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HARMONIZATION OF FEES

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1. During the second session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Examination, held in January 1975, experts were asked to send to the Office of the Union copies of their laws and regulations concerning fees. On the basis of the copies received and of the replies to a questionnaire which was circulated to the Plant Variety Offices of member States and certain other States, the Office of the Union established a document on the harmonization of fees. This document was completed during the third session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Examination.

2. The completed information on the fees to be paid by the breeder for a new variety in the various member States is contained in 9 tables, annexed to this document in the following order:

- Table 1: Application fees
- Table 2: Testing fees in the first year of testing
- Table 3: Testing fees in the second year of testing, if different from first year fees
- Table 4: Administrative fees if data are available from other tests
- Table 5: Decision fees
- Table 6: Lowest annual renewal fees
- Table 7: Highest annual renewal fees
- Table 8: Comparative table of fees to be paid by breeders for certain important crops (wheat, potatoes, peas, roses, apples)
- Table 9: Sum of total fees to be paid by breeders for certain important crops

3. The information is split into the fees payable in connection with the application for Plant Breeders' Rights (column A), and the fees payable in connection with the inclusion of a variety in the national list of varieties, the latter being further split into fees for value tests required for some species (column C) and other fees (column B).

4. For comparison purposes, the amounts of fees have been converted into Swiss francs (according to the exchange rate of April 7, 1975) with an indication of the local currency in brackets. The exchange rate applied was as follows:

Denmark	Dkr 100	=	Sw.frs.	48.00
France	FF 100	=	Sw.frs.	61.50
Germany (Federal Republic of)	DM 100	=	Sw.frs.	109.00
Netherlands	fl 100	=	Sw.frs.	107.30
Sweden	Skr 100	=	Sw.frs.	65.50
United Kingdom	£ 1	=	Sw.frs.	6.25

[9 tables follow]

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Table 1

APPLICATION FEES

SPECIES	D			DK			F			NL			S			UK		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
all species	164 (150)	109 (100)	-	480 (1000)		-				215 (200)	-	-	393 (600)					
all species except: ornamentals for use in the garden or as pot plants							215 (350)											
ornamentals for use in the garden or as pot plants							185 (300)											
all species except: all fruit crops, vine, egg plant, carrot, chicory, parsley, spinach beet, cornsalad								369 (600)	-									
all fruit crops, vine, egg plant, carrot, chicory, parsley, spinach beet, cornsalad								148 (240)	-									
agricultural crops					480													
vegetables					240													
wheat, oat, barley, potato, ryegrass, lucerne																		188 (30)
pea, French bean, runner bean, lettuce, rose, perennial chrysanthemum, perpetual flowering carnation, raspberry, black currant, apple, apple rootstock, pear, pear rootstock, plum, plum rootstock, damson, damson rootstock, strawberry, rhubarb																		125 (20)
border carnation, pink, narcissus, freesia, gladiolus, dahlia, rhododendron, perennial delphinium, pelargonium, streptocarpus, cymbidium, herbaceous perennial, tree, shrub, woody climber, conifer, taxad																		94 (15)

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S P E C I E S	D			DK			F			NL			S			UK		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C ¹⁾	A	B	C
herbage crops, pulses, cereals except: rye													787 (1200)	787 (1200)				
field vegetables, rye, agricul- tural crops except: other cereals, pulses, herbage crops													524 (800)	524 (800)				
green house vegetables except: cucumber, melon, tomato, red pep- per													524 (800)	524 (800)				
cucumber, melon, tomato, red pep- per in glasshouses													787 (1200)	787 (1200)				
spinach, kale, dill, radish															619 (945)			
cabbage, onion, leek, parsley, carrot, garden-beet, lettuce, peas for cann- ing and freezing, parsnip, beans, Brussels-sprout, sprouting broccoli, rost-celery, swede															966 (1475)			
cucumber, field cauliflower															1546 (2360)			
winter barley, kidney beans, lupins, marrow stem kale, vetches and peas for green matter															1932 (2950)			
spring turnip, rape, field beans, early type red clover, Westerwoldian ryegrass, fodder rape, peas for grain, lawngrasses; in glasshouse: cucumber, melon, tomatoes															3865 (5900)			

1) Fees for whole testing period

TESTING FEES IN FIRST YEAR OF TESTING

SPECIES	D			DK			F			NL			S			UK		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C ¹	A	B	C
spring wheat, winter turnip, rape, spring rape, Italian ryegrass, Alsike clover, cocksfoot, perennial ryegrass															5797 (8850)			
winter wheat, winter rye, spring barley, oats, winter rape, brome grass, lucerne															7729 (11,800)			
potatoes, meadow fescue, white clover, smooth-stalked meadow-grass, red clover, timothy															9661 (14,750)			
wheat, barley, oats																469 (75)		
ryegrass, lucerne																281 (45)		
peas, French beans, runner beans, lettuce																250 (40)		
potatoes																219 (35)		
roses, perennial chrysanthemum, perpetual flowering carnations																188 (30)		
narcissus, freesia, gladiolus, border carnation, pink, dahlia, pelargonium, streptocarpus, herbaceous perennial, straw- berry, raspberry, black currant, rhubarb, apple rootstock, pear rootstock, plum rootstock, damson rootstock; cymbidium (each examination)																125 (20)		
apple, pear, plum, damson, rhododendron, delphinium, conifer, tree, shrub, woody climber																63 (10)		

1) fees for whole testing period

[Table 3 follows]

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TESTING FEES IN SECOND YEAR OF TESTING IF DIFFERENT FROM FIRST YEAR FEES

S P E C I E S	D			DK			F			NL			S			UK		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
all species										268 (250)	-	-						
maize for grain								1538 (2500)										
rhododendron, delphinium, conifer, taxad, tree, shrub, woody climber (in year after planting)																	125 (20)	
apple, pear, plum, damson (in years when trees bear fruits)																	125 (20)	

[Table 4 follows]

ADMINISTRATIVE FEES IF DATA ARE AVAILABLE FROM OTHER TESTS

S P E C I E S	D			DK			F			NL			S			UK			
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	
all species	55 (50)	55 (50)					74 (120)												

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DECISION FEE

S P E C I E S	D			DK			F			NL			S			UK		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
all species	164 (150)	164 (150)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
all species except ornamentals for the garden or as pot plants							154 (250)											
ornamentals for the garden or as pot plants							123 (200)											
all species except wheat, barley, oat, potato, ryegrass, lucerne																		188 (30)
wheat, barley, oat, potato, ryegrass, lucerne																		125 (20)

[Table 6 follows]

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LOWEST ANNUAL RENEWAL FEES

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S P E C I E S	D			DK			F			NL			S			UK			
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	
agricultural crops except: flax, rice, vegetables, ornamentals for cut flowers							154 (250)												
fruit trees, forest trees, bush fruits, lavender, flax, rice, vine							92 (150)												
ornamentals for the garden or as pot plants							62 (100)												
wheat, oat, barley																			219 (35)
year-round perennial chrysanthemum, perpetual flowering carnation, roses in glasshouses																			188 (30)
potato, ryegrass, lucerne, pea, French bean, runner bean, lettuce, strawberry, raspberry, black currant, rhubarb, roses other than in glasshouses																			156 (25)
perennial chrysanthemum (other than a year-round variety), narcissus, freesia, gladiolus, border carnation, pink, cymbidium, dahlia, rhododendron, pelargonium, perennial delphinium, streptocarpus, herbaceous perennials, conifers, taxads, trees, shrubs, woody climbers, apple rootstock, pear rootstock, plum rootstock, damson rootstock, apple, pear, plum, damson																			125 (20)
agricultural crops																			96
vegetables																			24

[Table 7 follows]

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HIGHEST ANNUAL RENEWAL FEES

S P E C I E S	D			DK			F			NL			S			UK		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
agricultural crops					144													
vegetables					48													
agricultural crops except: flax, rice, vegetables, ornamentals for cut flowers							554 (900)											
fruit trees, forest trees, bush fruits lavender, flax, rice, vine							369 (600)											
ornamentals for the garden or as pot plants							185 (300)											
wheat, oat, barley																		563 (90)
year-round perennial chrysanthemum, perpetual flowering carnation, roses in glasshouses																		313 (50)
potato, ryegrass, lucerne, pea, French bean, runner bean, lettuce, strawberry, raspberry, black currant, rhubarb, roses other than in glasshouses, apple, pear, plum, damson																		281 (45)
perennial chrysanthemum (other than a year-round variety), narcissus, freesia, gladiolus, border carnation, pink, cymbidium, dahlia, rhododen- dron, pelargonium, perennial delphinium, streptocarpus, herbaceous perennial, conifer, taxad, tree shrub, woody climber, apple rootstock, pear rootstock, plum rootstock, damson rootstock																		188 (30)

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF FEES TO BE PAID BY BREEDERS FOR CERTAIN IMPORTANT CROPS (IN SWISS FRANCS)

Wheat

FEES	D			DK			F			NL			S			UK			
	A	B	C ¹⁾	A	B	C ¹⁾	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C ²⁾	A	B	C	
Application fee	164	109	-	480	480	-	215	369	-	215	-	-	393			188			
Testing fee in the first year of testing	218	218	436	240	240	240	369	369	738	375	-	-	787	787	5797 7729	469	-	-	
Testing fee in the second year of testing	218	218	436	240	240	240	369	369	738	268	-	-	787	787	-	469	-	-	
Decision fee	164	164	-	-	-	-	154	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	125	-	-	
Lowest annual renewal fee	109	109	-	240	96	-	154	-	-	215	-	-	557	-	-	219	-	-	
Highest annual renewal fee	654	1090	-	240	144	-	554	-	-	644	-	-	557	-	-	563	-	-	
Sum of total fees (two years of testing) from date of application during first:	two years	764	709	872	960	960	480	1107	1107	1476	858	-	-	1967	1574	5797 7729	1251	-	-
	five years	1418	1145	1308	1680		720	1753	1107	1476		-	-	3638	1574	5797 7729	1782	-	-
	ten years	4361	2889	1308	2880	2160	720	4244	1107	1476	5365	-	-	6423	1574	5797 7729	4376	-	-

1) three years of testing

2) Smaller figure: for spring wheat;
Larger figure: for winter wheat

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COMPARATIVE TABLE OF FEES TO BE PAID BY BREEDERS FOR CERTAIN IMPORTANT CROPS (IN SWISS FRANCS)

Potatoes

FEES	D			DK			F			NL			S			UK			
	A	B	C	A	B	C ¹⁾	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	
Application fee	164	109	-	480	480	-	215	369	-	215	-	-	393	-	-	188	-	-	
Testing fee in the first year of testing	218	218	436	240	240	240	369	369	738	375	-	-	787	787	9661	219	-	-	
Testing fee in the second year of testing	218	218	436	240	240	240	369	369	738	268	-	-	787	787	-	219	-	-	
Decision fee	164	164	-	-	-	-	154	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	125	-	-	
Lowest annual renewal fee	109	109	-	240	96	-	154	-	-	215	-	-	557	-	-	156	-	-	
Highest annual renewal fee	654	1090	-	240	144	-	554	-	-	644	-	-	557	-	-	281	-	-	
Sum of total fees (two years of testing) from date of application during first:	two years	764	709	872	960	960	480	1107	1107	1476	858	-	-	1967	1574	9661	751	-	-
	five years	1418	1145	872	1680		720	1753	1107	1476		-	-	3638	1574	9661	1095	-	-
	ten years	4361	2889	872	2880	2160	720	4244	1107	1476	5365	-	-	6423	1574	9661	2407	-	-

1) three years of testing

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COMPARATIVE TABLE OF FEES TO BE PAID BY BREEDERS FOR CERTAIN IMPORTANT CROPS (IN SWISS FRANCS)

Peas

FEES	D			DK			F			NL			S			UK			
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C ³⁾	A	B	C	
Application fee	164	109	-	480	240	-	215	369	-	215	-	-	393	-	-	188	-	-	
Testing fee in the first year of testing	218	218	436	240	240	480	369	369	-	375	-	-	524	524	⁹⁶⁶ 3865	250	-	-	
Testing fee in the second year of testing	218	218	436	240	240	480	369	369	-	268	-	-	524	524	-	250	-	-	
Decision fee	164	164	-	-	-	-	154	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	188	-	-	
Lowest annual renewal fee	55	55	-	240	24	-	154	-	-	215	-	-	557	-	-	156	-	-	
Highest annual renewal fee	327	545	-	240	48	-	554	-	-	644	-	-	557	-	-	281	-	-	
Sum of total fees (two years of testing) from date of application during first:	two years	764	709	872	960	960	960	1107	1107	-	858	-	-	1441	1148	⁹⁶⁶ 3865	876	-	-
	five years	1091	927	872	1680		960	1753	1107	-		-	-	3112	1148	⁹⁶⁶ 3865	1220	-	-
	ten years	2563	1799	872	2880	1080	960	4244	1107	-	5365	-	-	5897	1148	⁹⁶⁶ 3865	2464	-	-

3) Smaller figure: for grains;
Larger figure: for canning

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF FEES TO BE PAID BY BREEDERS FOR CERTAIN IMPORTANT CROPS (IN SWISS FRANCS)

Roses

FEES	D			DK			F			NL			S			UK			
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A ⁴⁾	B	C	A	B	C	A ⁶⁾	B	C	A ⁵⁾	B	C	
Application fee	164	-	-	480	-	-	185 215	-	-	215	-	-	393	-	-	125	-	-	
Testing fee in the first year of testing	327	-	-	480	-	-	369	-	-	375	-	-	()	-	-	188	-	-	
Testing fee in the second year of testing	327	-	-	480	-	-	369	-	-	268	-	-	()	-	-	188	-	-	
Decision fee	164	-	-	-	-	-	123 154	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	188	-	-	
Lowest annual renewal fee	109	-	-	240	-	-	62 154	-	-	215	-	-	557	-	-	188 156	-	-	
Highest annual renewal fee	654	-	-	240	-	-	185 554	-	-	644	-	-	557	-	-	281 313	-	-	
Sum of total fees (two years of testing) from date of application during first:	two years	982	-	-	1440	-	-	1046 1107	-	-	858	-	-	(393)	-	-	689	-	-
	five years	1418	-	-	2160	-	-	1292 1753	-	-	-	-	(2064)	-	-	1033 1095	-	-	
	ten years	4306	-	-	3360	-	-	2153 4244	-	-	5365	-	-	(4849)	-	-	2345 2564	-	-

4) Smaller figure: for the use in the garden or as a pot plant;
Larger figure: for use as cut flower

5) Smaller figure: in the open air;
Larger figure: in glasshouses

6) Testing fees same as those to be paid to other States from which test results are taken over; sum of fees does not include testing fees

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COMPARATIVE TABLE OF FEES TO BE PAID BY BREEDERS FOR CERTAIN IMPORTANT CROPS (IN SWISS FRANCS)

Apples

FEES	D			DK			F			NL			S			UK			
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A ⁶⁾	B	C	A	B	C	
Application fee	164	-	-	480	-	-	215	148	-	215	-	-	393	-	-	125	-	-	
Testing fee in the first year of testing	327	-	-	240	-	-	369	369	369	375	-	-	()	-	-	63	-	-	
Testing fee in the second year of testing	327	-	-	240	-	-	369	369	369	268	-	-	()	-	-	125	-	-	
Decision fee	164	-	-	-	-	-	154	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	188	-	-	
Lowest annual renewal fee	109	-	-	240	-	-	92	-	-	215	-	-	557	-	-	125	-	-	
Highest annual renewal fee	545	-	-	240	-	-	369	-	-	644	-	-	557	-	-	281	-	-	
Sum of total fees (two years of testing) from date of application during first:	two years	982	-	-	960	-	-	1107	886	738	858	-	-	(393)	-	-	481	-	-
	five years	1309	-	-	1680	-	-	1476	886	738		-	-	(2064)	-	-	731	-	-
	ten years	3706			2880	-	-	3014	886	738	5365	-	-	(4849)	-	-	1720	-	-

6) Testing fees same as those to be paid to other States from which test results are taken over; sum of fees does not include testing fees

[Table 9 follows]

Table 9

SUM OF TOTAL FEES* TO BE PAID BY BREEDERS FOR CERTAIN IMPORTANT CROPS

Species	Years from date of application	D	DK	F	NL	S	UK
WHEAT	2	1966	2400	2952	858	7764 ³⁾ 9696 ⁴⁾	1251
	5	3492 ¹⁰⁾		3598		9435 ³⁾ 11367 ⁴⁾	1782
	10	8179 ¹⁰⁾	5760 ¹⁰⁾	6089	5365	12220 ³⁾ 14152 ⁴⁾	4376
POTATOES	2	1966	2400	2952	858	11628	751
	5	3056		3598		12299	1095
	10	7743	5760 ¹⁰⁾	6089	5365	15084	2407
PEAS	2	1966	2880	1476	858	2507 ⁵⁾ 5406 ⁶⁾	876
	5	2521		2122		4178 ⁵⁾ 7077 ⁶⁾	1220
	10	5155	4920	4613	5365	6963 ⁵⁾ 9762 ⁶⁾	2464
ROSES	2	982	1440	1046 ¹⁾ 1107 ²⁾	858	(393) ⁷⁾	689
	5	1418	2160	1292 ¹⁾ 1753 ²⁾		(2064) ⁷⁾	1033 ⁸⁾ 1095 ⁹⁾
	10	4306	3360	2153 ¹⁾ 4244 ²⁾	5365	(4849) ⁷⁾	2345 ⁸⁾ 2564 ⁹⁾
APPLES	2	982	960	1993	858	(393) ⁷⁾	481
	5	1309	1680	2362		(2064) ⁷⁾	731
	10	3706	2880	3900	5365	(4849) ⁷⁾	1720

* Fees for plant breeders' rights and national listing including value test if applicable; with exception of Denmark testing fees are only counted once; if not otherwise indicated all figures include two years of testing. All fees are indicated in Swiss Francs.

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| 1) for use as garden rose | 6) peas for canning |
| 2) for use as cut flowers | 7) testing fee not included |
| 3) summer wheat | 8) roses in the open air |
| 4) winter wheat | 9) roses in glasshouses |
| 5) peas for grain | 10) three years of value testing |