i. Blind analyses have to follow a different procedure, as the analysis method has to be approved by the collaboration before the final results are obtained. It is assumed that the analysis will be done in two or three stages. In the first the analysis is prototyped on a training sample of data, in the second a test data set is analyzed in the same way, then there may or may not be a data “box” that remains obscured until the completion of the full analysis. If the blind analysis adopted does not fit this pattern the MAP committee should be informed so that an approval procedure can be predefined.

ii. After the completion of the training analysis a detailed technical note will be submitted to the MAP committee. Further analysis will only be done after approval of the method from the collaboration, as defined for the approval of physics papers.

iii. After examination of the test data set a draft paper will be submitted to the MAP committee. If this is the final result of the analysis approval of the paper will be carried out as defined for physics papers. If there is still a box to be opened approval to open the box will be given as defined for physics papers.

iv. If a box has been opened, the paper must be resubmitted to the MAP committee for final approval after the results have been determined.