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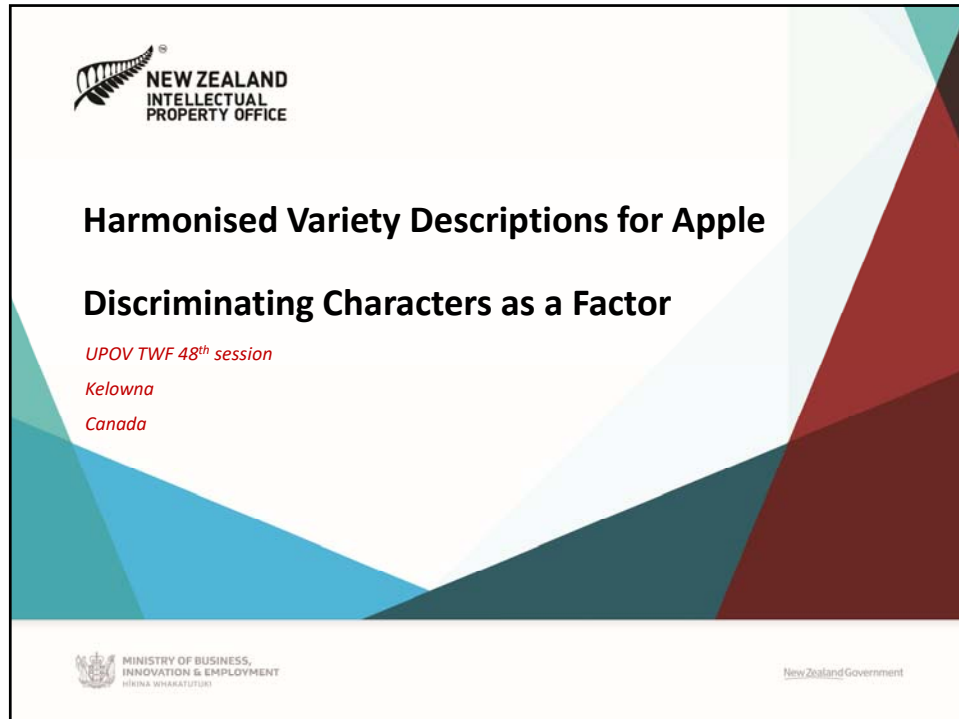
**ADDENDUM TO
CALIBRATION BOOK FOR HARMONIZED VARIETY DESCRIPTION IN APPLE***Document prepared by an expert from New Zealand**Disclaimer: this document does not represent UPOV policies or guidance*


The Annex to this document contains a copy of a presentation on “Harmonised Variety Descriptions for Apple - Discriminating Characters as a factor” presented by an expert from New Zealand, at the forty-eighth session of the Technical Working Party for Fruit crops (TWF), held in Kelowna, Canada, from September 18 to 22, 2017.

[Annex follows]

ANNEX

HARMONIZED VARIETY DESCRIPTIONS FOR APPLE - DISCRIMINATING CHARACTERS AS A FACTOR
Presentation prepared by an expert from New Zealand




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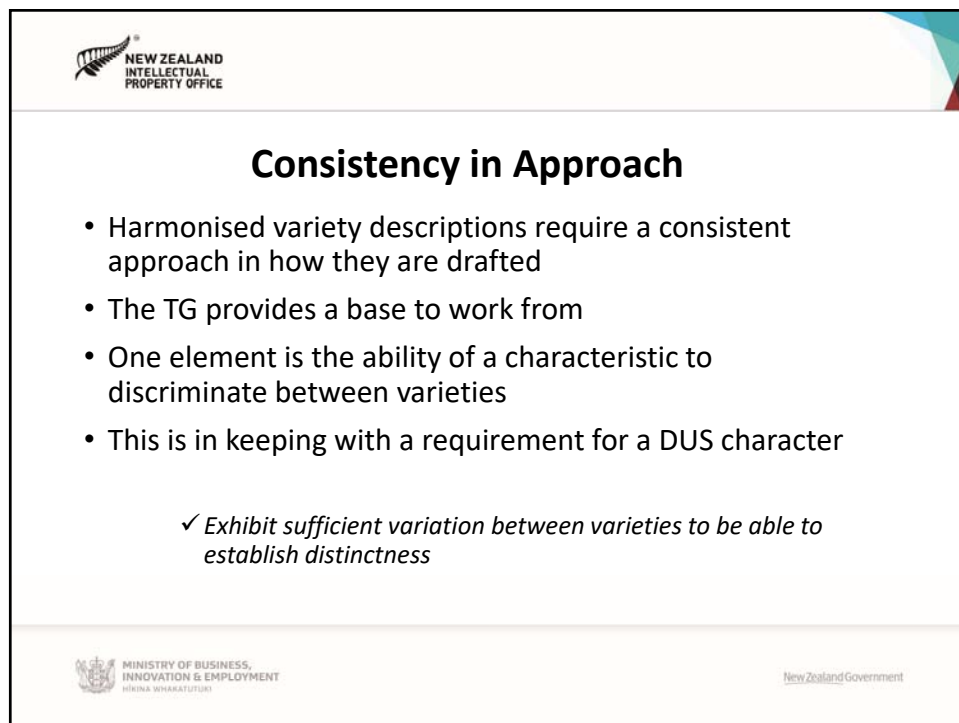
Harmonised Variety Descriptions for Apple


Discriminating Characters as a Factor

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Consistency in Approach

- Harmonised variety descriptions require a consistent approach in how they are drafted
- The TG provides a base to work from
- One element is the ability of a characteristic to discriminate between varieties
- This is in keeping with a requirement for a DUS character

✓ Exhibit sufficient variation between varieties to be able to establish distinctness

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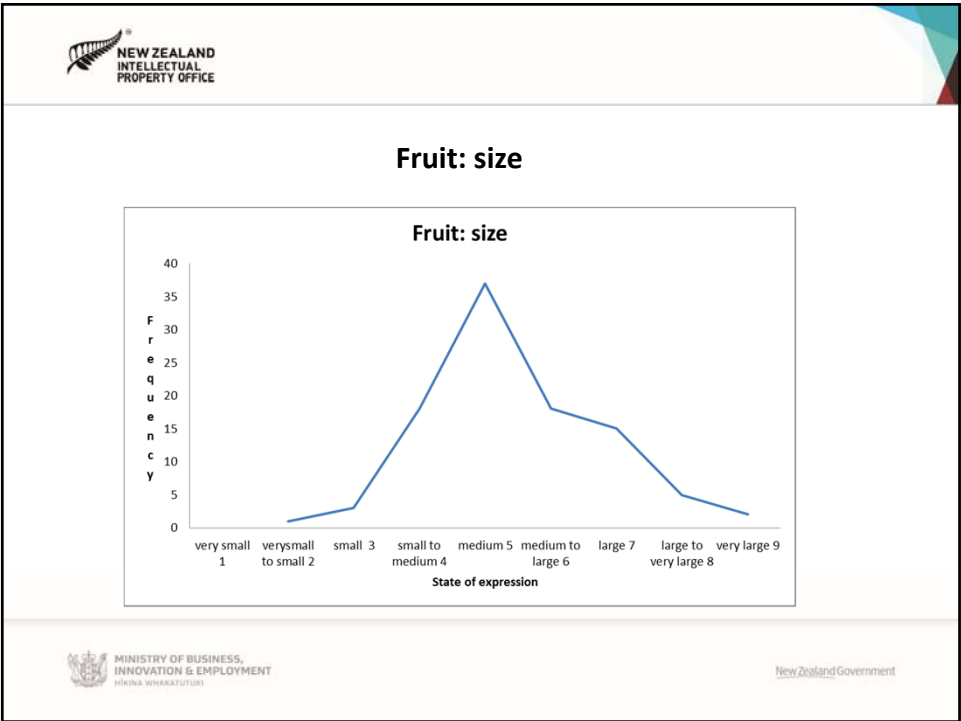
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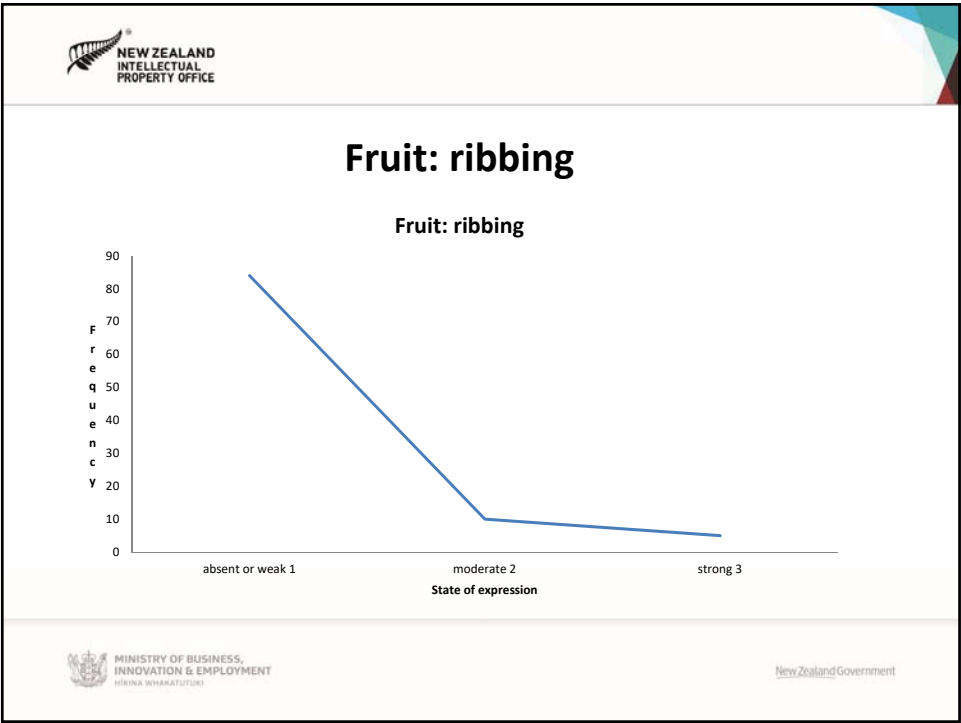
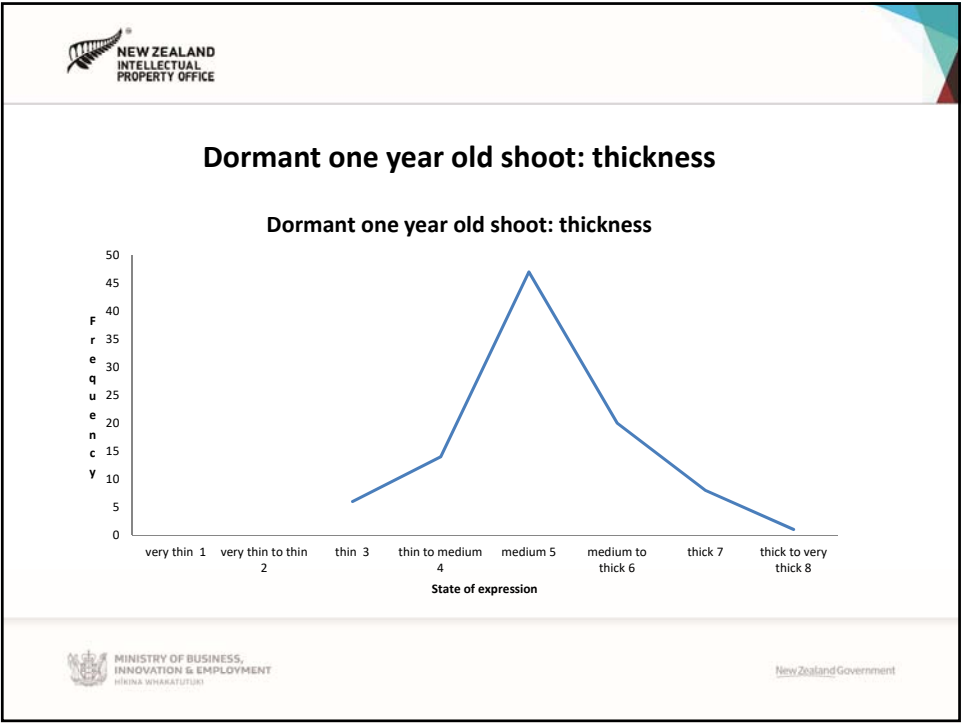
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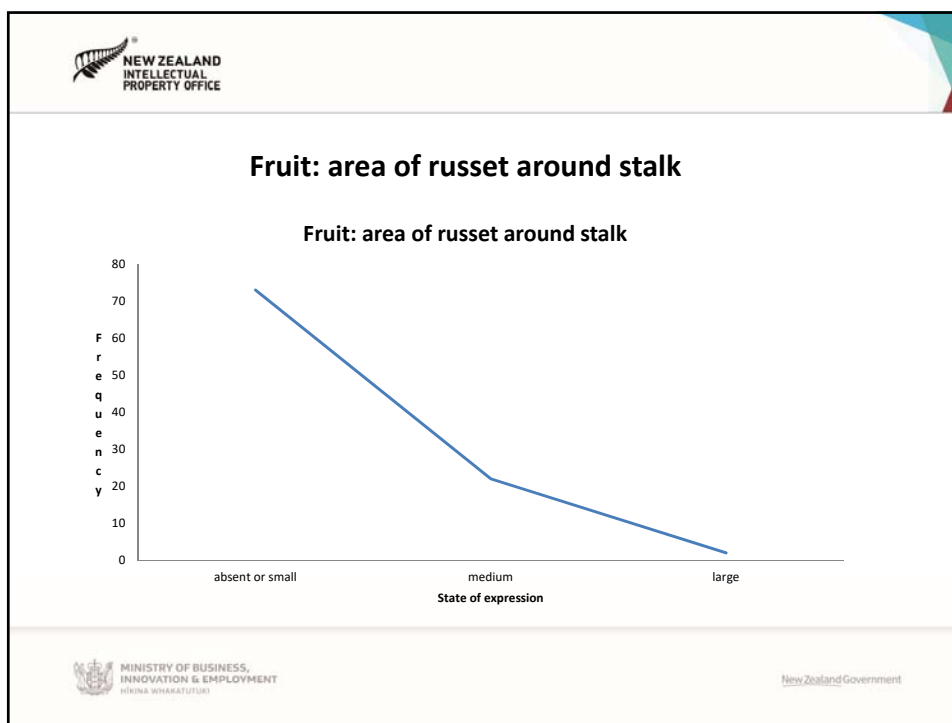



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TO KEEP IN MIND

A variety description is a critical tool for the determination of distinctness

But not the only purpose

A characteristic may lack discriminatory power but could be important for defining and identifying the variety.

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