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**PARTIAL REVISION OF THE TEST GUIDELINES FOR JAPANESE PLUM***Document prepared by an expert from the European Union**Disclaimer: this document does not represent UPOV policies or guidance*

1. The purpose of this document is to present a proposal for a partial revision of the Test Guidelines for Japanese Plum (document TG/84/4 Corr. 2).
2. The Technical Working Party for Fruit Crops (TWF), at its forty-eighth session, held in Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada, from September 18 to 22, 2017, considered a proposal for a partial revision of the Test Guidelines for Japanese Plum (*Prunus salicina* Lindl.) on the basis of documents TG/84/4 Corr. 2 and TWF/48/12 "Partial Revision of the Test Guidelines for Japanese Plum" and proposed the following revisions to the Test Guidelines for Japanese Plum (see document TWF/48/13 "Report", paragraph 120):
  - (a) State 1 of characteristic 42 "Fruit: over color of skin" to read "none" instead of "yellow" and change of example variety of state 6 "dark blue"
  - (b) Addition of Characteristic 42 "Fruit: over color of skin" to existing explanation for Characteristics 40 "Fruit: ground color of skin" and 41 "Fruit: relative area of over color" in Chapter 8.2 "Explanations for individual characteristics"
3. The proposed changes are presented below in highlight and underline (insertion) and ~~striethrough~~ (deletion).

Proposal for state 1 to read “none” instead of “yellow” and change of example variety of state 6 “dark blue”*Current wording*

42. (*) (+)	VG	Fruit: over color of skin	Fruit : lavis	Frucht: Deckfarbe der Schale	Fruto: color superficial de la epidermis		
PQ	(c)	yellow	jaune	gelb	amarillo	Golden Japan	1
		orange yellow	jaune orangé	orange gelb	amarillo anaranjado	Formosa	2
		medium red	rouge moyen	mittelrot	rojo medio	Red Beauty	3
		dark red	rouge foncé	dunkelrot	rojo oscuro	Starking Delicious, Taiyou	4
		purple	pourpre	purpurn	púrpura	Karari, Morettini 355	5
		dark blue	bleu foncé	dunkelblau	azul oscuro	Black Amber	6
		black	noir	schwarz	negro	Angeleno	7

*Proposed new wording*

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Proposal to add Characteristic 42 to existing explanation for Characteristics 40 "Fruit: ground color of skin" and 41 "Fruit: relative area of over color" in Chapter 8.2 "Explanations for individual characteristics"

*Current wording*

Ad. 40: Fruit: ground color of skin

Ad. 41: Fruit: relative area of over color

To be observed without the bloom. The ground color is the first color to appear chronologically during the development of the skin and upon which other colors will develop in time in the form of spots, a macule, or a color flush or blush. It is not always necessarily the largest area of the fruit. The over color is the second color developing over time over the ground color. The coloration does not necessarily cover the smallest area of the fruit and consists of a pattern such as a flush or flecking.

*Proposed new wording*

Ad. 40: Fruit: ground color of skin

Ad. 41: Fruit: relative area of over color

Ad. 42: Fruit: over color of skin

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