RIDDERPRINT

Softcover. If you want to do the cover layout yourself, here are some guidelines for you.

SUBMITTING FILE

Points of attention

- Correct dimensions. See page 2 of this document for technical specifications.

- Correct spine thickness (C). This depends on the type of paper you have chosen, the number of pages and the binding method. (Check your portal for this info). You can calculate the spine thickness **HERE** on our website or look into your Ridderprint portal.

- Keep the title, text on the spine, other text or logos between the green lines as much as possible. Crossing the line a little is not a problem though (B).

- Sufficient image quality (300 DPI optimal).

- Always supply a PDF file.

Cover inside

- To give your book even more appearance, we can also print the inside of your cover. This can be done, for example, in a solid color, pattern or image, This must be placed as a second page in the PDF file. The spine + 4 mm on both sides, must remain white (E). See page 3 of this instruction.
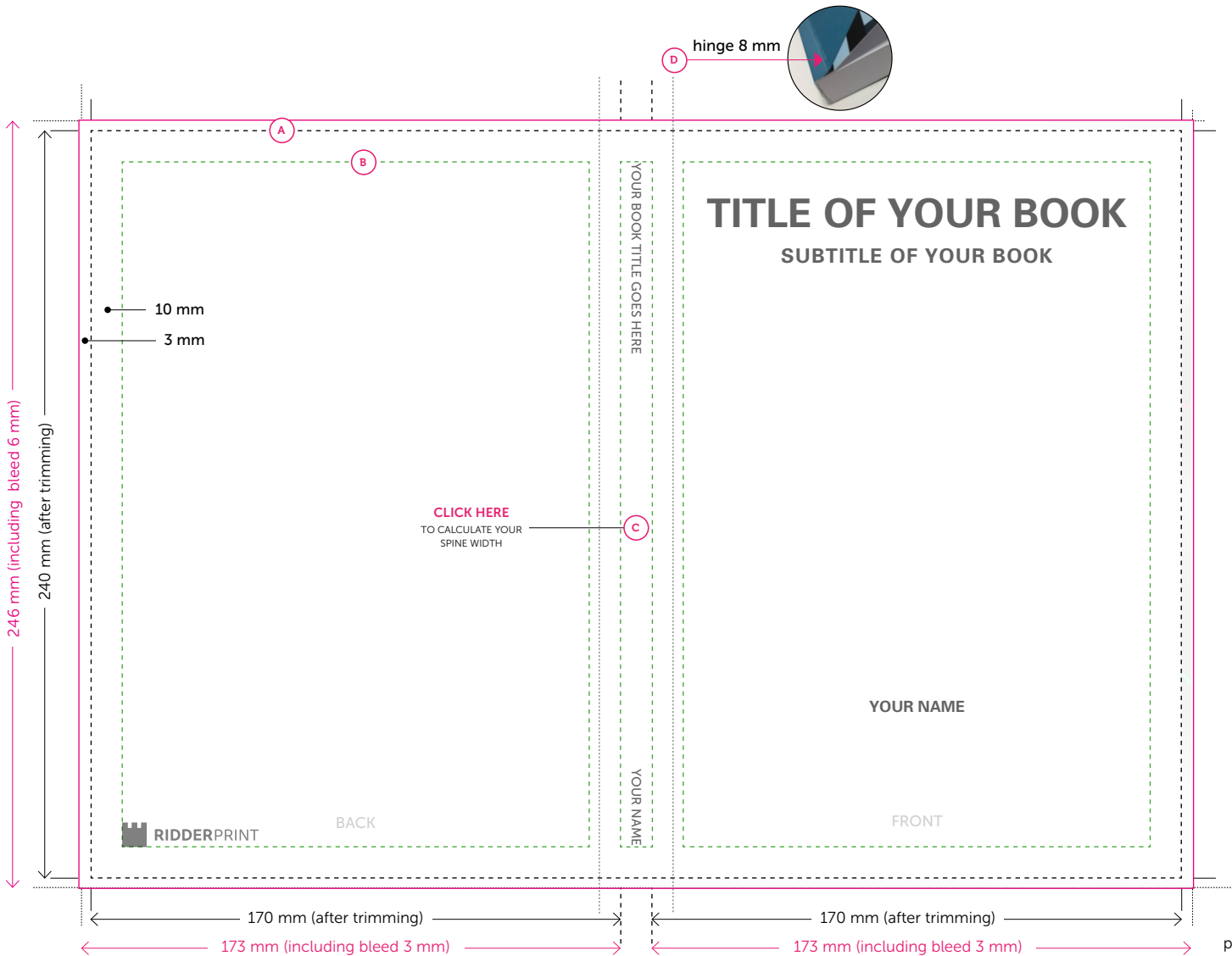
Bleed

- Bleed is a printing term that describes a document, which has images or elements that touch the edge of the page (see example page 3). If this is the case, you have to add 'bleed' to your file. To make a bleed on a document, enlarge your document with 3 mm on all sides and extend any color or images to the document edges by 3 mm. This will create a bleed.

  NB! This 3 mm bleed is trimmed off again after printing. Keep this in mind! Do not place any text or other layout elements too close to the page (trimming) edge (A), if they are not allowed to be removed after trimming. Keep everything as much a possible between the green lines (B).

Photoshop

- If you want to make the cover in Adobe Photoshop, use a minimum resolution of 300 DPI. Make sure to keep all 'layers' and save the file as a PDF file. This allows the text to retain its vector properties (and thus better quality). Also make sure that your document is 3 mm larger around than the final size and figure the bleed into the size of the document. See the section 'bleed' above.

hinge 8 mm

D

A

B

10 mm

3 mm

246 mm (including bleed 6 mm)

240 mm (after trimming)

YOUR BOOK TITLE GOES HERE

TITLE OF YOUR BOOK

SUBTITLE OF YOUR BOOK

CLICK HERE
TO CALCULATE YOUR
SPINE WIDTH

C

YOUR NAME

YOUR NAME

RIDDERPRINT

BACK

FRONT

170 mm (after trimming)

170 mm (after trimming)

173 mm (including bleed 3 mm)

173 mm (including bleed 3 mm)

4 mm

4 mm

246 mm (including bleed 6 mm)

240 mm (after trimming)

E

FRONT INSIDE

BACK INSIDE

170 mm (after trimming)

170 mm (after trimming)

173 mm (including bleed 3 mm)

173 mm (including bleed 3 mm)