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| 1. | Subject of these Test Guidelines | | |
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|  | |  | | --- | | These Test Guidelines apply to all varieties of *Zoysia* Willd. | | | |
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| 2. | Material Required |
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| 2.1 | |  | | --- | | The competent authorities decide on the quantity and quality of the plant material required for testing the variety and when and where it is to be delivered. Applicants submitting material from a State other than that in which the testing takes place must ensure that all customs formalities and phytosanitary requirements are complied with. | |
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| 2.2 | |  | | --- | | The material is to be supplied in the form of plants. | |
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| 2.3 | |  | | --- | | The minimum quantity of plant material, to be supplied by the applicant, should be: | |
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|  | |  | | --- | | 25 plants. | |
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| 2.4 | |  | | --- | | The plant material supplied should be visibly healthy, not lacking in vigor, nor affected by any important pest or disease. | |
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| 2.5 | |  | | --- | | The plant material should not have undergone any treatment which would affect the expression of the characteristics of the variety, unless the competent authorities allow or request such treatment. If it has been treated, full details of the treatment must be given. | |
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| 3. | Method of Examination | |
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| *3.1* | *Number of Growing Cycles* | |
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| |  | | --- | | 3.1.1 | | The minimum duration of tests should normally be two independent growing cycles. | |
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| |  | | --- | | 3.1.2 | | The two independent growing cycles should be in the form of two separate plantings. | |
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| |  | | --- | | 3.1.3 | | The testing of a variety may be concluded when the competent authority can determine with certainty the outcome of the test. | |
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| *3.2* | *Testing Place* | |
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|  | Tests are normally conducted at one place. In the case of tests conducted at more than one place, guidance is provided in TGP/9 “Examining Distinctness”. | |
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| *3.3* | *Conditions for Conducting the Examination* | |
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| |  | | --- | | 3.3.1 | | The tests should be carried out under conditions ensuring satisfactory growth for the expression of the relevant characteristics of the variety and for the conduct of the examination. | |
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| 3.3.2 | The optimum stage of development for the assessment of each characteristic is indicated by a number in the Table of Characteristics. The stages of development denoted by each number are described in Chapter 8. | |
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| *3.4* | *Test Design* | |
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| 3.4.1 | |  | | --- | | Each test should be designed to result in a total of at least 15 plants, which should be divided between at least 2 replicates. | | |
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| |  | | --- | | 3.4.2 | | |  | | --- | | The design of the tests should be such that plants or parts of plants may be removed for measurement or counting without prejudice to the observations which must be made up to the end of the growing cycle. | | |
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| |  | | --- | |  |   *3.5* | *Additional Tests* | |
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|  | Additional tests, for examining relevant characteristics, may be established. | |

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| 4. | Assessment of Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability |
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| *4.1* | *Distinctness* |
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| 4.1.1 | General Recommendations |
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|  | It is of particular importance for users of these Test Guidelines to consult the General Introduction prior to making decisions regarding distinctness. However, the following points are provided for elaboration or emphasis in these Test Guidelines. |
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| 4.1.2 | Consistent Differences |
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|  | The differences observed between varieties may be so clear that more than one growing cycle is not necessary. In addition, in some circumstances, the influence of the environment is not such that more than a single growing cycle is required to provide assurance that the differences observed between varieties are sufficiently consistent. One means of ensuring that a difference in a characteristic, observed in a growing trial, is sufficiently consistent is to examine the characteristic in at least two independent growing cycles. |
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| 4.1.3 | Clear Differences |
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|  | Determining whether a difference between two varieties is clear depends on many factors, and should consider, in particular, the type of expression of the characteristic being examined, i.e. whether it is expressed in a qualitative, quantitative, or pseudo-qualitative manner. Therefore, it is important that users of these Test Guidelines are familiar with the recommendations contained in the General Introduction prior to making decisions regarding distinctness. |
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| 4.1.4 | |  | | --- | | Number of Plants or Parts of Plants to be Examined | |
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|  | |  | | --- | | Unless otherwise indicated, for the purposes of distinctness, all observations on single plants should be made on 10 plants or parts of plants taken from each of 10 plants and any other observations made on all plants in the test, disregarding any off-type plants. | |
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| 4.1.5 | Method of Observation |
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|  | The recommended method of observing the characteristic for the purposes of distinctness is indicated by the following key in the Table of Characteristics (see document TGP/9 “Examining Distinctness”, Section 4 “Observation of characteristics”): |
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|  | |  | | --- | | MG: single measurement of a group of plants or parts of plants  MS: measurement of a number of individual plants or parts of plants  VG: visual assessment by a single observation of a group of plants or parts of plants  VS: visual assessment by observation of individual plants or parts of plants | |
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|  | Type of observation: visual (V) or measurement (M) |
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|  | “Visual” observation (V) is an observation made on the basis of the expert’s judgment. For the purposes of this document, “visual” observation refers to the sensory observations of the experts and, therefore, also includes smell, taste and touch. Visual observation includes observations where the expert uses reference points (e.g. diagrams, example varieties, side-by-side comparison) or non-linear charts (e.g. color charts). Measurement (M) is an objective observation against a calibrated, linear scale e.g. using a ruler, weighing scales, colorimeter, dates, counts, etc. |
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|  | |  | | --- | | Type of record: for a group of plants (G) or for single, individual plants (S) | |
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|  | |  | | --- | | For the purposes of distinctness, observations may be recorded as a single record for a group of plants or parts of plants (G), or may be recorded as records for a number of single, individual plants or parts of plants (S). In most cases, “G” provides a single record per variety and it is not possible or necessary to apply statistical methods in a plant-by-plant analysis for the assessment of distinctness. | |
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|  | In cases where more than one method of observing the characteristic is indicated in the Table of Characteristics (e.g. VG/MG), guidance on selecting an appropriate method is provided in document TGP/9, Section 4.2. |
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| *4.2* | *Uniformity* |
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| 4.2.1 | It is of particular importance for users of these Test Guidelines to consult the General Introduction prior to making decisions regarding uniformity. However, the following points are provided for elaboration or emphasis in these Test Guidelines: |
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| |  | | --- | | 4.2.2 | | |  | | --- | | These Test Guidelines have been developed for the examination of vegetatively propagated varieties. For varieties with other types of propagation, the recommendations in the General Introduction and document TGP/13 "Guidance for new types and species" Section 4.5 "Testing Uniformity" should be followed. | |
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| 4.2.3 | |  | | --- | | For the assessment of uniformity of vegetatively propagated varieties, a population standard of 1% and an acceptance probability of at least 95% should be applied. In the case of a sample size of 15 plants, 1 off-type is allowed. | |
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| *4.3* | *Stability* |
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| 4.3.1 | In practice, it is not usual to perform tests of stability that produce results as certain as those of the testing of distinctness and uniformity. However, experience has demonstrated that, for many types of variety, when a variety has been shown to be uniform, it can also be considered to be stable. |
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| 4.3.2 | Where appropriate, or in cases of doubt, stability may be further examined by testing a new plant stock to ensure that it exhibits the same characteristics as those shown by the initial material supplied. |

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| 5. | Grouping of Varieties and Organization of the Growing Trial |
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| 5.1 | The selection of varieties of common knowledge to be grown in the trial with the candidate varieties and the way in which these varieties are divided into groups to facilitate the assessment of distinctness are aided by the use of grouping characteristics. |
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| 5.2 | Grouping characteristics are those in which the documented states of expression, even where produced at different locations, can be used, either individually or in combination with other such characteristics: (a) to select varieties of common knowledge that can be excluded from the growing trial used for examination of distinctness; and (b) to organize the growing trial so that similar varieties are grouped together. |
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| 5.3 | The following have been agreed as useful grouping characteristics: |
|  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | |  | | --- | | (a) | |  | |  | | --- | | Plant: number of ears (characteristic 3) | | | |  | | --- | | (b) | |  | |  | | --- | | Culm: length (characteristic 4) | | | |  | | --- | | (c) | |  | |  | | --- | | Ear: anthocyanin coloration of spikelets (characteristic 9) | | | |  | | --- | | (d) | |  | |  | | --- | | Stolon: anthocyanin coloration (characteristic 18) | | | |  | | --- | | (e) | |  | |  | | --- | | Leaf blade: length (characteristic 19) | | | |  | | --- | | (f) | |  | |  | | --- | | Leaf blade: width (characteristic 20) | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | | |
| 5.4 | Guidance for the use of grouping characteristics, in the process of examining distinctness, is provided through the General Introduction and document TGP/9 “Examining Distinctness”. |

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| 6. | Introduction to the Table of Characteristics |
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| *6.1* | *Categories of Characteristics* |
| 6.1.1 | Standard Test Guidelines Characteristics |
|  | Standard Test Guidelines characteristics are those which are approved by UPOV for examination of DUS and from which members of the Union can select those suitable for their particular circumstances. |
| 6.1.2 | Asterisked Characteristics |
|  | Asterisked characteristics (denoted by \*) are those included in the Test Guidelines which are important for the international harmonization of variety descriptions and should always be examined for DUS and included in the variety description by all members of the Union, except when the state of expression of a preceding characteristic or regional environmental conditions render this inappropriate. |
| *6.2* | *States of Expression and Corresponding Notes* |
| 6.2.1 | States of expression are given for each characteristic to define the characteristic and to harmonize descriptions. Each state of expression is allocated a corresponding numerical note for ease of recording of data and for the production and exchange of the description. |
| 6.2.2 | All relevant states of expression are presented in the characteristic. |
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| 6.2.3 | Further explanation of the presentation of states of expression and notes is provided in document TGP/7 “Development of Test Guidelines”. |
| *6.3* | *Types of Expression* |
|  | An explanation of the types of expression of characteristics (qualitative, quantitative and pseudo-qualitative) is provided in the General Introduction. |
| *6.4* | *Example Varieties* |
|  | Where appropriate, example varieties are provided to clarify the states of expression of each characteristic. |

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| *6.5* | *Legend* |
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| |  |  | English | | français | | deutsch | español | Example Varieties  Exemples  Beispielssorten  Variedades ejemplo | Note/Nota | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **1** | | |  | | --- | | **2** | | |  | | --- | | **3** | | |  | | --- | | **4** | | |  | | --- | | **5** | | |  | | --- | | **6** | | |  | | --- | | **7** | | | | | |  |  | |  | | --- | | **Name of characteristics in English** | | | |  | | --- | | **Nom du caractère en français** | | | |  | | --- | | **Name des Merkmals auf Deutsch** | | |  | | --- | | **Nombre del carácter en español** | |  |  | |  |  | |  | | --- | | states of expression | | | |  | | --- | | types d’expression | | | |  | | --- | | Ausprägungsstufen | | |  | | --- | | tipos de expresión | | |  | | --- | |  | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | |
| |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 1 | Characteristic number | | | |  |  |  |  | | 2 | (\*) | Asterisked characteristic | – see Chapter 6.1.2 | |  |  |  |  | | 3 | Type of expression | | | |  | QL | Qualitative characteristic | – see Chapter 6.3 | |  | QN | Quantitative characteristic | – see Chapter 6.3 | |  | PQ | Pseudo-qualitative characteristic | – see Chapter 6.3 | |  |  |  |  | | 4 | Method of observation (and type of plot, if applicable) | | | |  | MG, MS, VG, VS | | – see Chapter 4.1.5 | |  |  |  |  | | 5 | |  | | --- | | (+) | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8.2 | | | | |  |  |  |  | | 6 | |  | | --- | | (a)-(d) | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8.1 | | | | |  |  |  |  | | 7 | |  | | --- | | Growth stage key See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8.3 | | | | | |

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| 7. | Table of Characteristics/Tableau des caractères/Merkmalstabelle/Tabla de caracteres |

|  |  | English | | français | | deutsch | español | Example Varieties  Exemples  Beispielssorten  Variedades ejemplo | Note/Nota |
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| **1.** |  | **QN** | **MG** | **(+)** |  | **10** | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Time of beginning of vegetative growth after overwintering** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very early | |  | |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  | early | |  | |  |  | Ryokko | 2 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Emerald | 3 |
|  |  | late | |  | |  |  | Shiba Chukanbohon Nou 1 Go | 4 |
|  |  | very late | |  | |  |  |  | 5 |
| **2.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MG** |  | **(b)** | **20** | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Time of beginning of ear emergence** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very early | |  | |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  | very early to early | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | early | |  | |  |  |  | 3 |
|  |  | early to medium | |  | |  |  | TM9 | 4 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Meyer | 5 |
|  |  | medium to late | |  | |  |  |  | 6 |
|  |  | late | |  | |  |  |  | 7 |
|  |  | late to very late | |  | |  |  |  | 8 |
|  |  | very late | |  | |  |  |  | 9 |
| **3.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **VG** |  | **(b)** | **29** | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Plant: number of ears** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | none or very few | |  | |  |  | Emerald | 1 |
|  |  | few | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Tsukuba taro | 3 |
|  |  | many | |  | |  |  | Meyer | 4 |
|  |  | very many | |  | |  |  |  | 5 |
| **4.** |  | **QN** | **MS/VG** |  | **(b), (c)** | **29** | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Culm: length** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very short | |  | |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  | very short to short | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | short | |  | |  |  | Chiba fair green | 3 |
|  |  | short to medium | |  | |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Meyer | 5 |
|  |  | medium to long | |  | |  |  |  | 6 |
|  |  | long | |  | |  |  | Asagake | 7 |
|  |  | long to very long | |  | |  |  |  | 8 |
|  |  | very long | |  | |  |  |  | 9 |
| **5.** |  | **QN** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(b), (c)** | **29** | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Ear: position relative to foliage** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | below | |  | |  |  | GZ-006 | 1 |
|  |  | same level | |  | |  |  | G-10 | 2 |
|  |  | above | |  | |  |  | Diamond | 3 |
| **6.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS/VG** |  | **(b)** | **29** | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Ear: length** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very short | |  | |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  | very short to short | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | short | |  | |  |  | Mijoka | 3 |
|  |  | short to medium | |  | |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Meyer | 5 |
|  |  | medium to long | |  | |  |  |  | 6 |
|  |  | long | |  | |  |  | Tsukuba taro | 7 |
|  |  | long to very long | |  | |  |  |  | 8 |
|  |  | very long | |  | |  |  |  | 9 |
| **7.** |  | **QN** | **MS/VG** |  | **(b)** | **29** | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Ear: number of spikelets** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very few | |  | |  |  | Emerald | 1 |
|  |  | few | |  | |  |  | TM9 | 2 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Meyer | 3 |
|  |  | many | |  | |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | very many | |  | |  |  |  | 5 |
| **8.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS/VG** |  | **(b)** | **29** | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Ear: length of spikelets** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | short | |  | |  |  | Mijoka | 1 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Meyer | 2 |
|  |  | long | |  | |  |  |  | 3 |
| **9.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(b)** | **29** | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Ear: anthocyanin coloration of spikelets** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | absent or very weak | |  | |  |  | Ryokko | 1 |
|  |  | very weak to weak | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | weak | |  | |  |  | Tsukuba taro | 3 |
|  |  | weak to medium | |  | |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Enrumu | 5 |
|  |  | medium to strong | |  | |  |  |  | 6 |
|  |  | strong | |  | |  |  | Meyer | 7 |
|  |  | strong to very strong | |  | |  |  |  | 8 |
|  |  | very strong | |  | |  |  |  | 9 |
| **10** |  | **QN** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(d)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Plant: attitude of leaves** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | erect | |  | |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  | semi-erect | |  | |  |  | Tsukuba taro | 2 |
|  |  | intermediate | |  | |  |  | Emerald | 3 |
|  |  | semi-prostrate | |  | |  |  | TM9 | 4 |
|  |  | prostrate | |  | |  |  |  | 5 |
| **11** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS/VG** | **(+)** | **(d)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Plant: height** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very short | |  | |  |  | TM9 | 1 |
|  |  | short | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Meyer | 3 |
|  |  | tall | |  | |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | very tall | |  | |  |  | Asagake | 5 |
| **12** |  | **QN** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(d)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Plant: density of stolons** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | sparse | |  | |  |  | Ijani | 1 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | dense | |  | |  |  | TM neo | 3 |
| **13** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS/VG** | **(+)** | **(d)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Stolon: length** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very short | |  | |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  | very short to short | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | short | |  | |  |  | Mijoka | 3 |
|  |  | short to medium | |  | |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Emerald | 5 |
|  |  | medium to long | |  | |  |  |  | 6 |
|  |  | long | |  | |  |  | Asagake | 7 |
|  |  | long to very long | |  | |  |  |  | 8 |
|  |  | very long | |  | |  |  |  | 9 |
| **14** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS/VG** | **(+)** | **(d)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Stolon: internode length** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very short | |  | |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  | very short to short | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | short | |  | |  |  | Mijoka | 3 |
|  |  | short to medium | |  | |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Meyer | 5 |
|  |  | medium to long | |  | |  |  |  | 6 |
|  |  | long | |  | |  |  | Asagake | 7 |
|  |  | long to very long | |  | |  |  |  | 8 |
|  |  | very long | |  | |  |  |  | 9 |
| **15** |  | **QN** | **MS/VG** | **(+)** | **(d)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Stolon: internode width** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very narrow | |  | |  |  | Tsukuba hime | 1 |
|  |  | narrow | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | TM9 | 3 |
|  |  | broad | |  | |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | very broad | |  | |  |  | Ryokko | 5 |
| **16** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(d)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Stolon leaf: anthocyanin coloration of sheath** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | absent or very weak | |  | |  |  | Ryokko | 1 |
|  |  | weak | |  | |  |  | Emerald | 2 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  |  | 3 |
|  |  | strong | |  | |  |  | Enrumu | 4 |
|  |  | very strong | |  | |  |  |  | 5 |
| **17** |  | **QN** | **MS** | **(+)** | **(d)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Stolon leaf: length of sheath** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very short | |  | |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  | short | |  | |  |  | Mijoka | 2 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Meyer | 3 |
|  |  | long | |  | |  |  | Ijani | 4 |
|  |  | very long | |  | |  |  |  | 5 |
| **18** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(d)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Stolon: anthocyanin coloration** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | absent or very weak | |  | |  |  | Ryokko | 1 |
|  |  | weak | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  |  | 3 |
|  |  | strong | |  | |  |  | Enrumu | 4 |
|  |  | very strong | |  | |  |  |  | 5 |
| **19** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS/VG** | **(+)** | **(d)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Leaf blade: length** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very short | |  | |  |  | TM neo | 1 |
|  |  | very short to short | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | short | |  | |  |  | Emerald | 3 |
|  |  | short to medium | |  | |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Tsukuba green | 5 |
|  |  | medium to long | |  | |  |  |  | 6 |
|  |  | long | |  | |  |  | Asagake | 7 |
|  |  | long to very long | |  | |  |  |  | 8 |
|  |  | very long | |  | |  |  | Tsukuba taro | 9 |
| **20** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS/VG** |  | **(d)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Leaf blade: width** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very narrow | |  | |  |  | Mijoka | 1 |
|  |  | narrow | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Meyer | 3 |
|  |  | broad | |  | |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | very broad | |  | |  |  | Asagake | 5 |
| **21** |  | **QN** | **VG** |  | **(d)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Leaf blade: intensity of green color** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very light | |  | |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  | very light to light | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | light | |  | |  |  | Ayamidori | 3 |
|  |  | light to medium | |  | |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Emerald | 5 |
|  |  | medium to dark | |  | |  |  |  | 6 |
|  |  | dark | |  | |  |  | Chiba fair green | 7 |
|  |  | dark to very dark | |  | |  |  |  | 8 |
|  |  | very dark | |  | |  |  |  | 9 |
| **22** |  | **QN** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(d)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Leaf blade: density of hairs on upper side** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | absent or very sparse | |  | |  |  | Emerald | 1 |
|  |  | sparse | |  | |  |  | Meyer | 2 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  |  | 3 |
|  |  | dense | |  | |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | very dense | |  | |  |  |  | 5 |
| **23** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MG** | **(+)** |  | **40** | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Time of leaf senescence** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | very early | |  | |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  | very early to early | |  | |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | early | |  | |  |  | TM9 | 3 |
|  |  | early to medium | |  | |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium | |  | |  |  | Emerald | 5 |
|  |  | medium to late | |  | |  |  |  | 6 |
|  |  | late | |  | |  |  | Mijoka | 7 |
|  |  | late to very late | |  | |  |  |  | 8 |
|  |  | very late | |  | |  |  |  | 9 |
| **24** |  | **PQ** | **VG** | **(+)** |  | **45** | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Leaf: color before dormancy** | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |
|  |  | yellow | |  | |  |  | Ryokko | 1 |
|  |  | brown | |  | |  |  | TM9 | 2 |
|  |  | purple | |  | |  |  | Tsukuba taro | 3 |

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| |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 8. | Explanations on the Table of Characteristics | | | |  | | | | | *8.1* | *Explanations covering several characteristics* | | | |  | | | | |  | |  | | --- | |  | | | | |  |  |  |  | |  | Characteristics containing the following key in the Table of Characteristics should be examined as indicated below: | | | |  | | | | | |  | | --- | | (a) | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | |  |  |  |  | | |  | | --- | | (b) | | |  | | --- | | Observations should be made at the time of first ear emergence after overwintering. Many varieties emerge ears in spring, but varieties that produce ears only in the autumn should be observed in the autumn.  The following characteristics are observed except the varieties without ear.    Ad. 2: Time of ear emergence  Ad. 4: Culm: length  Ad. 5: Ear: position relative to foliage  ​Ad. 6: Ear: length  Ad. 7: Ear: number of spikelets  Ad. 8: Ear: length of spikelets  Ad. 9: Ear: anthocyanin coloration of spikelets | | | | |  |  |  |  | | |  | | --- | | (c) | | |  | | --- | | Observations should be made on culms from the middle third of the plant. | | | | |  |  |  |  | | |  | | --- | | (d) | | |  | | --- | | The plants, stolons, and leaves should be observed 4 months after time of beginning of vegetative growth after overwintering. | | | | |  |  |  |  | |

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| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | *8.2* | | *Explanations for individual characteristics* | |  | | | |  | | --- | | Ad. 1: Time of beginning of vegetative growth after overwintering  The time of vegetative growth after overwintering is observed when new leaves can be seen on the stems of about 50% of the plants after overwintering. | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Ad. 5: Ear: position relative to foliage   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | 1 | 2 | 3 | | below | same level | above | | | | |
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| |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | 8.3 | | |  | | --- | | Growth stages for Zoysia  10: Beginning of vegetative growth  20: Beginning of ear emergence  29: Ear emergence completed  40: Beginning of leaf color change  45: Leaf color change completed | | |

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| |  | | --- | | **5.1** |  |  | | --- | | **(2)** | | |  | | --- | | **Time of beginning of ear emergence** | |  |  |
|  | |  | | --- | | very early | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 1 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | very early to early | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 2 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | early | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 3 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | early to medium | | |  | | --- | | TM9 | | |  | | --- | | 4 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | medium | | |  | | --- | | Meyer | | |  | | --- | | 5 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | medium to late | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 6 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | late | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 7 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | late to very late | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 8 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | very late | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 9 [   ] | |
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| |  | | --- | | **5.2** |  |  | | --- | | **(3)** | | |  | | --- | | **Plant: number of ears** | |  |  |
|  | |  | | --- | | none or very few | | |  | | --- | | Emerald | | |  | | --- | | 1 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | few | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 2 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | medium | | |  | | --- | | Tsukuba taro | | |  | | --- | | 3 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | many | | |  | | --- | | Meyer | | |  | | --- | | 4 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | very many | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 5 [   ] | |
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| |  | | --- | | **5.3** |  |  | | --- | | **(4)** | | |  | | --- | | **Culm: length** | |  |  |
|  | |  | | --- | | very short | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 1 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | very short to short | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 2 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | short | | |  | | --- | | Chiba fair green | | |  | | --- | | 3 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | short to medium | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 4 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | medium | | |  | | --- | | Meyer | | |  | | --- | | 5 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | medium to long | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 6 [   ] | |
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| |  | | --- | | **5.4** |  |  | | --- | | **(9)** | | |  | | --- | | **Ear: anthocyanin coloration of spikelets** | |  |  |
|  | |  | | --- | | absent or very weak | | |  | | --- | | Ryokko | | |  | | --- | | 1 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | very weak to weak | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 2 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | weak | | |  | | --- | | Tsukuba taro | | |  | | --- | | 3 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | weak to medium | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 4 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | medium | | |  | | --- | | Enrumu | | |  | | --- | | 5 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | medium to strong | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 6 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | strong | | |  | | --- | | Meyer | | |  | | --- | | 7 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | strong to very strong | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 8 [   ] | |
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| |  | | --- | | **5.5** |  |  | | --- | | **(18)** | | |  | | --- | | **Stolon: anthocyanin coloration** | |  |  |
|  | |  | | --- | | absent or very weak | | |  | | --- | | Ryokko | | |  | | --- | | 1 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | weak | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 2 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | medium | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 3 [   ] | |
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| |  | | --- | | **5.6** |  |  | | --- | | **(19)** | | |  | | --- | | **Leaf blade: length** | |  |  |
|  | |  | | --- | | very short | | |  | | --- | | TM neo | | |  | | --- | | 1 [   ] | |
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|  | |  | | --- | | short | | |  | | --- | | Emerald | | |  | | --- | | 3 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | short to medium | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 4 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | medium | | |  | | --- | | Tsukuba green | | |  | | --- | | 5 [   ] | |
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| |  | | --- | | **5.7** |  |  | | --- | | **(20)** | | |  | | --- | | **Leaf blade: width** | |  |  |
|  | |  | | --- | | very narrow | | |  | | --- | | Mijoka | | |  | | --- | | 1 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | narrow | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 2 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | medium | | |  | | --- | | Meyer | | |  | | --- | | 3 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | broad | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 4 [   ] | |
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| |  | | --- | | **5.8** |  |  | | --- | | **(23)** | | |  | | --- | | **Time of leaf senescence** | |  |  |
|  | |  | | --- | | very early | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 1 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | very early to early | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 2 [   ] | |
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|  | |  | | --- | | early to medium | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 4 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | medium | | |  | | --- | | Emerald | | |  | | --- | | 5 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | medium to late | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 6 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | late | | |  | | --- | | Mijoka | | |  | | --- | | 7 [   ] | |
|  | |  | | --- | | late to very late | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | 8 [   ] | |
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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 6. | Similar varieties and differences from these varieties | | |  | | --- | | *Please use the following table and box for comments to provide information on how your candidate variety differs from the variety (or varieties) which, to the best of your knowledge, is (or are) most similar. This information may help the examination authority to conduct its examination of distinctness in a more efficient way.* | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Denomination(s) of variety(ies) similar to your candidate variety | | |  | | --- | | Characteristic(s) in which your candidate variety differs from the similar variety(ies) | | |  | | --- | | Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for the **similar** variety(ies) | | |  | | --- | | Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for **your** candidate variety | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | *Example* | |  | | --- | | *Stolon: anthocyanin coloration* | | |  | | --- | | *medium* | | |  | | --- | | *strong* | | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | | | |  | Comments: | | |
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| |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | #7. | | Additional information which may help in the examination of the variety | | | | |  |  |  | | | | 7.1 | In addition to the information provided in sections 5 and 6, are there any additional characteristics which may help to distinguish the variety? | | | | |  | Yes | [ ] | No | [ ] | |  | (If yes, please provide details) | | | | | 7.2 | Are there any special conditions for growing the variety or conducting the examination? | | | | |  | Yes | [ ] | No | [ ] | |  | (If yes, please provide details) | | | | | 7.3 | Other information | | | | |  |  |  |  |  | | |

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| |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 8. | Authorization for release | | | | | |  | (a) | Does the variety require prior authorization for release under legislation concerning the protection of the environment, human and animal health? | | | | |  |  | Yes | [ ] | No | [ ] | |  | (b) | Has such authorization been obtained? | | | | |  |  | Yes | [ ] | No | [ ] | |  | If the answer to (b) is yes, please attach a copy of the authorization. | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | 9. Information on plant material to be examined or submitted for examination | | |  | | 9.1 The expression of a characteristic or several characteristics of a variety may be affected by factors, such as pests and disease, chemical treatment (e.g. growth retardants or pesticides), effects of tissue culture, different rootstocks, scions taken from different growth phases of a tree, etc. | |  | | |  | | --- | | 9.2 The plant material should not have undergone any treatment which would affect the expression of the characteristics of the variety, unless the competent authorities allow or request such treatment. If the plant material has undergone such treatment, full details of the treatment must be given. In this respect, please indicate below, to the best of your knowledge, if the plant material to be examined has been subjected to: | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | (a) | Microorganisms (e.g. virus, bacteria, phytoplasma) | Yes [ ] | No [ ] |  | |  | (b) | Chemical treatment (e.g. growth retardant, pesticide) | Yes [ ] | No [ ] |  | |  | (c) | Tissue culture | Yes [ ] | No [ ] |  | |  | (d) | Other factors | Yes [ ] | No [ ] |  | |  | Please provide details for where you have indicated “yes”. | | | |  | |  |  | | | |  | | |  | |
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