

Doctoral Regulations and Implementation Decree 2018 - Most important amendments

This document contains a concise overview of the main changes in the 2018 Doctoral Regulations and Implementation Decree (DR and ID). This document does not contain an overview of all changes. Please refer to the afore-mentioned documents for a full description and context of the Regulations. No rights can be derived from this document.

Abbreviations:

BfD = Board for Doctorates FGS = Faculty Graduate School

Document & Article	Type of modification	Description of modification
DR 1	Content-related	Ius promovendi has been added to the definitions.
DR 8.1	Procedural and content-related	The BfD appoints at least two supervisors for each doctoral candidate: one promotor and another promotor or copromotor.
DR 8.2	Content-related	TUD staff members with a doctorate who have been awarded the ius promovendi can now be appointed as promotor (as well as TUD full professors). The TUD employment contract of (one of) the promotor has such a scope that he is sufficiently available.
DR 13.5	Procedural	The announcement of the provisional doctoral defence date.
DR 14	Procedural	The promotor ensures that the doctoral committee members communicate their judgement to the Graduate School Office in good time.
DR 16	Procedural	A closed doctoral defence ceremony may be held in exceptional circumstances; at the instigation of the candidate or the BfD
DR 20	Procedural	For the mediation of a dispute, the BfD may appoint the director of the FGS concerned or another person (depending on the situation).
DR various	Procedural and content-related	Safeguarding independence and objectivity regarding advice and committees (concerning e.g. Go/No go decisions, appointment of (co)promotors and doctoral committee.)
ID A	Procedural	Exemption admission requirements is now termed: admission in exceptional cases. New: requests must be submitted to the Director of the FGS in good time, thus enabling the BfD to come to a decision before the start of the Doctoral Programme.
ID B	Procedural and content-related	Joint Doctorate. Mainly: deadline for the signing of the agreement and its submission to the Faculty Graduate School, composition of the doctoral committee and drawing up the diploma supplement.

ID D 1	Procedural	The plagiarism scan must be performed with the software made available for this by the TUD Library (see GS website).
ID D 2.a	Content-related	The title page may be written in English or Dutch. (Please refer to the new manual on the GS website .)
ID E	Content-related	Requirements for the propositions: indicate whether the proposition pertains to the subject of the dissertation.
ID F 2	Procedural	The clothing protocol is now gender neutral.
ID F 3.4	Procedural	Mode of address during the ceremony: the candidate will address the promotor who is not a full professor as: 'zeer geachte promotor'.
ID F 4.5	Content-related	The English laudatio.
ID F 5	Content-related	The diploma is issued in the English language (and no longer in Dutch)
ID H	Procedural	The procedure for the continuation of promotorship for full professors after their honourable discharge. The Dean and the Board for Doctorates must both agree.
ID Appendixes		
ID III	Procedural	Form A: The (Co)promotors explicitly state that they are not close family members of the doctoral candidate, nor is their relationship to the candidate such that they cannot be expected to make an independent judgement. The head of the department also signs the form.
ID III	Procedural	Form C: The names of all the (co)promotors are mentioned at the top of the form (which is signed by one of them, on behalf of the entire supervisory team.)
ID III	Procedural	Form D: Statement regarding the submission of the approved dissertation to the TUD Repository.
ID IV	Procedural and content-related	Updated timeline