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Petroselinum crispum (Mill.) Fuss

GUIDELINES

FOR THE CONDUCT OF TESTS

FOR DISTINCTNESS, UNIFORMITY AND STABILITY

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<i>Botanical name</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>French</i>	<i>German</i>	<i>Spanish</i>
<i>Petroselinum crispum</i> (Mill.) Fuss	Parsley	Persil	Petersilie	Perejil

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.

* 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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1. Subject of these Test Guidelines

These Test Guidelines apply to all varieties of *Petroselinum crispum* (Mill.) Fuss .

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 seed.

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

Leaf parsley: 12,000 seeds
Root parsley: 24,000 seeds.

The seed should meet the minimum requirements for germination, species and analytical purity, health and moisture content, specified by the competent authority. In cases where the seed is to be stored, the germination capacity should be as high as possible and should, be stated by the applicant.

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 The two independent growing cycles should be in the form of two separate plantings.

3.1.3 The testing of a variety may be concluded when the competent authority can determine with certainty the outcome of the test.

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*

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.

3.4 *Test Design*

3.4.1 Each test should be designed to result in at least 60 plants for leaf parsley and 160 plants for root parsley, which should be divided between at least 2 replicates.

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 or Parts of Plants to be Examined

Unless otherwise indicated, for the purposes of distinctness, all observations on single plants should be made on 40 plants or parts of plants taken from each of 40 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 1.

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 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 These Test Guidelines have been developed for the examination of seed-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.
- 4.2.3 The assessment of uniformity should be according to the recommendations for cross-pollinated varieties in the General Introduction.
- 4.2.4 For the assessment of uniformity of seed-propagated varieties, a population standard of 2% and an acceptance probability of at least 95% should be applied. In the case of a sample size of 40 plants, 2 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 seed 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) Leaf blade: curling (characteristic 6)
 - (b) Root: thickening of main root (characteristic 20)
- 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 All relevant states of expression are presented in the characteristic.

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

		English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
		Name of characteristics in English	Nom du caractère en français	Name des Merkmals auf Deutsch	Nombre del carácter en español		
		states of expression	types d'expression	Ausprägungsstufen	tipos de expresión		

1 Characteristic number

2 (*) Asterisked characteristic – see Chapter 6.1.2

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

4 Method of observation (and type of plot, if applicable)
MG, MS, VG, VS – see Chapter 4.1.5

5 (+) See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8.2

6 (a)-(b) See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8.1

7 Not applicable

(FL) Flat leave type
(CL) Curled leave type
(R) Root parsley

7. Table of Characteristics/Tableau des caractères/Merkmalstabelle/Tabla de caracteres

	English		français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
1. (*)	QN	MS/VG	(a)				
	Plant: height						
	very short						1
	short to very short						2
	short					Frisé vert foncé (CL)	3
	short to medium					Grüne Perle (CL)	4
	medium					Titan (CL)	5
	medium to tall						6
	tall					Natalka (FL)	7
	tall to very tall						8
	very tall					Gigante d'Italia (FL)	9
2.	QN	MS/VG	(a)				
	Plant: width						
	very narrow						1
	narrow to very narrow						2
	narrow					Afrodite (CL)	3
	narrow to medium					Grüne Perle (CL)	4
	medium					Titan (CL)	5
	medium to broad					Laura (FL)	6
	broad						7
	broad to very broad						8
	very broad						9
3. (*)	QN	VG	(a)				
	Plant: density of foliage						
	very loose						1
	loose to very loose						2
	loose					Gigante d'Italia (FL), Titan (CL)	3
	loose to medium					Laica (FL), Laura (FL)	4
	medium					Ines (CL)	5
	medium to dense					Bravour (CL), Kudrnka (CL)	6
	dense					Mersil (CL)	7
	dense to very dense					Grüne Perle (CL), Lisette (CL)	8
	very dense					Afrodite (CL)	9

	English		français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
4.	QN	VG	(a)				
	Plant: number of leaves						
	very few						1
	few					Ines (CL), Starlett (CL)	2
	medium						3
	many					Gigante d'Italia (FL)	4
	very many						5
5.	QN	VG	(+)	(a)			
	Leaf: attitude						
	erect					Laura (FL), Titan (CL)	1
	erect to semi erect					Gigante d'Italia (FL)	2
	semi erect					Grüne Perle (CL)	3
	semi erect to prostrate						4
	prostrate					Masina (CL)	5
6. (*)	QL	VG	(a)				
	Leaf blade: curling						
	absent					Gigante d'Italia (FL)	1
	present					Grüne Perle (CL)	9
7. (*)	QN	VG	(+)	(a)			
	<u>Only varieties with leaf blade curling:</u> Leaf blade: intensity of curling						
	very weak						1
	weak to very weak						2
	weak					Kudrnka (CL)	3
	weak to medium						4
	medium					Ines (CL)	5
	medium to strong						6
	strong					Emma (CL)	7
	strong to very strong					Xenon (CL)	8
	very strong						9

	English		français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
8.	QN	VG	(a)				
	Only varieties with leaf blade curling: Plant: appearance of surface of canopy						
	very sparse						1
	sparse to very sparse						2
	sparse						3
	sparse to medium						4
	medium					Ines (CL)	5
	medium to dense					Emma (CL)	6
	dense					Gusti (CL), Starlett (CL)	7
	dense to very dense					Xenon (CL)	8
	very dense						9
9.	QL	VG	(a)				
	Only varieties with leaf blade curling: Leaf blade: upward reflexing of lobes						
	absent					Xenon (CL)	1
	present					Grüne Perle (CL), Lisette (CL), Thujade (CL)	9
10. (*)	QN	MS/VG	(+)	(a)			
	Leaf blade: length						
	very short						1
	short to very short						2
	short					Afrodite (CL), Xenon (CL)	3
	short to medium					Lisette (CL), Titan (CL)	4
	medium					Laura (FL), Lion (FL)	5
	medium to long					Gigante d'Italia (FL)	6
	long					Laica (FL)	7
	long to very long						8
	very long						9

	English		français		deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
11. (*)	QN	MS/VG	(+)	(a)				
	Leaf blade: width							
	very narrow							1
	narrow to very narrow							2
	narrow							3
	narrow to medium						Titan (CL)	4
	medium						Emma (CL), Lion (FL)	5
	medium to broad						Laura (FL)	6
	broad						Laica (FL)	7
	broad to very broad							8
	very broad							9
12.	QN	MS/VG		(a)				
	Leaf blade: ratio length/width							
	very small							1
	small to very small							2
	small						Xenon (CL)	3
	small to medium						Grüne Perle (CL)	4
	medium						Laica (FL), Laura (FL), Starlett (CL)	5
	medium to large							6
	large						Gigante d'Italia (FL)	7
	large to very large							8
	very large							9
13. (*)	QN	VG		(a)				
	Leaf blade: intensity of green color							
	very light							1
	very light to light							2
	light							3
	light to medium							4
	medium						Bravour (CL), Lisette (CL)	5
	medium to dark						Emma (CL), Starlett (CL)	6
	dark						Ines (CL), Laica (FL)	7
	dark to very dark						Lion (FL)	8
	very dark						Titan (CL)	9

	English		français		deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
14.	QN	MS/VG	(+)	(a)				
	Leaf blade: distance between 1st and 2nd pair of leaflets							
	very short							1
	short to very short							2
	short						Afrodite (CL), Xenon (CL)	3
	short to medium						Grüne Perle (CL), Ines (CL)	4
	medium						Lisette (CL), Titan (CL)	5
	medium to long							6
	long						Laura (FL)	7
	long to very long							8
	very long							9
15. (*)	QN	VG	(+)	(a)				
	Leaflet: width of leaf blade							
	narrow						Menuette (CL)	1
	medium							2
	broad						Grüne Perle (CL), Lisette (CL)	3
16.	QN	VG	(+)	(a)				
	Leaflet: shape							
	very narrow triangular						Gigante d'Italia (FL)	1
	very narrow triangular to narrow triangular						Laura (FL), Titan (CL)	2
	narrow triangular							3
	narrow triangular to medium triangular							4
	medium triangular							5
	medium triangular to broad triangular						Ines (CL), Laica (FL)	6
	broad triangular						Grüne Perle (CL), Lisette (CL)	7
	broad triangular to very broad triangular							8
	very broad triangular							9

	English		français		deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
17.	QN	MS/VG	(+)	(a)				
	Petiole: length							
	very short							1
	short to very short							2
	short						Ines (CL)	3
	short to medium						Emma (CL), Grüne Perle (CL)	4
	medium						Laura (FL)	5
	medium to long							6
	long							7
	long to very long							8
	very long							9
18.	QN	MS/VG	(+)	(a)				
	Petiole: thickness							
	thin							1
	thin to medium							2
	medium						Emma (CL), Menuette (CL)	3
	medium to thick							4
	thick							5
19. (*)	QN	VG		(a)				
	Petiole: anthocyanin coloration							
	absent or very weak						Grüne Perle (CL), Titan (CL)	1
	weak						Natalka (FL)	2
	medium							3
	strong							4
	very strong							5
20. (*)	QL	VG		(b)				
	Root: thickening of main root							
	absent (leaf parsley)						Menuette (CL)	1
	present (root parsley)						Halblange (R)	9

	English		français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
21. (*)	QN	MS/VG	(b)				
	Only root parsley varieties: Root: length						
	very short					Halblange (R)	1
	short to very short						2
	short						3
	short to medium						4
	medium						5
	medium to long						6
	long						7
	long to very long						8
	very long						9
22. (*)	QN	MS/VG	(b)				
	Only root parsley varieties: Root: width						
	narrow						1
	narrow to medium						2
	medium						3
	medium to broad						4
	broad						5
23. (*)	QN	MS/VG	(b)				
	Only root parsley varieties: Root: ratio length/width						
	small						1
	small to medium						2
	medium						3
	medium to large						4
	large						5

	English		français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
24.	QN	VG	(b)				
	<u>Only root parsley varieties:</u> Root: branching						
	very weak						1
	weak to very weak						2
	weak						3
	weak to medium						4
	medium						5
	medium to strong						6
	strong to very strong						8
	strong						9

8. Explanations on the Table of Characteristics

8.1 *Explanations covering several characteristics*

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

- (a) Observations should be made at the time of full development of the foliage. All observations on leaf or foliage should be made on leaves which represent the variety.
- (b) All observations on the root should be made at root maturity.

.2 *Explanations for individual characteristics*

Ad. 5: Leaf: attitude

Picture will be added.

Ad. 7: Only varieties with leaf blade curling: Leaf blade: intensity of curling



3
weak



5
medium



7
strong



9
very strong

Ad. 10: Leaf blade: length

Explanation will be added.

Ad. 11: Leaf blade: width

Explanation will be added.

Ad. 14: Leaf blade: distance between 1st and 2nd pair of leaflets

Explanation will be added.

Ad. 15: Leaflet: width of leaf blade



1
narrow

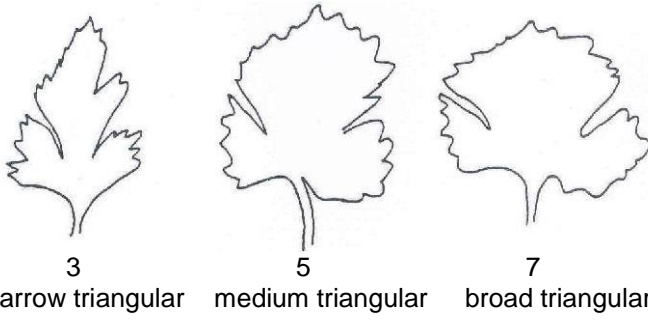


2
medium



3
broad

Ad. 16: Leaflet: shape



Ad. 17: Petiole: length

Explanation will be added.

Ad. 18: Petiole: thickness

Explanation will be added.

9. Literature

To be added.

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 Botanical name	<i>Petroselinum crispum</i> (Mill.) Fuss
1.2 Common name	Parsley
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 variety)

(.....) 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)

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4.2 Method of propagating the variety

4.2.1 Seed-propagated varieties

(a) Cross-pollination

[]

(b) Other (please provide details)

[]

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 Plant: height (1)		
very short		1 []
short to very short		2 []
short	Frisé vert foncé (CL)	3 []
short to medium	Grüne Perle (CL)	4 []
medium	Titan (CL)	5 []
medium to tall		6 []
tall	Natalka (FL)	7 []
tall to very tall		8 []
very tall	Gigante d'Italia (FL)	9 []
5.2 Leaf blade: curling (6)		
absent	Gigante d'Italia (FL)	1 []
present	Grüne Perle (CL)	9 []
5.3 Leaf blade: intensity of green color (13)		
very light		1 []
very light to light		2 []
light		3 []
light to medium		4 []
medium	Bravour (CL), Lisette (CL)	5 []
medium to dark	Emma (CL), Starlett (CL)	6 []
dark	Ines (CL), Laica (FL)	7 []
dark to very dark	Lion (FL)	8 []
very dark	Titan (CL)	9 []
5.4 Leaflet: width of leaf blade (15)		
narrow	Menuette (CL)	1 []
medium		2 []
broad	Grüne Perle (CL), Lisette (CL)	3 []

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Characteristics	Example Varieties	Note
5.5 (20) Root: thickening of main root		
absent (leaf parsley)	Menuette (CL)	1 []
present (root parsley)	Halblange (R)	9 []
5.6 (21) <u>Only root parsley varieties:</u> Root: length		
very short	Halblange (R)	1 []
short to very short		2 []
short		3 []
short to medium		4 []
medium		5 []
medium to long		6 []
long		7 []
long to very long		8 []
very long		9 []
5.7 (23) <u>Only root parsley varieties:</u> Root: ratio length/width		
small		1 []
small to medium		2 []
medium		3 []
medium tp large		4 []
large		5 []

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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:			

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#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		

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<p>8. Authorization for release</p> <p>(a) Does the variety require prior authorization for release under legislation concerning the protection of the environment, human and animal health?</p> <p>Yes [] No []</p> <p>(b) Has such authorization been obtained?</p> <p>Yes [] No []</p> <p>If the answer to (b) is yes, please attach a copy of the authorization.</p>																		
<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 border="0"><tr><td>(a)</td><td>Microorganisms (e.g. virus, bacteria, phytoplasma)</td><td>Yes []</td><td>No []</td></tr><tr><td>(b)</td><td>Chemical treatment (e.g. growth retardant, pesticide)</td><td>Yes []</td><td>No []</td></tr><tr><td>(c)</td><td>Tissue culture</td><td>Yes []</td><td>No []</td></tr><tr><td>(d)</td><td>Other factors</td><td>Yes []</td><td>No []</td></tr></table> <p>Please provide details for where you have indicated "yes".</p> <p>.....</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> <p>Applicant's name <input type="text"/></p> <p>Signature <input type="text"/> Date <input type="text"/></p>																		

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