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PYRUS_LEC; PYRUS_PYR; PYRUS_PYR_CUL;
PYRUS_USS

Pyrus communis L.;
Pyrus pyrifolia (Burm. f.) Nakai;
Pyrus pyrifolia (Burm. f.) Nakai var. *culta* (Mak.) Nakai;
Pyrus ussuriensis Maxim.;
Pyrus xbretschneideri Rehder; *Pyrus xlecontei* Rehder

GUIDELINES

FOR THE CONDUCT OF TESTS

FOR DISTINCTNESS, UNIFORMITY AND STABILITY

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Alternative Names:*

<i>Botanical name</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>French</i>	<i>German</i>	<i>Spanish</i>
<i>Pyrus communis</i> L., <i>Pyrus communis</i> L. var <i>sativa</i> DC.	European Pear, Pear	Poirier	Birne	Peral
<i>Pyrus pyrifolia</i> (Burm. f.) Nakai	Asian pear, Chinese pear, Chinese sand pear, Japanese pear, Nashi, Nashi pear, Oriental pear, Sand pear	poirier japonais	China-Birne, Nashi- Birne, Sandbirnbaum	pera

* These names were correct at the time of the introduction of these Test Guidelines but may be revised or updated. [Readers are advised to consult the UPOV Code, which can be found on the UPOV Website (www.upov.int), for the latest information.]

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Pyrus pyrifolia (Burm. f.) Nakai var. culta (Mak.) Nakai, Chinese Pear, Japanese Pear, Nashi, Sand Pear	poirier japonais	Chinesische Birne, Nashi, Sandbirne	peral japonés	
Pyrus ussuriensis Maxim	Harbin pear, Ussurian pear		Ussuri-Birne	
Pyrus xbretschneideri Rehder, Pyrus pyrifolia x Pyrus bretschneideri	Chinese white pear, Chinese white pear, white pear		weiße Birne	
Pyrus xlecontei Rehder				

The purpose of these guidelines (“Test Guidelines”) is to elaborate the principles contained in the General Introduction (document TG/1/3), and its associated TGP documents, into detailed practical guidance for the harmonized examination of distinctness, uniformity and stability (DUS) and, in particular, to identify appropriate characteristics for the examination of DUS and production of harmonized variety descriptions.

ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

These Test Guidelines should be read in conjunction with the General Introduction and its associated TGP documents.

Other associated UPOV documents: Pear TG/15/3
 Japanese Pear TG/149/2
 Pyrus Rootstocks TG/169/1

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1. Subject of these Test Guidelines

These Test Guidelines apply to all varieties of *Pyrus xbretschneideri* Rehder, *Pyrus communis* L., *Pyrus xlecontei* Rehder, *Pyrus pyrifolia* (Burm. f.) Nakai, *Pyrus pyrifolia* (Burm. f.) Nakai var. *culta* (Mak.) Nakai, *Pyrus ussuriensis* Maxim..

and hybrids between these species

2. Material Required

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.

2.2 The material is to be supplied in the form of grafted or budded trees on a suitable rootstock prescribed by the competent authority.

2.3 The minimum quantity of plant material, to be supplied by the applicant, should be:

five trees.

2.4 The plant material supplied should be visibly healthy, not lacking in vigor, nor affected by any important pest or disease.

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.

3. Method of Examination

3.1 *Number of Growing Cycles*

3.1.1 The minimum duration of tests should normally be two independent growing cycles.

3.1.2 In particular, it is essential that the Trees produce a satisfactory crop of fruit in each of the two growing cycles.

3.1.3 The two independent growing cycles may be observed from a single planting, examined in two separate growing cycles.

3.1.4 The growing cycle is considered to be the duration of a single growing season, beginning with bud burst (flowering and/or vegetative), flowering and fruit harvest and concluding when the following dormant period ends with the swelling of new season buds.

3.1.5 The first growing cycle should begin after the trees have produced the first crop of fruit.

3.2 *Testing Place*

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".

3.3 *Conditions for Conducting the Examination*

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.

3.3.2 Because daylight varies, color determinations made against a color chart should be made either in a suitable cabinet providing artificial daylight or in the middle of the day in a room without direct sunlight. The spectral distribution of the illuminant for artificial daylight should conform with the CIE Standard of Preferred Daylight D 6500 and should fall within the tolerances set out in the British Standard 950, Part I. These

determinations should be made with the plant part placed against a white background. The color chart and version used should be specified in the variety description.

3.4 *Test Design*

3.4.1 Each test should be designed to result in a total of at least 5 trees.

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.

3.5 *Additional Tests*

Additional tests, for examining relevant characteristics, may be established.

4. Assessment of Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability

4.1 *Distinctness*

4.1.1 General Recommendations

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.

4.1.2 Consistent Differences

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.

4.1.3 Clear Differences

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.

4.1.4 Number of Plants / Parts of Plants to be Examined

Unless otherwise indicated, for the purposes of distinctness, all observations on single plants should be made on 5 plants or parts taken from each of 5 plants and any other observations made on all plants in the test, disregarding any off-type plants. In the case of observations of parts taken from single plants, the number of parts to be taken from each of the plants should be 2.

4.1.5 Method of Observation

The recommended method of observing the characteristic for the purposes of distinctness is indicated by the following key in the second column of the Table of Characteristics (see document TGP/9 "Examining Distinctness", Section 4 "Observation of characteristics"):

- 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

Type of observation: visual (V) or measurement (M)

“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.

Type of record: for a group of plants (G) or for single, individual plants (S)

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.

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.

4.2 *Uniformity*

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:

4.2.2 For the assessment of uniformity, a population standard of 1% and an acceptance probability of at least 95 % should be applied. In the case of a sample size of 5 plants, 0 off-types are allowed.

4.3 *Stability*

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.

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.

5. Grouping of Varieties and Organization of the Growing Trial

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.

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.

5.3 The following have been agreed as useful grouping characteristics:

- (a) Tree: growth habit (characteristic 3)
- (b) Fruit: size (characteristic 45)
- (c) Fruit: position of maximum diameter (characteristic 50)
- (d) Fruit: profile of sides (characteristic 52)
- (e) Fruit: relative area of over color (characteristic 54)
- (f) Fruit: hue of over color (characteristic 55)
- (g) Fruit: presence of eye in calyx basin (characteristic 69)

(h) Time of harvest maturity (characteristic 83)

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”.

6. Introduction to the Table of Characteristics

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 In the case of qualitative and pseudo-qualitative characteristics (see Chapter 6.3), all relevant states of expression are presented in the characteristic. However, in the case of quantitative characteristics with 5 or more states, an abbreviated scale may be used to minimize the size of the Table of Characteristics. For example, in the case of a quantitative characteristic with 9 states, the presentation of states of expression in the Test Guidelines may be abbreviated as follows:

State	Note
small	3
medium	5
large	7

However, it should be noted that all of the following 9 states of expression exist to describe varieties and should be used as appropriate:

State	Note
very small	1
very small to small	2
small	3
small to medium	4
medium	5
medium to large	6
large	7
large to very large	8
very large	9

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.

6.5 *Legend*

(*) Asterisked characteristic – see Chapter 6.1.2

QL Qualitative characteristic – see Chapter 6.3

QN Quantitative characteristic – see Chapter 6.3

PQ Pseudo-qualitative characteristic – see Chapter 6.3

MG, MS, VG, VS – see Chapter 4.1.5

(a)-(a) See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8.

(+) See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8.

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 VG (+)					
Tree: vigor	Arbre : vigueur	Baum: Wuchsstärke	Árbol: vigor		
weak	faible	gering	débil		3
medium	moyenne	mittel	mediano		5
strong	forte	stark	fuerte		7
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2. (*) QN VG (a)					
Tree: branching					
absent or very weak					1
weak					3
medium					5
strong					7
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3. (*) PQ VG (+) (a)					
Tree: growth habit					
fastigate					1
upright					2
semi upright					3
spreading					4
drooping					5
weeping					6
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4. QN MS VG (a)					
One-year-old shoot: length of internode	Rameau d'un an: longueur des entre- nœuds	Einjähriger Trieb: Internodienlänge	Rama de un año: longitud de los entrenudos		
very short	très courts	sehr kurz	muy cortos		1
short	courts	kurz	cortos		3
medium	moyens	mittel	medios		5
long	longs	lang	largos		7
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English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
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5. (*) QN VG (a)					
One-year-old shoot: thickness	Rameau d'un an : épaisseur	Einjähriger Trieb: Dicke	Rama de un año: grosor		
thin	fin	dünn	delgada		1
medium	moyen	mittel	mediana		2
thick	épais	dick	gruesa		3
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6. (*) PQ VG (a)					
One year old shoot: color on sunnyside					
grey brown					1
grey green					2
greenish brown					3
medium brown					4
dark brown					5
orange brown					6
brown red					7
brown purple					8
dark purple					9
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7. (*) QN VG (a)					
One-year-old shoot: number of lenticels	Rameau d'un an: nombre de lenticelles	Einjähriger Trieb: Anzahl der Lentizellen	Rama de un año: número de lenticelas		
few					1
medium					3
many					5
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English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
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8. (*) QN VG (a)					
One year old shoot: size of lenticels					
small					1
medium					2
large					3
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9. (*) PQ VG					
One year old shoot: shape of vegetative bud apex					
acute					1
obtuse					2
rounded					3
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10. QL VG					
One year old shoot: presence of axillary flower buds					
absent					1
present					9
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11. QN VG					
One year old shoot: number of axillary flower buds					
few					1
medium					2
many					3
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12. QN VG					
Vegetative bud: position in relation to shoot					
adpressed					1
slightly held out					2
strongly held out					3
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English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
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13. (*) QN VG
**Mature shoot:
 number of spurs**
 few
 medium
 many

3
 5
 7

14. (*) PQ VG
**Young leaf: color
 of upper side**
 yellow green
 greenish brown
 brown
 red brown

1
 2
 3
 4

15. (*) QN VG
**Young shoot:
 anthocyanin
 coloration of
 growing tip**
 absent or weak
 medium
 strong

1
 2
 3

16. QN VG (+)

**Leaf blade:
 attitude in
 relation to shoot**

**Limbe: port par
 rapport au rameau**

**Blattspreite:
 Haltung im
 Verhältnis zum
 Trieb**

**Limbo: porte en
 relación con la
 rama**

upwards
 outwards
 downwards

dressé
 perpendiculaire
 retombant

aufwärts gerichtet
 abstehend
 abwärts gerichtet

ascendente
 horizontal
 descendente

1
 2
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English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
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17. (*) QN MS VG					
Leaf blade: length	Limbe: longueur	Blattspreite: Länge	Limbo: longitud		
short	court	kurz	corta		3
medium	moyen	mittel	media		5
long	long	lang	larga		7
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18. (*) QN MS VG					
Leaf blade: width	Limbe: largeur	Blattspreite: Breite	Limbo: anchura		
narrow	étroit	schmal	estrecha		3
medium	moyen	mittel	media		5
broad	large	breit	ancha		7
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19. (*) QN MG VG					
Leaf blade: ratio length/width	Limbe: rapport longueur/largeur	Blattspreite: Ver-hältnis Länge/Breite	Limbo: relación entre la longitud y la anchura		
small	faible	klein	pequeña		3
medium	moyen	mittel	media		5
large	élevé	groß	grande		7
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20. (*) PQ VG (+)					
Leaf blade: shape	Limbe: forme	Blattspreite: Form	Limbo: forma		
ovate					1
elliptic					2
rounded					3
obovate					4
cordate					5

English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
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21. (*) PQ VG (+)					
Leaf blade: shape of apex	Limbe: forme du sommet	Blattspreite: Form der Spitze	Limbo: forma del ápice		
acuminate	acuminé	zugespitzt	acuminada		1
acute	pointu	spitz	aguda		2
obtuse					3
rounded					4
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22. (*) PQ VG (+)					
Leaf blade: shape of base	Limbe : forme de la base	Blattspreite: Form der Basis	Limbo: forma de la base		
acute					1
obtuse					2
truncate					3
cordate					4
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23. QN VG					
Leaf blade: length of tip	Limbe: longueur de la pointe	Blattspreite: Länge der aufgesetzten Spitze	Limbo: longitud de la punta		
absent or short					1
medium	moyenne	mittel	media		3
long	longue	lang	larga		5
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24. PQ VG (+)					
Leaf blade: incisions of margin (upper half)	Limbe: incisions du bord (moitié supérieure)	Blattspreite: Rand-einschnitte (obere Hälfte)	Limbo: incisiones del borde (mitad superior)		
entire					1
crenate					2
blunt serrate					3
sharp serrate					4
dentate					5
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English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
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25. QN VG Leaf blade: depth of incisions of margin absent or very shallow shallow medium deep	Limbe : profondeur des incisions du bord	Blattspreite: Tiefe der Randeinschnitte	Limbo: profundidad de las incisiones del borde		1 2 3 4
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26. QN VG Petiole: length short medium long	Pétirole: longueur court moyen long	Blattstiel: Länge kurz mittel lang	Pecíolo: longitud corta media larga		3 5 7
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27. QL VG Petiole: stipules absent present	Pétirole : stipules absentes présentes	Blattstiel: Nebenblätter fehlend vorhanden	Pecíolo: estípulas ausentes presentes		1 9
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28. QN MG VG (+) Petiole: distance of stipules from basal attachment short medium long					1 2 3
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29. (*) QN MG VG Ratio length of petiole/ length of blade small medium large					3 5 7
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English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielsorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
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30. (*) QL VG					
Shoot: location of flower buds					
mainly on spurs					1
mainly on long shoots					2
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31. (*) QN VG					
Inflorescence: number of flowers	Inflorescence: nombre de fleurs	Blütenstand: Anzahl Blüten	Inflorescencia: número de flores		
few					3
medium					5
many					7
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32. (*) QN VG					
Flower bud: size					
small					3
medium					5
large					7
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33. (*) QN MG VG					
Flower: number of petals	Fleur: nombre de pétales	Blüte: Anzahl Blütenblätter	Flor: número de pétalos		
five or less					1
five and six					2
six and seven					3
more than seven					4
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34. (*) QN VG					
Flower: arrangement of petals	Fleur: disposition des pétales	Blüte: Anordnung der Blütenblätter	Flor: disposición de los pétalos		
free					1
intermediate					2
overlapping					3

English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
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35. (*) QN VG					
Flower: number of stamens	Fleur : nombre d'étamines	Blüte: Anzahl der Staubgefäße	Flor: número de estambres		
few					1
medium					2
many					3
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36. (*) QN VG					
Flower: position of stigma in relation to anthers	Fleur : position du stigmat par rapport aux étamines	Blüte: Stellung der Narbe im Vergleich zu den Antheren	Flor: posición del estigma en relación con las anteras		
below					1
same level					2
above					3
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37. (*) QL VG					
Anthers: pollen	Anthères : pollen	Antheren: Pollen	Anteras: polen		
absent					1
present					9
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38. QL VG					
Anthers: intensity of red coloration					
light					1
medium					2
dark					3
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39. QN MS VG					
Petal: length	Pétale : longueur	Blütenblatt: Länge	Pétalo: longitud		
short					1
medium					2
long					3
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40. QL MS VG					
Petal: width	Pétale : largeur	Blütenblatt: Breite	Pétalo: anchura		
narrow					1
medium					2
broad					3
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41. PQ VG					
Petal: shape	Pétale: forme	Blütenblatt: Form	Pétalo: forma		
narrow ovate					1
broad ovate					2
elliptic					3
circular					4
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42. PQ VG					
Petal: shape of base (excluding claw)					
cuneate					1
rounded					2
truncate					3
cordate					4
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43. PQ VG					
Petal: color of inner side	Pétale : couleur de la face interne	Blütenblatt: Farbe der Innenseite	Pétalo: color de la cara interna		
white					1
light pink					2
medium pink					3
dark pink					4
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English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
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44. PQ VG					
Petal: color of outer side					
white					1
light pink					2
medium pink					3
dark pink					4
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45. (*) QN VG					
Fruit: size	Fruit : taille	Frucht: Größe	Fruto: tamaño		
very small	très petit	sehr klein	muy pequeño		1
small	petit	klein	pequeño		3
medium	moyen	mittel	mediano		5
large	grand	groß	grande		7
very large	très grand	sehr groß	muy grande		9
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46. (*) QN MS VG					
Fruit: height	Fruit: hauteur	Frucht: Höhe	Fruto: altura		
short					3
medium					5
tall					7
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47. (*) QN MS VG					
Fruit: diameter	Fruit: diamètre	Frucht: Durchmesser	Fruto: diámetro		
small					3
medium					5
large					7
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48. (*) QN MG VG Fruit: ratio height/diameter	Fruit: rapport hauteur/diamètre	Frucht: Verhältnis Höhe/Durchmesser	Fruto: relación altura/diámetro		
very small					1
small					3
medium					5
large					7
very large					9
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49. (*) PQ VG (+) Fruit: shape (in lateral view)	Fruit : forme (en vue latérale)	Frucht: Form (in Seitenansicht)	Fruto: forma (en vista lateral)		
ovate					1
oblate					2
elliptic					3
circular					4
obovate					5
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50. (*) QN VG (+) Fruit: position of maximum diameter	Fruit: localisation du diamètre maximal	Frucht: Position des maximalen Durchmessers	Fruto: posición del diámetro máximo		
towards stem end					1
in middle					2
slightly toward calyx end					3
strongly toward calyx end					4
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51. QN VG Fruit: symmetry	Fruit : symétrie	Frucht: Symmetrie	Fruto: simetría		
symmetric or slightly asymmetric	symétrique ou légèrement dissymétrique	symmetrisch oder leicht asymmetrisch	simétrico o ligeramente asimétrico		1
moderately asymmetric	modérément dissymétrique	mäßig asymmetrisch	moderadamente asimétrico		2
strongly asymmetric	fortement dissymétrique	stark asymmetrisch	muy asimétrico		3

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52. (*) QN VG (+) Fruit: profile of sides					
concave					1
straight					2
convex					3
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53. (*) PQ VG Fruit: ground color					
	Fruit: couleur du fond	Frucht: Grundfarbe	Fruto: color de fondo		
not visible					1
green					2
yellow green					3
yellow					4
yellow brown					5
red brown					6
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54. (*) QN VG Fruit: relative area of over color					
	Fruit: proportion de lavis	Frucht: Anteil der Deckfarben	Fruto: zona relativa del color superior		
absent or very small					1
small					3
medium					5
large					7
very large					9
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55. PQ VG Fruit: hue of over color					
	Fruit: teinte du lavis	Frucht: Ton der Deckfarbe	Fruto: tono del color superpuesto		
orange					1
orange red					2
pink red					3
light red					4
dark red					5
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56. QN VG					
Fruit: area of russet around eye basin	Fruit: surface de liège autour de la cuvette de l'œil	Frucht: Fläche der Berostung im Bereich der Kelchgrube	Fruto: zona de russeting de la cavidad del ojo		
absent or small					1
medium					2
large					3
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57. QN VG					
Fruit: area of russet on cheeks	Fruit: surface de liège sur les joues	Frucht: Fläche der Berostung auf den Wangen	Fruto: zona de russeting de las caras		
absent or small					1
medium					2
large					3
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58. QL VG					
Fruit: area of russet around stalk attachment	Fruit: surface de liège autour du pédoncule	Frucht: Fläche der Berostung im Bereich des Stielansatzes	Fruto: zona de russeting en torno a la base peduncular		
absent or small					1
medium					2
large					3
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59. (*) QN VG					
Fruit: density of lenticels on skin					
absent or very sparse					1
sparse					3
medium					5
dense					7
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60. (*) QN MG VG					
Fruit: length of stalk	Fruit : longueur du pédoncule	Frucht: Länge des Stiels	Fruto: longitud del pedúnculo		
short	court	kurz	corto		3
medium	moyen	mittel	medio		5
long	long	lang	largo		7
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61. (*) QL VG					
Fruit: thickness of stalk	Fruit: grosseur du pédoncule	Frucht: Dicke des Stiels	Fruto: grosor del pedúnculo		
thin	fin	dünn	delgado		1
medium	moyen	mittel	medio		3
thick	gros	dick	grueso		5
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62. (*) QN VG					
Fruit: attitude of stalk to axis of fruit					
straight					1
oblique					2
right angled					3
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63. (*) QL VG					
Fruit: swelling of stalk					
absent					1
present					9
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64. QN VG					
Fruit: density of lenticels on stalk					
absent or sparse					1
medium					3
dense					5
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65. (*) QN VG (+)					
Fruit: depth of stalk cavity	Fruit : profondeur de la dépression pédonculaire	Frucht: Tiefe der Stielhöhle	Fruto: profundidad de la cavidad peduncular		
absent or very shallow					1
shallow					3
medium					5
deep					7
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66. QN VG (+)					
Fruit: width of stalk cavity	Fruit : largeur de la dépression pédonculaire	Frucht: Breite der Stielhöhle	Fruto: anchura de la cavidad peduncular		
narrow					3
medium					5
broad					7
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67. (*) QN VG (+)					
Fruit: persistence of calyx					
weak					1
medium					2
strong					3
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68. QN VG (+)					
Fruit: attitude of sepals	Fruit : port des sépales	Frucht: Haltung der Kelchblätter	Fruto: porte de los sépalos		
converging					1
erect					2
spreading					3
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69. (*) QL VG					
Fruit: presence of eye in calyx basin					
absent					1
present					9
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70. (*) QN VG					
(+) Fruit: depth of calyx basin					
shallow					3
medium					5
deep					7
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71. (*) QN VG					
(+) Fruit: width of calyx basin					
narrow					3
medium					5
broad					7
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72. PQ VG					
Fruit: color of flesh	Fruit : couleur de la chair	Frucht: Farbe des Fleisches	Fruto: color de la pulpa		
white					1
yellowish white					2
whitish yellow					3
pinkish					4
red					5
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73. QN MG VG					
Fruit: firmness of flesh	Fruit: fermeté de la chair	Frucht: Festigkeit des Fruchtfleisches	Fruto: firmeza de la pulpa		
very soft	très molle	sehr weich	muy blanda		1
soft	molle	weich	blanda		3
medium	moyenne	mittel	media		5
firm	ferme	fest	firme		7
very firm	très ferme	sehr fest	muy firme		9
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74. QN VG					
Fruit: texture of flesh	Fruit: texture de la chair	Frucht: Textur des Fleisches	Fruto: textura de la pulpa		
fine	fine	fein	fina		1
medium	intermédiaire	mittel	mediana		2
coarse	grossière	grob	grosera		3
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75. QN MG VG					
Fruit: juiciness of flesh	Fruit: jutosité de la chair	Frucht: Saftigkeit des Fleisches	Fruto: jugosidad de la pulpa		
low	faible	gering	baja		3
medium	moyenne	mittel	media		5
high	forte	hoch	alta		7
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76. QN MG					
Fruit: total soluble solids	Fruit: teneur en matières solubles	Frucht: Gesamt-gehalt an löslicher Trockensubstanz	Fruto: contenido total de sólidos solubles		
low	faible	gering	bajo		3
medium	moyenne	mittel	medio		5
high	forte	hoch	alto		7
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77. QN MG					
Fruit: acidity	Fruit: acidité	Frucht: Säure	Fruto: acidez		
low	faible	gering	baja		3
medium	moyenne	mittel	media		5
high	forte	stark	alta		7
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78. QN MG VG (+)					
Fruit: ratio diameter of core/diameter of fruit					
very small					1
small					3
medium					5
large					7
very large					9
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79. QN VG					
Fruit: number of locules					
very few					1
few					3
medium					5
many					7
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80. (*) QL VG					
Fruit: cracking					
absent					1
present					9
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81. (*) QN VG Time of beginning of vegetative bud burst	Époque de début de débourrement	Zeitpunkt des Aufbruchs der vegetativen Knospe	Época de brotación de las yemas vegetativas		
early					3
medium					5
late					7
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82. (*) QN VG Time of beginning of flowering	Époque de début de floraison	Zeitpunkt des Blüh-begins	Época de inicio de la floración		
very early					1
early					3
medium					5
late					7
very late					9
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83. (*) QN MG VG Time of harvest maturity	Époque de maturité de récolte	Zeitpunkt der Erntereife	Época de madurez para la cosecha		
very early					1
early					3
medium					5
late					7
very late					9

8. Explanations on the Table of Characteristics

8.1 *Explanations covering several characteristics*

Characteristics containing the following key in the second column of the Table of Characteristics should be examined as indicated below:

(a) Observations should be made in the dormant season.

8.2 *Explanations for individual characteristics*

Ad. 1: Tree: vigor

Observations should be made during active vegetative growth. The vigor of the tree should be considered as the overall abundance of vegetative growth.

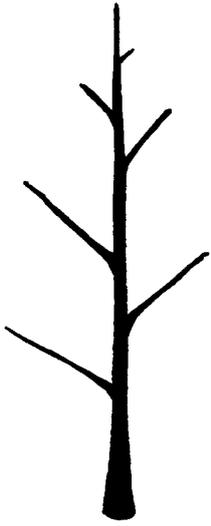
Ad. 3: Tree: growth habit



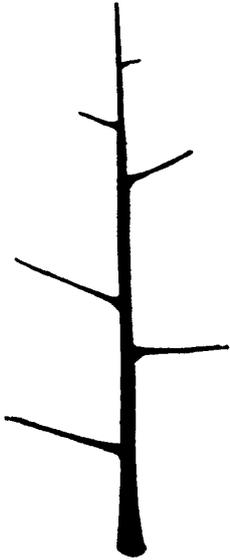
1 - fastigate



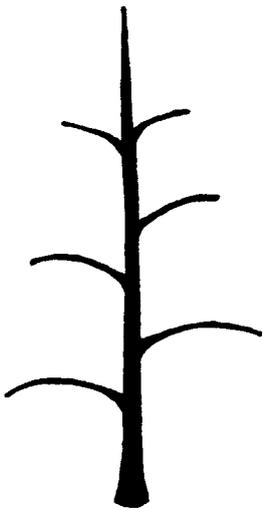
2 - upright



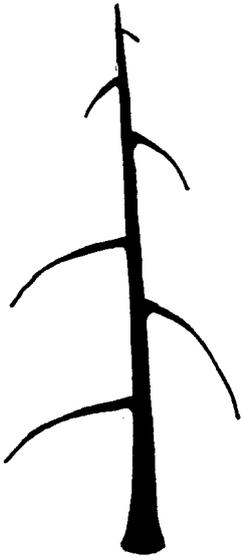
3 - semi upright



4 - spreading

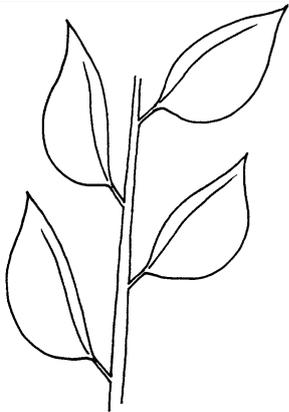


5 - drooping

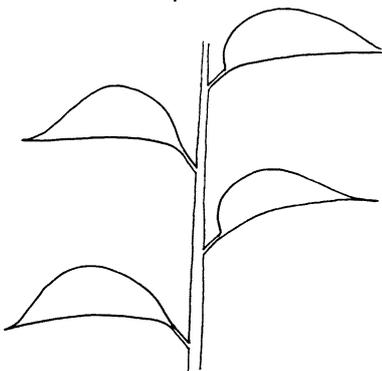


6 - weeping

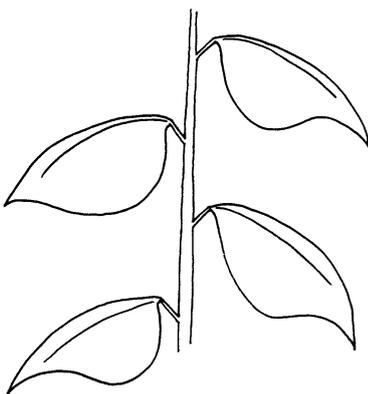
Ad. 16: Leaf blade: attitude in relation to shoot



1 - upwards

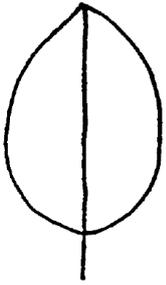


2 - outwards

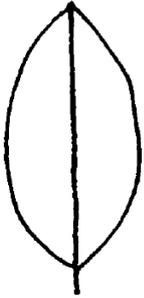


3 - downwards

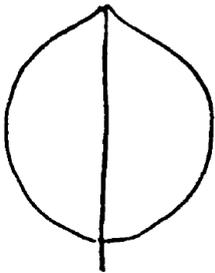
Ad. 20: Leaf blade: shape



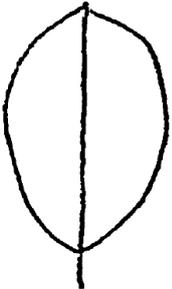
1 - ovate



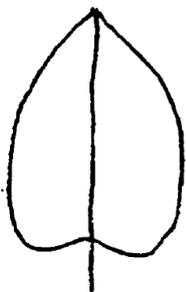
2 - elliptic



3 - rounded

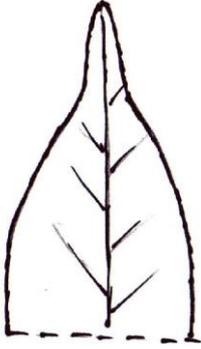


4 - obovate

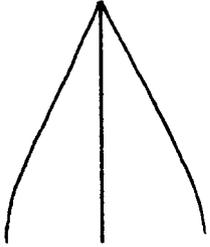


5 - cordate

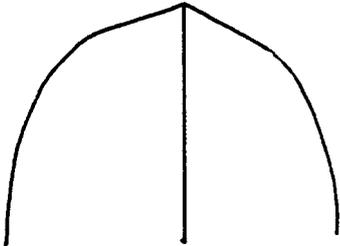
Ad. 21: Leaf blade: shape of apex



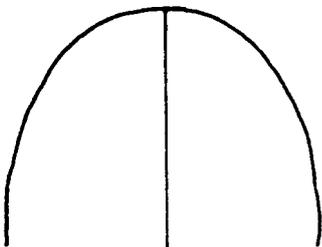
1 - acuminate



2 - acute

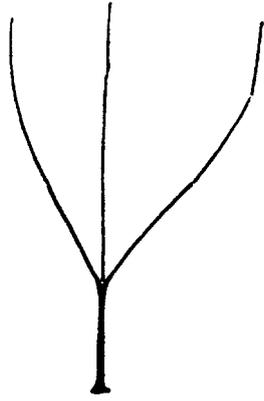


3 - obtuse

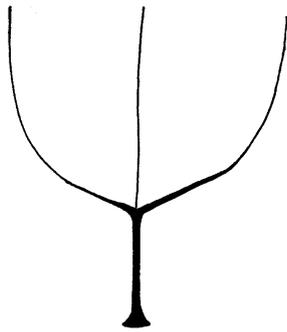


4 - rounded

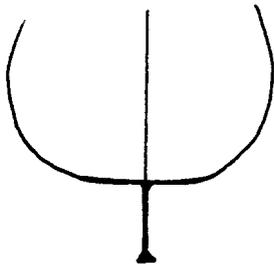
Ad. 22: Leaf blade: shape of base



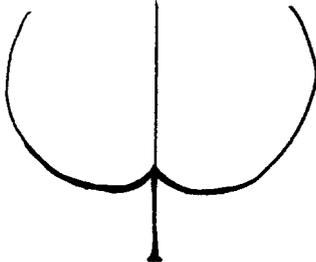
1 - acute



2 - obtuse



3 - truncate



4 - cordate

Ad. 24: Leaf blade: incisions of margin (upper half)



1 - entire



2 - crenate



3 - blunt serrate

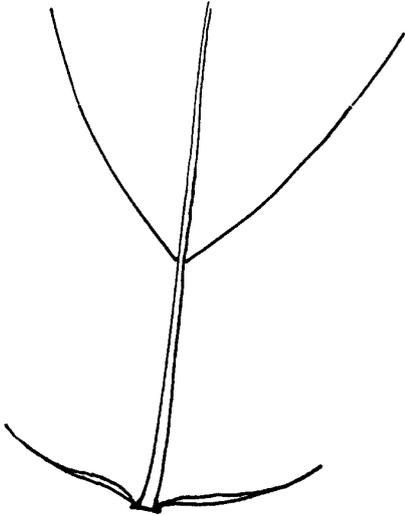


4 - sharp serrate

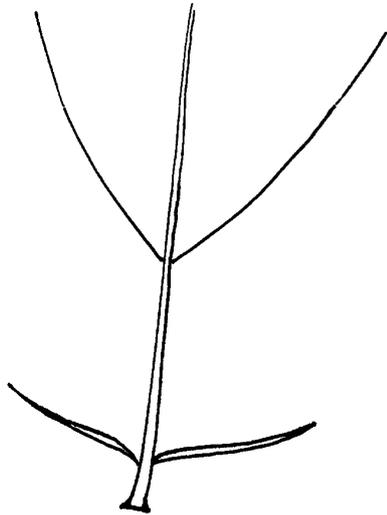


5 - dentate

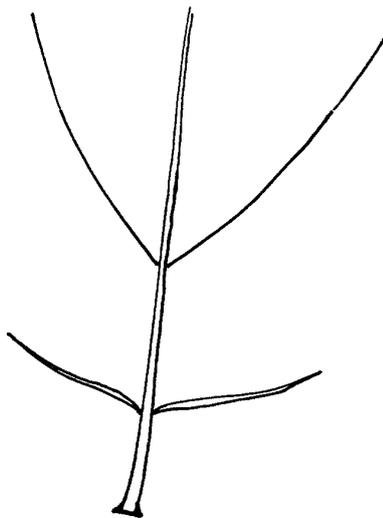
Ad. 28: Petiole: distance of stipules from basal attachment



1 - short

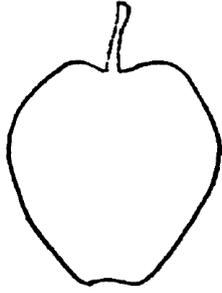


2 - medium

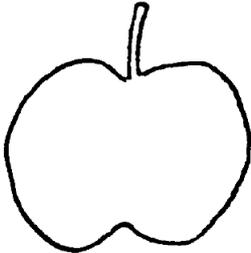


3 - long

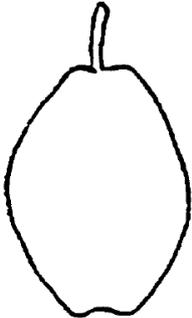
Ad. 49: Fruit: shape (in lateral view)



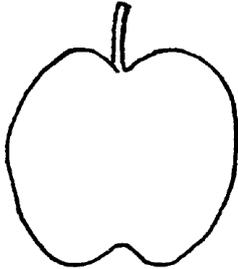
1 - ovate



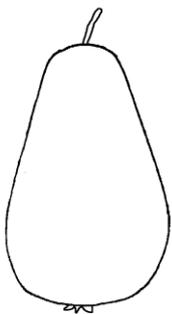
2 - oblate



3 - elliptic

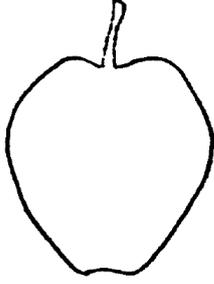


4 - circular

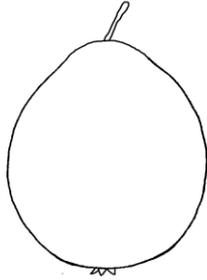


5 - obovate

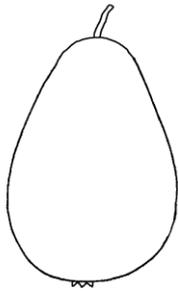
Ad. 50: Fruit: position of maximum diameter



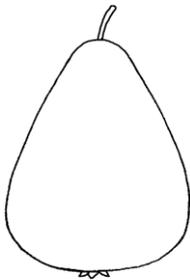
1 - towards stem end



2 - in middle

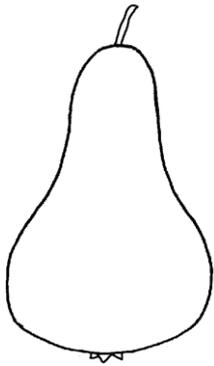


3 - slightly toward calyx end

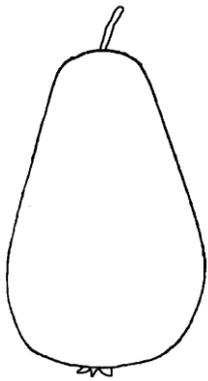


4 - strongly toward calyx end

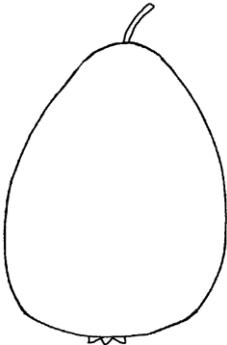
Ad. 52: Fruit: profile of sides



1 - concave

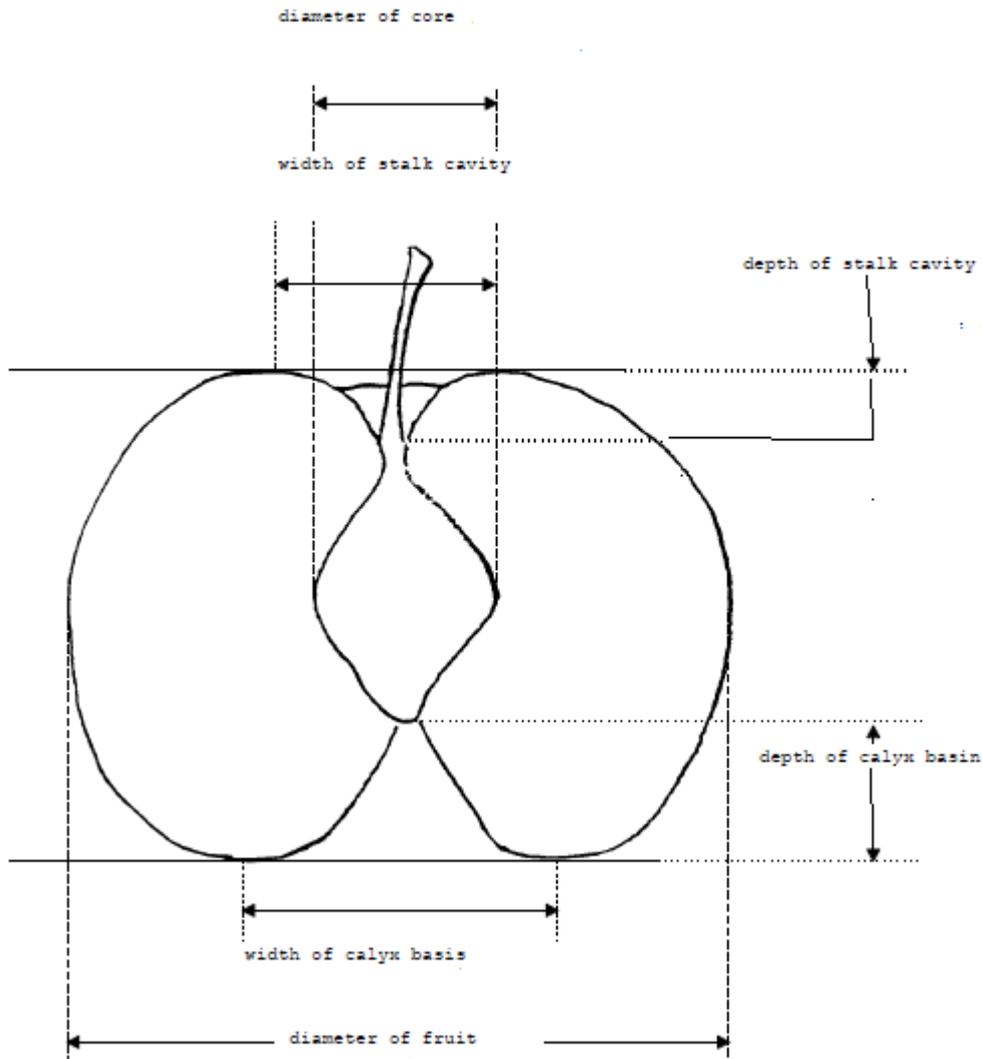


2 - straight



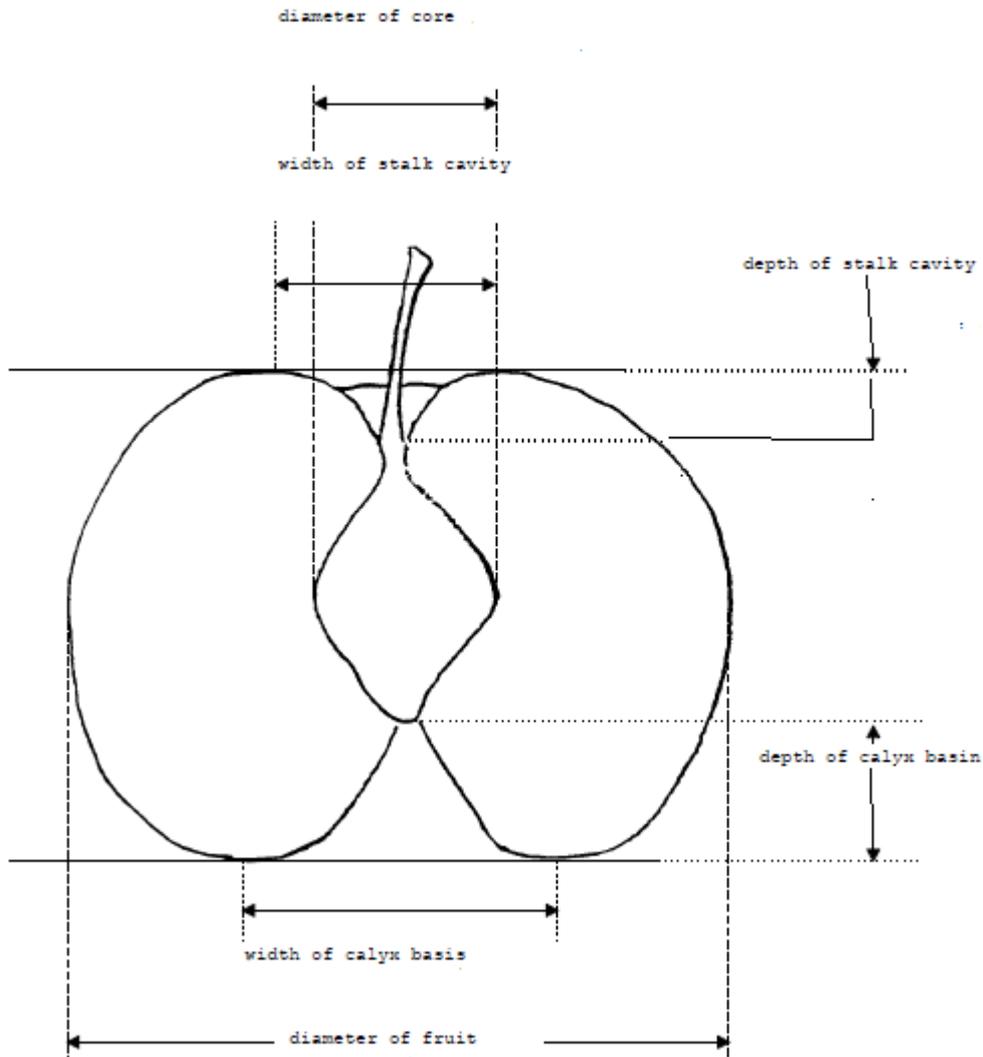
3 - convex

Ad. 65: Fruit: depth of stalk cavity



Fruit: depth of stalk cavity

Ad. 66: Fruit: width of stalk cavity



Fruit: width of stalk cavity

Ad. 67: Fruit: persistence of calyx

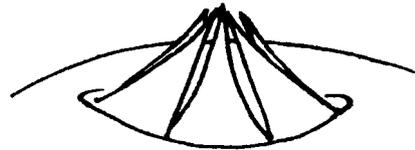
The sepals on fruit at harvest can be:

absent or very few remaining = weak persistence

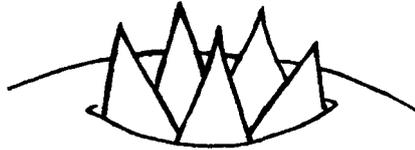
approximately half present = medium persistence

all or almost all present = strong persistence

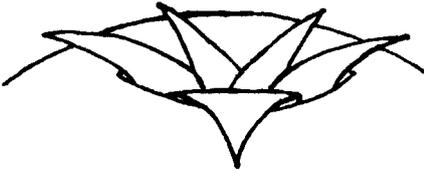
Ad. 68: Fruit: attitude of sepals



1 - converging

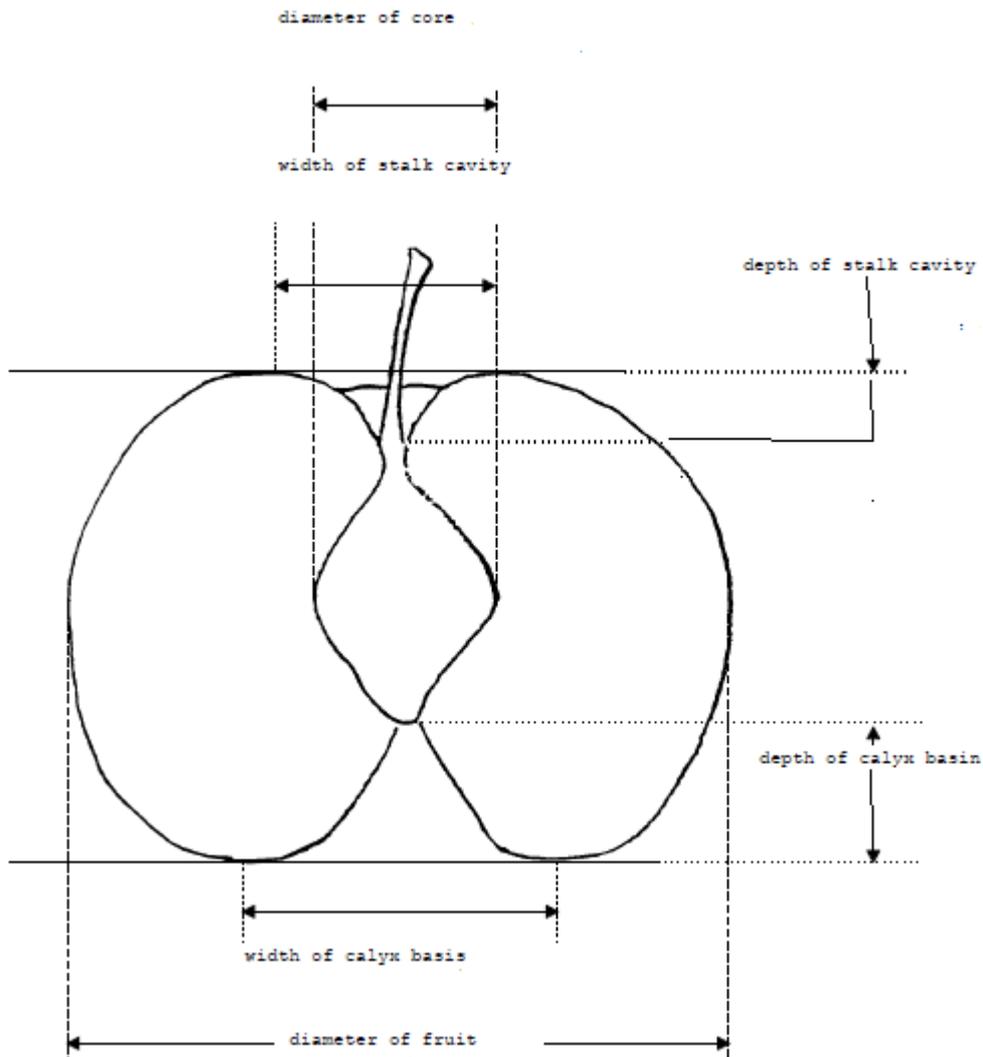


2 - erect



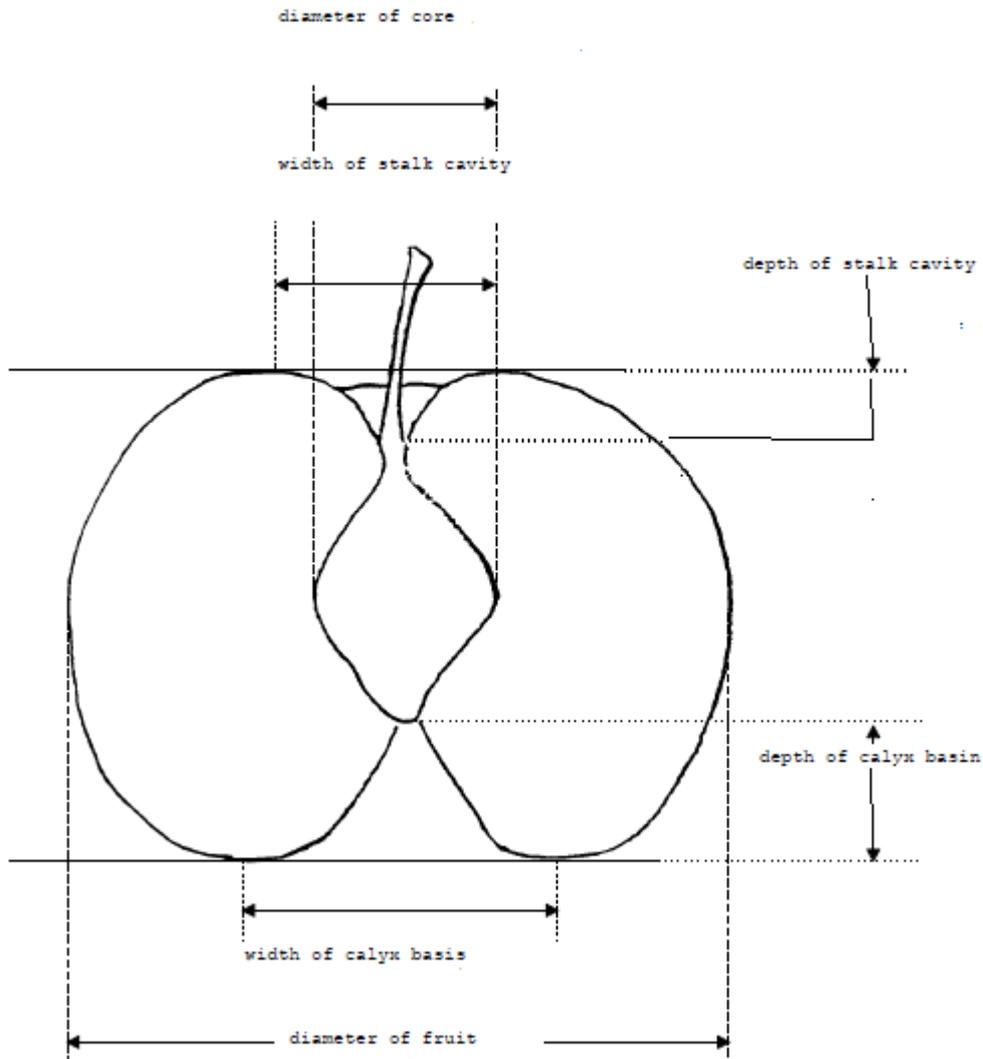
3 - spreading

Ad. 70: Fruit: depth of calyx basin



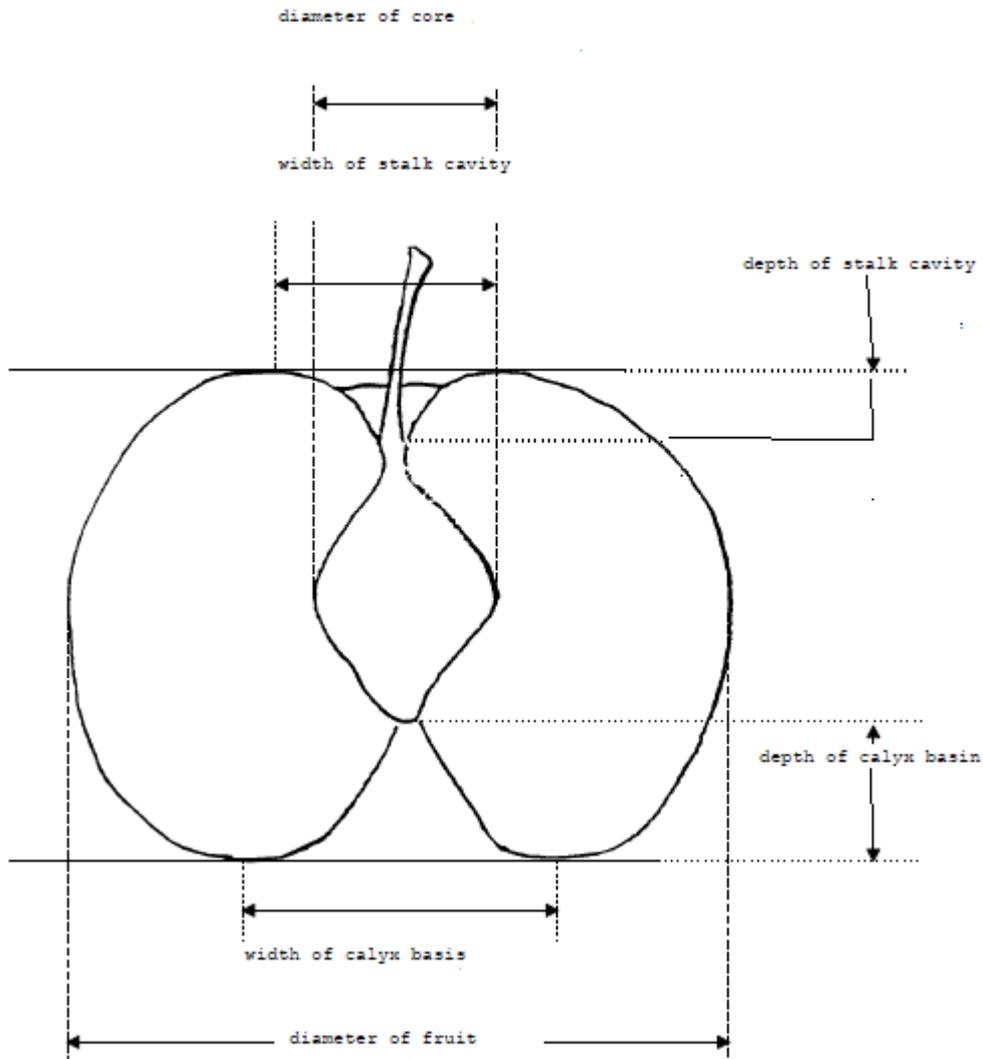
Fruit: depth of calyx basin

Ad. 71: Fruit: width of calyx basin



Fruit: width of calyx basin

Ad. 78: Fruit: ratio diameter of core/diameter of fruit



Fruit: diameter of core and diameter of fruit

9. Literature

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10. Technical Questionnaire

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	Application date: (not to be filled in by the applicant)
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TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE
 to be completed in connection with an application for plant breeders' rights

1. Subject of the Technical Questionnaire

1.1.1	Botanical Name	Pyrus xbretschneideri Rehder	[]
1.1.2	Common Name	Chinese white pear, Chinese white pear, white pear	
1.2.1	Botanical Name	Pyrus communis L.	[]
1.2.2	Common Name	European Pear, Pear	
1.3.1	Botanical Name	Pyrus xlecontei Rehder	[]
1.3.2	Common Name		
1.4.1	Botanical Name	Pyrus pyrifolia (Burm. f.) Nakai	[]
1.4.2	Common Name	Asian pear, Chinese pear, Chinese sand pear, Japanese pear, Nashi, Nashi pear, Oriental pear, Sand pear	
1.5.1	Botanical Name	Pyrus pyrifolia (Burm. f.) Nakai var. culta (Mak.) Nakai	[]
1.5.2	Common Name	poirier japonais	
1.6.1	Botanical Name	Pyrus ussuriensis Maxim.	[]
1.6.2	Common Name	Harbin pear, Ussurian pear	

2. Applicant

Name

Address

Telephone No.

Fax No.

E-mail address

Breeder (if different from applicant)

3. Proposed denomination and breeder's reference

Proposed denomination (if available)

Breeder's reference

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4. Information on the breeding scheme and propagation of the variety

4.1 Breeding scheme

Variety resulting from:

4.1.1 Crossing

(a) controlled cross []
(please state parent varieties)

(.....) x (.....)
female parent male parent

(b) partially known cross []
(please state known parent variety(ies))

(.....) x (.....)
female parent male parent

(c) unknown cross []

4.1.2 Mutation []
(please state parent variety)

[.....]

4.1.3 Discovery and development []
(please state where and when discovered and how developed)

[.....]

4.1.4 Other []
(please provide details)

[.....]

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

4.2.1 Vegetative propagation

- (a) grafting or budding []
(b) Other (state method) []

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4.2.2 Other []

(please provide details)

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5. Characteristics of the variety to be indicated (the number in brackets refers to the corresponding characteristic in Test Guidelines; please mark the note which best corresponds).

Characteristics	Example Varieties	Note
5.1 (3) Tree: growth habit		
fastigate		1[]
upright		2[]
semi upright		3[]
spreading		4[]
drooping		5[]
weeping		6[]
5.2 (45) Fruit: size		
very small		1[]
small		3[]
medium		5[]
large		7[]
very large		9[]
5.3 (50) Fruit: position of maximum diameter		
towards stem end		1[]
in middle		2[]
slightly toward calyx end		3[]
strongly toward calyx end		4[]
5.4 (52) Fruit: profile of sides		
concave		1[]
straight		2[]
convex		3[]
5.5 (54) Fruit: relative area of over color		
absent or very small		1[]
small		3[]
medium		5[]
large		7[]
very large		9[]
5.6 (55) Fruit: hue of over color		
orange		1[]
orange red		2[]
pink red		3[]
light red		4[]
dark red		5[]

5.7 (69) Fruit: presence of eye in calyx basin	
absent	1[]
present	9[]
5.8 (82) Time of beginning of flowering	
very early	1[]
early	3[]
medium	5[]
late	7[]
very late	9[]
5.9 (83) Time of harvest maturity	
very early	1[]
early	3[]
medium	5[]
late	7[]
very late	9[]

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
<i>Example</i>			

Comments:

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

7.4 A representative color photograph of the variety displaying its main distinguishing feature(s), should accompany the Technical Questionnaire. The photograph will provide a visual illustration of the candidate variety which supplements the information provided in the Technical Questionnaire.

The key points to consider when taking a photograph of the candidate variety are:

- Indication of the date and geographic location
- Correct labeling (breeder's reference)
- Good quality printed photograph (minimum 10 cm x 15 cm) and/or sufficient resolution electronic format version (minimum 960 x 1280 pixels)

Further guidance on providing photographs with the Technical Questionnaire is available in document TGP/7 "Development of Test Guidelines", Guidance Note 35 (<http://www.upov.int/tgp/en/>).

[The link provided may be deleted by members of the Union when developing authorities' own test guidelines.]

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.

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<p>9. Information on plant material to be examined or submitted for examination</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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:</p> <table data-bbox="239 560 1356 761"><tr><td>(a) Microorganisms (e.g. virus, bacteria, phytoplasma)</td><td>Yes []</td><td>No []</td></tr><tr><td>(b) Chemical treatment (e.g. growth retardant, pesticide)</td><td>Yes []</td><td>No []</td></tr><tr><td>(c) Tissue culture</td><td>Yes []</td><td>No []</td></tr><tr><td>(d) Other factors</td><td>Yes []</td><td>No []</td></tr></table> <p>Please provide details for where you have indicated "yes".</p> <p>.....</p> <p>9.3 Has the plant material to be examined been tested for the presence of virus or other pathogens? Yes [] (please provide details as specified by the Authority) No []</p>			(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 []
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<p>10. I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this form is correct:</p> <table data-bbox="223 1142 1404 1344"><tr><td data-bbox="223 1142 494 1209">Applicant's name</td><td colspan="2" data-bbox="494 1142 1404 1209"><input type="text"/></td></tr><tr><td data-bbox="223 1209 494 1321">Signature</td><td data-bbox="494 1209 973 1321"><input type="text"/></td><td data-bbox="973 1209 1404 1321">Date <input type="text"/></td></tr></table>			Applicant's name	<input type="text"/>		Signature	<input type="text"/>	Date <input type="text"/>						
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