**Agreement – Postponed publication of the degree thesis for a limited period**

Postponed/bared publicationDegree theses at NMBU shall, as a general rule, be public. A possible postponement period for publication must be as short as possible. If an agreement has been entered into for deferred publication at the start of the work on the thesis, the parties should make a new assessment before the thesis is submitted. Common reasons for postponed publication of the thesis are that the thesis is intended to be used in the work with later publications or in an advanced degree, or in collaboration with a company that works in a competitive market.

Degree theses with postponed publication cannot be accessed, nor can they be made available in electronic publishing archives (such as Brage) or otherwise made available, published, or utilized during the period of the postponement.

Duration of the Agreement
An application can be made for postponement of the publication of a degree thesis for a period of up to five years. Any postponement beyond five years is approved by rector after submitting a well justified application. An application for continued postponement can only be processed towards the end of the five-year period.

Termination of the agreement before the agreed time
When the student has written the assignment alone: ​​The student can decide that the assignment must be published before the conclusion of the postponement period set in this agreement.

When the student has written the thesis in collaboration with a company / external party: Both parties must approve the publication of the thesis if this is to take place before the conclusion of the postponement period set in this agreement.

Completing the form The agreement is completed by the student and supervisor jointly, signed and delivered together with the contract for degree thesis to the faculty for approval. If there are any changes to the original agreement of postponed publication, the agreement must be amended. An approved agreement must be included with the degree thesis when submitted in WISEflow.

The faculty archives approved contracts in the student (s)'s student portfolio (s) in P360.

**In accordance with** [**Academic regulations at NMBU**](https://www.nmbu.no/en/students/administration/rules-and-regulations) **the following is agreed upon:**

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| **Student(s):** |
| Student(s)’ name: |   |
| Student number: |   |
| Study program: |   |

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| **Supervisor:** |
| Main supervisor: |   |
| Co-supervisor/external supervisor: |   |

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| **Degree thesis:** |
| **NB:** NMBU uses the title of the degree thesis on transcripts and diplomas, it is recommended that the title of the thesis does not contain any confidential information. |
| Thesis title: |   |
| The thesis will be submitted at faculty:  |   |

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| **Postponed publication (bar) of degree thesis:** |
| Please state why the thesis should have a postponed publication date. |
| The publication of the thesis must be postponed due to: |   |
| Please state the end date for the publication postponement period. |
| The publication of the thesis must be postponed for (maximum 5 year): | [ ] 1 year[ ]  2 years[ ]  3 years[ ]  4 years[ ]  5 years |

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| **Signatures:** \***Must be completed** |
|  | Dato: | Signature: |
| Student(s)\* |   |  |
| Main supervisor\* |   |  |
| Co-supervisor/external supervisor |   |  |
| Dean or the person the dean has authorized\* |   |  |
| Institution/company  |   |  |