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Partial revision of the Test Guidelines COMMOn Sea buckthorn

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 The purpose of this document is to present a proposal for a partial revision of the Test Guidelines for Common Sea Buckthorn (document TG/240/1).

 The Technical Working Party for Fruit Crops (TWF), at its fiftieth session, held in Budapest, Hungary, from June 24 to May 28, 2019, agreed that the Test Guidelines for Common Sea Buckthorn (document TG/240/1) be partially revised for the explanation Ad. 21 (see document TWF/50/13 “Report”, Annex VII).

 The proposed changes are presented below in highlight and underline (insertion) and ~~strikethrough~~ (deletion).

## Characteristic 21 “Time of beginning of flowering”

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|  |  | English | français | Deutsch | español | Example Varieties/Exemples/Beispielssorten/Variedades ejemplo | Note/Nota |
| 21.(+) | MG | Time of beginning of flowering | Époque de début de floraison | Zeitpunkt des Blühbeginns | Época de comienzo de la floración |  |  |
| **QN** |  | early | précoce | früh | temprana | Terhy, Tytti | 3 |
|  |  | medium | moyenne | mittel | media | Bojan, Dorana, Hergo, Maslichnaya | 5 |
|  |  | late | tardive | spät | tardía | Leikora, Slovan | 7 |

Proposed change to explanation Ad. 21 “Time of beginning of flowering”

*Current wording*

Ad. 21: Time of beginning of flowering

Time of beginning of flowering is when 10 % of flowers are fully open.

*Proposed new wording*

Ad. 21: Time of beginning of flowering

~~Time of beginning of flowering is when 10 % of flowers are fully open.~~

For female plants, the time of beginning of flowering is when the first stigmas are visible (the stigmas emerge from axils).

For male plants, the time of beginning of flowering is when anthers spread pollen.

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