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| **FOR DISTINCTNESS, UNIFORMITY AND STABILITY** |

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| 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. |
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| **ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS** |
| These Test Guidelines should be read in conjunction with the General Introduction and its associated TGP documents. |
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| 1. | Subject of these Test Guidelines |
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| These Test Guidelines apply to all varieties of *Morus* L. |

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| 2. | Material Required |
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| 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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| The material is to be supplied in the form of plants on their own roots or on a rootstock specified by the competent authority. |

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

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| 5 plants for varieties resulting from crossing10 plants for varieties resulting from mutation |

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

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| 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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 | The minimum duration of tests should normally be two independent growing cycles. |
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 | The two independent growing cycles may be observed from a single planting, examined in two separate growing cycles. |
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| In particular, it is essential that the plants produce a satisfactory crop of fruit in each of the two growing cycles. In the case of male varieties, it is essential that the plants produce a satisfactory number of flowers in each of the two growing cycles. |

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 | 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. |
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 | 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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 | 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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| In the case of varieties resulting from crossing, each test should be designed to result in a total of at least 5 plants. |

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| In the case of varieties resulting from mutation, each test should be designed to result in a total of at least 10 plants. |

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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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| 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 3 plants or parts of plants taken from each of 3 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 plantsVS: 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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| 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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| For the assessment of uniformity of varieties resulting from crossing, 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, no off-types are allowed. |

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| For the assessment of uniformity of varieties resulting from mutation, a population standard of 1% and an acceptance probability of at least 95% should be applied. In the case of a sample size of 10 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: |
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| Leaf: phyllotaxis (characteristic 13) |

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| Leaf blade: presence of lobes (characteristic 23) |

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| Inflorescence: sex expression (characteristic 33) |

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| Infructescence: color (characteristic 40) |

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| 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* |

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|  | 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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| 1 | Characteristic number |
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| 2 | (\*) | Asterisked characteristic | – see Chapter 6.1.2 |
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| 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 |
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| 4 | Method of observation (and type of plot, if applicable) |
|  | MG, MS, VG, VS  | – see Chapter 4.1.5 |
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| 7. | Table of Characteristics/Tableau des caractères/Merkmalstabelle/Tabla de caracteres |
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|  |  | strong |  |  |  | Kenmochi, Oyutaka, Senshin | 3 |
| **2.** | **(\*)** | **PQ** | **VG** | **(+)** |  |  |
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| **Tree: growth habit** |

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|  |  | upright |  |  |  | Mitsuminami, Piramidale, Tokiyutaka | 1 |
|  |  | semi-upright |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi | 2 |
|  |  | spreading |  |  |  | Ayanobori, Hayatesakari, Platanoide, Yukishinogi | 3 |
|  |  | drooping |  |  |  | Sekizaiso | 4 |
|  |  | weeping |  |  |  | Pendula, Shidareguwa | 5 |
| **3.** |  | **QN** | **VG** |  | **(a)** |  |
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| **Current year's shoot: number** |

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|  |  | few |  |  |  | Shin-Ichinose | 1 |
|  |  | few to medium |  |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi | 3 |
|  |  | medium to many |  |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | many |  |  |  | Kairyo-Nezumigaeshi Yukishinogi | 5 |
| **4.** |  | **QN** | **VG** |  | **(a)** |  |
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| **Current year's shoot: number of lateral shoots** |

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|  |  | absent or few |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi, Tokiyutaka | 1 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Kairyo-Nezumigaeshi | 2 |
|  |  | many |  |  |  | Jumonji, Keikanso | 3 |
| **5.** |  | **QN** | **MG/MS/VG** |  | **(a)** |  |
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| **Current year's shoot: length** |

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|  |  | short |  |  |  | Negoyatakasuke | 1 |
|  |  | short to medium |  |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi | 3 |
|  |  | medium to long |  |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | long |  |  |  | Shin-Ichinose | 5 |
| **6.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(a)** |  |
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| **Current year's shoot: zigzag** |

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|  |  | absent or weak |  |  |  | Ichinose, Yue Shen Da 10 | 1 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | He Ye Bai | 2 |
|  |  | strong |  |  |  | Hu Bei Wan Tiao, Unryu | 3 |
| **7.** |  | **QL** | **VG** |  | **(a)** |  |
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| **Current year's shoot: twisting(suppose to delete)** |

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|  |  | present |  |  |  | Sinuense | 9 |
| **8.** |  | **PQ** | **VG** |  | **(a)** |  |
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| **Current year's shoot: color** |

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|  |  | light grey |  |  |  | Ichinose | 1 |
|  |  | greyish brown |  |  |  | Mizusawaguwa | 2 |
|  |  | greenish brown |  |  |  | Shin-Ichinose | 3 |
|  |  | yellowish brown |  |  |  | Fukushimaoha | 4 |
|  |  | reddish brown |  |  |  | Ichibei | 5 |
|  |  | medium brown |  |  |  | Rohachi | 6 |
|  |  | dark brown |  |  |  | Kenmochi | 7 |
| **9.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MG/MS/VG** | **(+)** | **(a)** |  |
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| **Current year's shoot: length of internode** |

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|  |  | short |  |  |  | Sinuense, Tokiyutaka | 1 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi | 2 |
|  |  | long |  |  |  | Ichibei | 3 |
| **10.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **VG** |  | **(a)** |  |
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| **Leaf bud: size** |

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|  |  | small |  |  |  | Shin-Ichinose | 1 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi | 2 |
|  |  | large |  |  |  | Yukishinogi | 3 |
| **11.** | **(\*)** | **PQ** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(a)** |  |
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| **Leaf bud: shape** |

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|  |  | broad triangular |  |  |  | Atsubamidori, Filippine, Shin-Ichinose | 1 |
|  |  | medium triangular |  |  |  | Cattaneo fem., Florio, Ichinose, Kenmochi, Morettiana | 2 |
|  |  | narrow triangular |  |  |  | Wasemidori | 3 |
|  |  | ovate |  |  |  | Negoyatakasuke | 4 |
| **12.** | **(\*)** | **PQ** | **VG** |  | **(a)** |  |
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| **Leaf bud: color** |

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|  |  | greyish brown |  |  |  | Atsubamidori | 1 |
|  |  | yellowish brown |  |  |  | Kokuso 27 | 2 |
|  |  | reddish brown |  |  |  | Ichibei | 3 |
|  |  | medium brown |  |  |  | Ichinose | 4 |
|  |  | dark brown |  |  |  | Kenmochi | 5 |
|  |  | light grey |  |  |  | Shin-Ichinose, Shiromeroso | 6 |
| **13.** | **(\*)** | **QL** | **VG** | **(+)** |  |  |
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| **Leaf: phyllotaxis** |

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|  |  | one half |  |  |  | Chijimiguwa, Filippine, Negoyatakasuke | 1 |
|  |  | one third |  |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | two fifth |  |  |  | Cattaneo fem., Florio, Ichinose, Kenmochi | 3 |
|  |  | three eighth |  |  |  | Morettiana, Wasemidori | 4 |
|  |  | five thirteenth |  |  |  |  | 5 |
| **14.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **VG** | **(+)** |  |  |
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| **Leaf: attitude** |

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|  |  | upwards |  |  |  | Jikunashi | 1 |
|  |  | outwards |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi | 2 |
|  |  | downwards |  |  |  | Asayuki, Shin-Ichinose | 3 |
| **15.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MG/MS/VG** | **(+)** | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: length** |

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|  |  | very short |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  | very short to short |  |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | short |  |  |  | Kibajumonji, Romana rabelaire | 3 |
|  |  | short to medium |  |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose, Restelli | 5 |
|  |  | medium to long |  |  |  |  | 6 |
|  |  | long |  |  |  | Indiana, Platanoide, Popberry | 7 |
|  |  | long to very long |  |  |  |  | 8 |
|  |  | very long |  |  |  |  | 9 |
| **16.** |  | **QN** | **MG/MS/VG** |  | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: ratio length/width** |

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|  |  | low |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi | 2 |
|  |  | high |  |  |  |  | 3 |
| **17.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MG/MS/VG** | **(+)** | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: width** |

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|  |  | very narrow |  |  |  | Nervosa | 1 |
|  |  | very narrow to narrow |  |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | narrow |  |  |  | Indiana, Kibajumonji | 3 |
|  |  | narrow to medium |  |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose | 5 |
|  |  | medium to broad |  |  |  |  | 6 |
|  |  | broad |  |  |  | Popberry | 7 |
|  |  | broad to very broad |  |  |  |  | 8 |
|  |  | very broad |  |  |  | Platanoide | 9 |
| **18.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MG/MS/VG** | **(+)** | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: thickness** |

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|  |  | thin |  |  |  | Kokuso 27, Shiwasuguwa, Yukishinogi | 1 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi | 2 |
|  |  | thick |  |  |  | Atsubamidori, Ayanobori, Shin-Kenmochi | 3 |
| **19.** | **(\*)** | **PQ** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: tip** |

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|  |  | none |  |  |  | Romana rabelaire, Rougetto | 1 |
|  |  | caudate |  |  |  | Ascolana, Florio, Fukayuki, Takinokawa | 2 |
|  |  | acuminate |  |  |  | Indiana, Kenmochi, Limoncina | 3 |
| **20.** |  | **PQ** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: shape of apex** |

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|  |  | acute |  |  |  | Ichinose | 1 |
|  |  | obtuse |  |  |  | Jikunashi | 2 |
|  |  | obcordate |  |  |  | Niken | 3 |
| **21.** |  | **PQ** | **VG** |  | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: shape** |

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|  |  | triangular |  |  |  | Florio | 1 |
|  |  | cordate |  |  |  | Arancina, Ascolana | 2 |
|  |  | ovate |  |  |  | Illinois Everbearing, Nervosa, Planifolia | 3 |
|  |  | circular |  |  |  | Kokka | 4 |
|  |  | pentagonal |  |  |  | Ichinose | 5 |
| **22.** | **(\*)** | **PQ** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: shape of base** |

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|  |  | cuneate |  |  |  | Nervosa, Popberry | 1 |
|  |  | truncate |  |  |  | Goshoerami, Jumonji, Kokuso 70, Negoyatakasuke | 2 |
|  |  | retuse |  |  |  | Kenmochi, Restelli, Rosa di Lombardia | 3 |
|  |  | cordate |  |  |  | Arancina, Ichinose, Romana rabelaire | 4 |
| **23.** | **(\*)** | **QL** | **VG** |  | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: presence of lobes** |

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|  |  | absent |  |  |  | Arancina, Florio | 1 |
|  |  | present |  |  |  |  | 9 |
| **24.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(b)** |  |
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| **Only varieties with lobes present: Leaf blade: depth of sinus** |

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|  |  | very shallow |  |  |  | Florio, Limoncina, Rohachi, Takinokawa | 1 |
|  |  | shallow |  |  |  | Akagi, Shimanouchi, Shin-Ichinose | 2 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose | 3 |
|  |  | deep |  |  |  | Indiana, Kenmochi | 4 |
|  |  | very deep |  |  |  | Platanoide | 5 |
| **25.** |  | **PQ** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: margin** |

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|  |  | repand |  |  |  | Ichinose | 1 |
|  |  | crenate |  |  |  | Kairyo-Roso, Kanmasari, Limoncina, Rougetto, Shin-Ichinose | 2 |
|  |  | dentate |  |  |  | Ascolana, Fukushimaoha, Restelli | 3 |
|  |  | serrulate |  |  |  | Kenmochi, Oshimaso, Planifolia | 4 |
|  |  | biserrate |  |  |  | Florio | 5 |
|  |  | serrate |  |  |  | Akameroso, Hicks Fancy | 6 |
|  |  | aristate |  |  |  | Nervosa | 7 |
| **26.** |  | **QN** | **VG** |  | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: texture** |

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|  |  | smooth |  |  |  | Florio, Indiana, Kairyo-Roso, Muki | 1 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Kokuso 27 | 2 |
|  |  | rough |  |  |  | Ichibei, Korin | 3 |
| **27.** |  | **QN** | **VG** |  | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: blistering of surface** |

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|  |  | absent or weak |  |  |  | Arancina, Illinois Everbearing | 1 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Cattaneo fem., Florio | 2 |
|  |  | strong |  |  |  | Platanoide | 3 |
| **28.** | **(\*)** | **PQ** | **VG** |  | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: color of upper side** |

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|  |  | light green |  |  |  | Hicks Fancy, Kairyo-Roso, Romana rabelaire | 1 |
|  |  | medium green |  |  |  | Ichinose, Illinois Everbearing | 2 |
|  |  | dark green |  |  |  | Florio, Indiana, Kenmochi, Shin-Kenmochi, Yukiasahi | 3 |
|  |  | yellowish green |  |  |  | Goshoerami, Kibajumonji, Planifolia | 4 |
| **29.** |  | **QN** | **VG** |  | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: glossiness of upper side** |

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|  |  | absent or very weak |  |  |  | Keguwa | 1 |
|  |  | weak |  |  |  | Ichibei | 2 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi | 3 |
|  |  | strong |  |  |  | Shin-Kenmochi | 4 |
| **30.** |  | **QN** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(b)** |  |
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| **Leaf blade: shape in cross section** |

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|  |  | concave |  |  |  | Lun Jian 109 | 1 |
|  |  | flat |  |  |  | Yue Shen Da 10 | 2 |
|  |  | convex |  |  |  | Wan Nian Sang | 3 |
| **31.** |  | **QN** | **MG/MS/VG** |  | **(b)** |  |
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| **Petiole: length** |

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|  |  | absent or very short |  |  |  | Jikunashi | 1 |
|  |  | very short to short |  |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | short |  |  |  | Queensland Black, Rougetto, Sanchutakasuke | 3 |
|  |  | short to medium |  |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Arancina, Ascolana, Ichinose, Kenmochi | 5 |
|  |  | medium to long |  |  |  |  | 6 |
|  |  | long |  |  |  | Indiana, Kokka, Shiromekeiso | 7 |
|  |  | long to very long |  |  |  |  | 8 |
|  |  | very long |  |  |  | Nervosa | 9 |
| **32.** |  | **PQ** | **VG** |  |  |  |
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| **Flower bud: color** |

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|  |  | light brown |  |  |  | Indiana | 1 |
|  |  | medium brown |  |  |  | Florio | 2 |
|  |  | dark brown |  |  |  | Cattaneo male | 3 |
|  |  | reddish brown |  |  |  | Kokuso 21, Kokuso 27, Muki | 4 |
| **33.** | **(\*)** | **QL** | **VG** |  | **(c)** |  |
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| **Inflorescence: sex expression** |

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|  |  | staminate |  |  |  | Akameroso, Cattaneo male, Shimanouchi | 1 |
|  |  | hermaphrodite |  |  |  | Akagi, Filippine, Oshimaso | 2 |
|  |  | pistillate |  |  |  | Cattaneo fem., Ichinose, Kenmochi | 3 |
| **34.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **VG** |  | **(c)** |  |
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| **Excluding staminate varieties: Inflorescence: number of pistillate clusters** |

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|  |  | few |  |  |  | Ichibei | 1 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose | 2 |
|  |  | many |  |  |  | Kenmochi | 3 |
| **35.** | **(\*)** | **PQ** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(d)** |  |
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| **Infructescence: shape** |

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|  |  | globose |  |  |  | Piramidale | 1 |
|  |  | ellipsoid |  |  |  | Ascolana, Florio, Lalaberry | 2 |
|  |  | cylindric |  |  |  | Cattaneo fem., Ichinose, Kenmochi, Kokka, Platanoide | 3 |
| **36.** |  | **QN** | **MG/MS/VG** |  | **(d)** |  |
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| **Infructescence: length** |

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|  |  | short |  |  |  | Piramidale | 1 |
|  |  | short to medium |  |  |  | Akagi, Lhou | 2 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi, Morettiana | 3 |
|  |  | medium to long |  |  |  | Kokka, Muki | 4 |
|  |  | long |  |  |  | Lalaberry, Planifolia, Popberry, Restelli | 5 |
| **37.** |  | **QN** | **MG/MS/VG** |  | **(d)** |  |
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| **Infructescence: width** |

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|  |  | narrow |  |  |  | Planifolia, Platanoide | 1 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Filippine, Florio, Ichinose, Kenmochi | 2 |
|  |  | broad |  |  |  | Ascolana, Lalaberry, Piramidale, Popberry | 3 |
| **38.** |  | **QN** | **MG/MS/VG** |  | **(d)** | **(e)** |
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| **Infructescence: ratio length/width** |

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|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi | 2 |
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| **39.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MG/MS** |  | **(d)** |  |
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| **40.** | **(\*)** | **PQ** | **VG** |  | **(d)** |  |
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| **Infructescence: color** |

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|  |  | white |  |  |  | Ege Beyaz, Giazzola, Morettiana | 1 |
|  |  | yellowish white |  |  |  | Ascolana | 2 |
|  |  | pink |  |  |  | Kokka, Muki, Piramidale | 3 |
|  |  | reddish purple |  |  |  | Kozaemon, Restelli | 4 |
|  |  | light purple |  |  |  | Tagowase | 5 |
|  |  | dark purple |  |  |  | Florio, Lhou | 6 |
|  |  | black purple |  |  |  | Cattaneo fem., Ichinose, Indiana, Kenmochi, Lalaberry | 7 |
| **41.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MG/MS/VG** |  | **(d)** |  |
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| **Infructescence: length of peduncle** |

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|  |  | short |  |  |  | Ascolana, Giazzola, Lalaberry | 1 |
|  |  | short to medium |  |  |  | Kokka | 2 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Cattaneo fem., Ichinose, Kenmochi | 3 |
|  |  | medium to long |  |  |  | Filippine | 4 |
|  |  | long |  |  |  | Kozaemon, Platanoide | 5 |
| **42.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MG/VG** | **(+)** |  |  |
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| **Time of leaf bud burst** |

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|  |  | early |  |  |  | Ichibei, Wasemidori | 1 |
|  |  | early to medium |  |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi | 3 |
|  |  | medium to late |  |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | late |  |  |  | Akagi, Shinjiro | 5 |
| **43.** |  | **QN** | **MG/VG** | **(+)** |  |  |
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| **Time of flowering** |

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|  |  | medium |  |  |  | Ichinose, Kenmochi, Lalaberry | 3 |
|  |  | medium to late |  |  |  |  | 4 |
|  |  | late |  |  |  |  | 5 |
| **44.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MG/VG** | **(+)** |  |  |
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| **Time of fruit ripening** |

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| 8. | Explanations on the Table of Characteristics |
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| *8.1* | *Explanations covering several characteristics* |
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|  | Characteristics containing the following key in the Table of Characteristics should be examined as indicated below: |
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Observations should be made during winter dormancy. |
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| Observations should be made on the largest leaf on the upper third of the shoot in harvest time. |

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| Observations should be made at the time of full flowering. |

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| Observations should be made at the time of full maturity. |

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 | *Explanations for individual characteristics* |
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| Ad. 2: Tree: growth habit

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| Ad. 6: Current year's shoot: zigzag

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| absent or weak | medium | strong |

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| Ad. 9: Current year's shoot: length of internodewordml://84.pngObservation should be made on the middle part between the middle third and the upper third of the branch.  |

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| Ad. 11: Leaf bud: shape

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| Ad. 13: Leaf: phyllotaxisObservation should be made on the upper third of the branch. It is expressed by the number of rotations/number of leaves until two different leaves are located on the same vertical line.

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| Ad. 14: Leaf: attitude

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| Ad. 15: Leaf blade: lengthwordml://97.png |

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| Ad. 17: Leaf blade: widthSee Ad. 18 |

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| Ad. 18: Leaf blade: thicknessSee Ad. 18 |

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| Ad. 19: Leaf blade: tip

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| Ad. 20: Leaf blade: shape of apex

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| Ad. 22: Leaf blade: shape of base

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| Ad. 24: Only varieties with lobes present: Leaf blade: depth of sinusSee Ad. 18 |

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| Ad. 25: Leaf blade: margin​

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| Ad. 30: Leaf blade: shape in cross section

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| Ad. 35: Infructescence: shape

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| Ad. 42: Time of leaf bud burstThe time of bud burst is when 10% of the buds show green points. |

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| Ad. 43: Time of floweringThe time of flowering is when 50% of the flowers are fully open. |

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| Ad. 44: Time of fruit ripeningTime of fruit ripening is when 50 % of the infructescences have reached suitable condition of consumption.  |

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| 9. | Literature |

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| 10. | Technical Questionnaire |

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| TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIREto be completed in connection with an application for plant breeders' rights |

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| #4. |

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|  | 4.1 | Breeding scheme |
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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). |
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| **Tree: growth habit** |

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| Mitsuminami, Piramidale, Tokiyutaka |

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| semi-upright |

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| Ichinose, Kenmochi |

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| Ayanobori, Hayatesakari, Platanoide, Yukishinogi |

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| Pendula, Shidareguwa |

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| **5.2** |

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| **Leaf: phyllotaxis** |

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| Chijimiguwa, Filippine, Negoyatakasuke |

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| Cattaneo fem., Florio, Ichinose, Kenmochi |

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| Morettiana, Wasemidori |

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| **5.3** |

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| **Leaf blade: tip** |

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| Romana rabelaire, Rougetto |

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| caudate |

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| Ascolana, Florio, Fukayuki, Takinokawa |

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| Indiana, Kenmochi, Limoncina |

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| **5.4** |

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| **Leaf blade: presence of lobes** |

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| Arancina, Florio |

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| **5.5** |

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| **Leaf blade: color of upper side** |

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| light green |

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| Hicks Fancy, Kairyo-Roso, Romana rabelaire |

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| medium green |

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| Ichinose, Illinois Everbearing |

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| dark green |

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| Florio, Indiana, Kenmochi, Shin-Kenmochi, Yukiasahi |

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| yellowish green |

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| Goshoerami, Kibajumonji, Planifolia |

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| **5.6** |

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| **Inflorescence: sex expression** |

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| Akameroso, Cattaneo male, Shimanouchi |

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| hermaphrodite |

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| Akagi, Filippine, Oshimaso |

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| Cattaneo fem., Ichinose, Kenmochi |

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| **5.7** |

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| **Infructescence: shape** |

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| Piramidale |

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| Ascolana, Florio, Lalaberry |

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| Cattaneo fem., Ichinose, Kenmochi, Kokka, Platanoide |

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| **5.8** |

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| **Infructescence: weight** |

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| Ichinose, Kenmochi |

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| **5.9** |

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| **Infructescence: color** |

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| Ege Beyaz, Giazzola, Morettiana |

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| Kokka, Muki, Piramidale |

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| Kozaemon, Restelli |

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| Florio, Lhou |

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| black purple |

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| Cattaneo fem., Ichinose, Indiana, Kenmochi, Lalaberry |

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| **5.10** |

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| **Time of leaf bud burst** |

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| Ichibei, Wasemidori |

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| Ichinose, Kenmochi |

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| Akagi, Shinjiro |

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| 6. | Similar varieties and differences from these varieties |
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| *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.*   |

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| Denomination(s) of variety(ies) similar to your candidate variety |

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| Characteristic(s) in which your candidate variety differs from the similar variety(ies) |

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| Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for the **similar** variety(ies) |

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| Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for **your** candidate variety |

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| *Example* |

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| *Tree: vigor* |

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| #7. |

 | Additional information which may help in the examination of the variety |
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| 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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|              Main use             (a) Fruit [ ]             (b) Ornamental [ ]             (c) Other [ ] |

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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. |
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| 9. Information on plant material to be examined or submitted for examination |

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| 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. |
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| 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: |

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|  | (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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| 10. | I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this form is correct: |
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|  |  Signature |  | Date |  |  |
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