

Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Divisional Board**Approved by Chair's action****Research Degrees in Physical Sciences**

Brief note about nature of change: The department of Chemistry has now merged its four DPhil & MSc (Res) programmes to a single DPhil, and the department requires a thesis page limit adding to the regulations.

Effective date

For students starting from MT24.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2022/23*

[2022-23, Research Degrees in Physical Sciences \(ox.ac.uk\)](#)

Detail of change

Under 4 (b) under Citation 1.14 and above 1.15

Please add:

Theses submitted by candidates in *Chemistry* should not normally be longer than 250-300 pages for the D.Phil., excluding appendices, and 150-200 pages, excluding appendices for the MSc(Res). If a candidate believes that their thesis must necessarily exceed these limits, excluding appendices, they must write to the Director of Graduate Studies for permission to submit a longer thesis. The candidate should explain why they believe that an exception should be made for their thesis, and the request should be supported by the supervisor.

Explanatory Notes: addition required to provide a thesis page limit for the department of Chemistry.