APA Style: Sixth vs. Seventh Edition referencing style comparisons

Know some Writing and Grammar / Mechanics of Style

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APA 6th Edition (2010)	APA 7th edition(2019)
Two spaces after punctuation marks in drafts (Section 4.01, p. 88)	Single space after all punctuation (Section 6. 1, p. 154)
Pronouns: "He or she," or plural "they" (Section 3.20, p. 79)	Singular "they" is acceptable (Section 4.18, p. 120)
Editorial "we": No specific guideline	Editorial "we" is not permitted (Section 4.17, p. 120)
Spelling: • e-book • web page • Internet	Spelling: • ebook • webpage • internet • Wi-Fi (Section 6.11, p. 161-162)
Capitalize nouns followed by numerals or letters, except common parts of books, sections, tables, page (p. or pp.) and paragraph (para. or paras.) (Section 4.17, p. 103)	Capitalize all nouns followed by numerals or letters, except page (p. or pp.) and paragraph (para. or paras.). Section is now capitalized (Section) (Section 6.19, p. 168)
Use numerals to express units of time except when time is an approximation (Section 4.31, pp. 111-112)	Use numerals to express all units of time, including approximations (Section 6.32, p. 178)
No guideline	Abbreviate hour, minute, second, millisecond, etc., when followed by a numeric value (Section 6.28, p. 176)
Use double quotation marks to introduce invented terms or text used ironically, to set off titles in text, and to denote quotes (Section 4.07, pp.91-92)	Use of double quotation marks has been expanded to include copyright attribution (Section 6.7, p. 158)
No guideline	Within figure images, use a sans serif font (e.g., Calibri, Arial) with a type size between 8 and 1 points (Section 2.19, p. 44)
No guideline	For computer code, use a monospace Font (e.g., Courier New, Lucida Console) (Section 2.19, p. 44)
No guideline	Footnotes in a page Footer use the wordprocessing program default (Section 2.19, p. 44)
Citing Material	
Use "Author et al." when citing work by six or more authors (Table 6.1, p. 177)	Use "Author et al." when citing work by three or more authors (Table 8.1, p. 266)
References by the same author and publication date are arranged alphabetically by title unless they are part of a series. Use lowercase letters after the year (Section 6.21, p. 182)	References by the same author with the same publication date include a lowercase letter after the year and are organized by year-letter (Section 8.19, p. 267)

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Reference Entries	

In works with more than seven authors, include the first six plus the last one (p. 198, Example 2)	Include up to 20 authors. For 21 authors and more, list the first 19 plus the last one (Section 9.8, p. 286)
For multiple group authors, list all agencies from largest to smallest as the author (Section 7.03, p. 205, Example 31)	For multiple group authors, use the most specific agency as the author (Section 9.11, p. 288)
Titles of books, journals, magazines, newspapers, and stand-alone publications are set in italics (Section 4.21, p. 104)	Italicization has been expanded to include titles of webpages (Section 6.22, pp. 170-171)
Do not italicize titles of blog posts, online Forum messages, status updates, etc. (APA Style Guide To Electronic References, p. 32)	Italicize titles of social media content, online Forum posts, and webpages (Sections. 10.15-10.16, pp. 348-352)
No guideline	New reference categories: webpage on a news website and webpage on a website (Section 10.16, pp. 350-352)
Include a publication's issue number only when the publication is paginated by issue (Section 6.30, p. 186)	Always include a publication's issue number (Section 9.25, p. 294)
For sources from journals, use the DOI if it has been assigned one. If not, use "Retrieved from" and the exact URL for online sources, or the URL for the journal home page for sources accessed through a database (Section 6.32, pp. 189-192, and Section 7.01, p. 198)	For sources from journals, magazines, newspapers, and blogs, finish the reference entry with a DOI or URL as applicable. "Retrieved from" is no longer in use. For database sources, the page range is the last item of the entry (Section 9.25, p. 294)
No guideline	DOIs and URLs are presented as live links (Section 9.35, p. 299)
FormatDOIsinreference entries as doi:xxx, http://dx.doi.org/xxx, or https://doi.org/xxx	The only accepted format for DOIs in reference entries is https://doi.org/xxx (Section 9.35, p. 299)
No guideline	Long DOIs and URLs can be shortened (Section 9.36, p. 300)
No guideline	Include article numbers as "Article xxxx" (Section 9.27, p. 294)
For books and reports give the publisher's location (Section 6.30, pp. 186-187)	Publisher's location is no longer in use (Section 9.29, p. 295)