Annales scientifiques de l'ENS; Duke Mathematical Journal; Crelle; Journal de l'École polytechnique - Mathématiques; EPIGA; Annales Henri Lebesgue; Compositio Mathematica (confirm); Mathematische Annalen (confirm); Algebra & Number Theory.

Algebraic groups: EPIGA; Crelle; Duke Mathematical Journal; Annales scientifiques de l'ENS; Journal de l'École polytechnique - Mathématiques; Algebra & Number Theory; Compositio Mathematica (confirm); Transformation Groups (confirm).

Number theory / arithmetic: Duke Mathematical Journal; Crelle; Journal de l'École polytechnique - Mathématiques; Algebra & Number Theory; Journal de Théorie des Nombres de Bordeaux; Bulletin de la Société Mathématique de France; Canadian Journal of Mathematics; Compositio Mathematica (confirm); Mathematische Annalen (confirm).

Important changes since the March 2022 list

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- **Rendiconti Lincei - Matematica e Applicazioni:** the 2022 note had no language information; current instructions explicitly allow Italian, English, or French.
- **Publications Mathématiques de l'IHÉS:** French remains accepted; the journal is now distributed through Centre Mersenne.
- **L'Enseignement Mathématique:** French remains possible, but current wording makes it exceptional rather than co-equal with English.
- **Springer journals:** this update avoids interpreting generic English-editing guidance as proof of a strict English-only policy; where the rule is not explicit, the journal is marked CONFIRM.

Selected current sources

- **Annals of Mathematics:** <https://annals.math.princeton.edu/submission-guidelines>
- **Acta Mathematica:** <https://www.mittag-leffler.se/publications/acta-mathematica/submission-of-manuscripts/>
- **Annales scientifiques de l'ENS:** <https://Annales-ens.centre-mersenne.org/>

- **Duke Mathematical Journal:** <https://www.dukeupress.edu/Duke-Mathematical-Journal>
- **Crelle:** <https://www.degruyter.com/journal/key/crll/html>
- **Publications Mathématiques de l'IHÉS:** <https://pmihes.centre-mersenne.org/>
- **EPIGA:** <https://epiga.episciences.org/>
- **Journal de l'École polytechnique - Mathématiques:** <https://jep.centre-mersenne.org/>
- **Bulletin de la Société Mathématique de France:** <https://smf.emath.fr/publications/bulletin-de-la-societe-mathematique-de-france>
- **Annales Henri Lebesgue:** <https://Annales.lebesgue.fr/>
- **Algebra & Number Theory:** <https://msp.org/ant/about/journal/submissions.html>
- **Canadian Journal of Mathematics:** <https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/canadian-journal-of-mathematics/information/author-instructions>
- **Canadian Mathematical Bulletin:** <https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/canadian-mathematical-bulletin/information/information-for-authors>
- **IMRN:** https://academic.oup.com/imrn/pages/ms_prep_submission
- **London Mathematical Society journals:** <https://www.lms.ac.uk/publications>
- **Rendiconti Lincei:** <https://ems.press/journals/rlm/submit>
- **Rendiconti di Padova:** <https://ems.press/journals/rsmup/submit>
- **Elemente der Mathematik:** <https://ems.press/journals/em/submit>
- **L'Enseignement Mathématique:** <https://ems.press/journals/lem/submit>
- **Arkiv för Matematik:** <https://www.mittag-leffler.se/publications/arkiv-for-matemik/submission-of-manuscripts/>

Recommended practice. For any journal marked CONFIRM or EXCEPTION, send a short email to the managing editor before submission: 'Do you currently accept research articles written in French?' This is preferable to relying on older French articles in the archive or on generic publisher language-editing pages.