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**PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE WORKING PAPER ON TEST GUIDELINES
FOR CURLY KALE FOLLOWING COMMENTS FROM THE SUBGROUP EXPERTS**

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Comments on TWV/31/7 from the expert subgroup for Curly Kale**1. Scope of the guideline**

The scope of the guideline is limited to var. *sabellica*.

2. Proposals for changes to the guideline

2.1 It was agreed to delete the following characteristics

1. Seedling : green color of cotyledons
4. Plant: length of stem
5. Plant: length of internodes
7. Leaf blade: intensity of color of young leaf
19. Petiole: number of lobes

2.2 It was agreed to add the following characteristics

Character	Character State	Example variety	Note
Plant: shape (fully grown, but before leaf senescence)	inverted pyramid		1
	prostrate		2
	dome		3
	pyramid		4
	column		5
Plant: position of growing point in relation to top of plant	very low		1
	low		3
	level		5
Plant: anthocyanin pigmentation	absent		1
	present		9
Plant: distribution of anthocyanin pigment	petiole and midrib		1
	petiole, midrib and leaf margin		2
	petiole, midrib and entire leaf		3
Leaf: type	entire (strap)	Nero di Toscana precoce	1
	lobed	Dwarf Green Curled	9
Leaf blade: blistering	absent	Hammer	1
	present	Nero di Toscana precoce	9
Time of senescence of first leaf	very early		1
	early		3
	medium		5
	late		7
	very late		9

2.3 It was agreed to add the following states

Character	Character State	Example variety	Note
Leaf blade: color of young leaf and Leaf blade: color of fully developed leaf	blue	Nero di Toscana precoce	5
	red or purple	Garna Red	6

2.4 It was agreed to amend the following characteristics

Leaf blade: cupping in cross section

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Leaf blade: folding in transverse section	weak	Pentland Brig	3
	medium		5
	strong	Lerchenzungen	7

Petiole attitude

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Petiole attitude at the middle of the plant

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