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| **GUIDELINES** |
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| **FOR THE CONDUCT OF TESTS** |
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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 *Carthamus tinctorius* 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 seed. |

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

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|  | 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. |
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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 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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3.3.1 | 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 8.3. |
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| *3.4* | *Test Design* |
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| Each test should be designed to result in a total of at least 60 plants, which should be divided between at least 2 replicates. |

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| 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. |

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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 20 plants or parts of plants taken from each of 20 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 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. |

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| For the assessment of uniformity of seed-propagated varieties, a population standard of 3% and an acceptance probability of at least 95% should be applied. In the case of a sample size of 60 plants, 4 off-types are 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 seed 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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| Plant: height (characteristic 7) |

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| Petal: color (characteristic 9) |

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| Petal: change of color (characteristic 21) |

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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* |
|  | An explanation of the types of expression of characteristics (qualitative, quantitative and pseudo-qualitative) is provided in the General Introduction. |

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| *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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| **Nom du caractère en français** |

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| **Name des Merkmals auf Deutsch** |

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| **Nombre del carácter en español** |

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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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| See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8.1 |

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| Growth stage key See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8.3 |

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| 7. | Table of Characteristics/Tableau des caractères/Merkmalstabelle/Tabla de caracteres |
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| **First leaf: length** |

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| **Première feuille : longueur** |

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| **Erstes Blatt: Länge** |

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| **Primera hoja: longitud** |

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|  |  | very short | très courte | sehr kurz | muy corta |  | 1 |
|  |  | short | courte | kurz | corta |  | 2 |
|  |  | medium | moyenne | mittel | media | Kanariengelb | 3 |
|  |  | long | longue | lang | larga |  | 4 |
|  |  | very long | très longue | sehr lang | muy larga |  | 5 |
| **2.** |  | **QN** | **MS** |  |  | **16** |
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| **First leaf: width** |

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| **Première feuille : largeur** |

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| **Erstes Blatt: Breite** |

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| **Primera hoja: anchura** |

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|  |  | very narrow | très étroite | sehr schmal | muy estrecha |  | 1 |
|  |  | narrow | étroite | schmal | estrecha |  | 2 |
|  |  | medium | moyenne | mittel | media | Kanariengelb, Salem | 3 |
|  |  | broad | large | breit | ancha |  | 4 |
|  |  | very broad | très large | sehr breit | muy ancha |  | 5 |
| **3.** |  | **QN** | **MS** |  |  | **16** |
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| **First leaf: ratio length/width** |

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| **Première feuille : rapport longueur/largeur** |

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| **Erstes Blatt: Verhältnis Länge/Breite** |

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| **Primera hoja: relación longitud/anchura** |

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|  |  | very low | très bas | sehr klein | muy baja |  | 1 |
|  |  | low | bas | klein | baja |  | 2 |
|  |  | medium | moyen | mittel | media | Salem | 3 |
|  |  | high | élevé | groß | alta |  | 4 |
|  |  | very high | très élevé | sehr groß | muy alta |  | 5 |
| **4.** |  | **QN** | **VG** |  |  | **16** |
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| **First leaf: number of spines** |

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| **Première feuille : nombre d'épines** |

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| **Erstes Blatt: Anzahl Stacheln** |

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| **Primera hoja: número de espinas** |

 |  |  |
|  |  | absent or very few | absent ou très petit | fehlend oder sehr gering | ausente o muy bajo | Catima | 1 |
|  |  | few | petit | gering | bajo |  | 2 |
|  |  | medium | moyen | mittel | medio | Alarosa | 3 |
|  |  | many | élevé | hoch | alto |  | 4 |
|  |  | very many | très élevé | sehr hoch | muy alto |  | 5 |
| **5.** |  | **QN** | **VG** | **(+)** |  | **16** |
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| **First leaf: incisions** |

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| **Première feuille : incisions** |

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| **Erstes Blatt: Einschnitte** |

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| **Primera hoja: incisiones** |

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|  |  | absent or very weak | absentes ou très faibles | fehlend oder sehr gering | ausentes o muy débiles | Catima | 1 |
|  |  | weak | faibles | gering | débiles | Orange Ball | 2 |
|  |  | medium | moyennes | mittel | medias |  | 3 |
|  |  | strong | fortes | stark | fuertes |  | 4 |
|  |  | very strong | très fortes | sehr stark | muy fuertes |  | 5 |
| **6.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MG** | **(+)** |  |  |
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| **Time of flowering** |

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| **Époque de floraison** |

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| **Zeitpunkt der Blüte** |

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| **Época de floración** |

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|  |  | very early | très précoce | sehr früh | muy temprana |  | 1 |
|  |  | very early to early | très précoce à précoce | sehr früh bis früh | muy temprana a temprana |  | 2 |
|  |  | early | précoce | früh | temprana | Orange Ball | 3 |
|  |  | early to medium | précoce à moyenne | früh bis mittel | temprana a media |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium | moyenne | mittel | media | Calin | 5 |
|  |  | medium to late | moyenne à tardive | mittel bis spät | media a tardía | Catima | 6 |
|  |  | late | tardive | spät | tardía |  | 7 |
|  |  | late to very late | tardive à très tardive | spät bis sehr spät | tardía a muy tardía |  | 8 |
|  |  | very late | très tardive | sehr spät | muy tardía |  | 9 |
| **7.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS** |  |  | **61-65** |
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| **Plant: height** |

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| **Plante : hauteur** |

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| **Pflanze: Höhe** |

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| **Planta: altura** |

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|  |  | very short | très basse | sehr niedrig | muy baja |  | 1 |
|  |  | very short to short | très basse à basse | sehr niedrig bis niedrig | muy baja a baja |  | 2 |
|  |  | short | basse | niedrig | baja |  | 3 |
|  |  | short to medium | basse à moyenne | niedrig bis mittel | baja a media | Goldschopf, Orange Ball | 4 |
|  |  | medium | moyenne | mittel | media |  | 5 |
|  |  | medium to tall | moyenne à haute | mittel bis hoch | media a alta |  | 6 |
|  |  | tall | haute | hoch | alta | Catima | 7 |
|  |  | tall to very tall | haute à très haute | hoch bis sehr hoch | alta a muy alta |  | 8 |
|  |  | very tall | très haute | sehr hoch | muy alta |  | 9 |
| **8.** |  | **QN** | **MS** |  |  | **61-65** |
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| **Plant: length of longest side branch** |

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| **Plante : longueur de la branche latérale la plus longue** |

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| **Pflanze: Länge des längsten Seitentriebs** |

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| **Planta: longitud de la rama lateral más larga** |

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|  |  | very short | très courte | sehr kurz | muy corta |  | 1 |
|  |  | very short to short | très courte à courte | sehr kurz bis kurz | muy corta a corta |  | 2 |
|  |  | short | courte | kurz | corta |  | 3 |
|  |  | short to medium | courte à moyenne | kurz bis mittel | corta a media | Goldschopf | 4 |
|  |  | medium | moyenne | mittel | media |  | 5 |
|  |  | medium to long | moyenne à longue | mittel bis lang | media a larga | Catima | 6 |
|  |  | long | longue | lang | larga |  | 7 |
|  |  | long to very long | longue à très longue | lang bis sehr lang | larga a muy larga |  | 8 |
|  |  | very long | très longue | sehr lang | muy larga |  | 9 |
| **9.** | **(\*)** | **PQ** | **VG** |  |  | **61-65** |
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| **Petal: color** |

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| **Pétale : couleur** |

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| **Blütenblatt: Farbe** |

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| **Pétalo: color** |

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|  |  | white | blanc | weiß | blanco |  | 1 |
|  |  | yellow | jaune | gelb | amarillo | Calin | 2 |
|  |  | orange | orange | orange | naranja | Catima | 3 |
| **10.** |  | **QN** | **VG** |  |  | **61-65** |
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| **Leaf: intensity of green color** |

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| **Feuille : intensité de la couleur verte** |

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| **Blatt: Intensität der Grünfärbung** |

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| **Hoja: intensidad del color verde** |

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|  |  | very light | très claire | sehr hell | muy clara |  | 1 |
|  |  | light | claire | hell | clara |  | 2 |
|  |  | medium | moyenne | mittel | media | Catima | 3 |
|  |  | dark | foncée | dunkel | oscura | Alarosa | 4 |
|  |  | very dark | très foncée | sehr dunkel | muy oscura |  | 5 |
| **11.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS** |  | **(a)** | **61-65** |
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| **Leaf: length** |

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| **Feuille : longueur** |

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| **Blatt: Länge** |

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| **Hoja: longitud** |

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|  |  | very short | très courte | sehr kurz | muy corta |  | 1 |
|  |  | very short to short | très courte à courte | sehr kurz bis kurz | muy corta a corta |  | 2 |
|  |  | short | courte | kurz | corta |  | 3 |
|  |  | short to medium | courte à moyenne | kurz bis mittel | corta a media | Goldschopf | 4 |
|  |  | medium | moyenne | mittel | media |  | 5 |
|  |  | medium to long | moyenne à longue | mittel bis lang | media a larga | Alarosa | 6 |
|  |  | long | longue | lang | larga | Calin, Salem | 7 |
|  |  | long to very long | longue à très longue | lang bis sehr lang | larga a muy larga |  | 8 |
|  |  | very long | très longue | sehr lang | muy larga |  | 9 |
| **12.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS** |  | **(a)** | **61-65** |
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| **Leaf: width** |

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| **Feuille : largeur** |

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| **Blatt: Breite** |

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| **Hoja: anchura** |

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|  |  | very narrow | très étroite | sehr schmal | muy estrecha |  | 1 |
|  |  | very narrow to narrow | très étroite à étroite | sehr schmal bis schmal | muy estrecha a estrecha |  | 2 |
|  |  | narrow | étroite | schmal | estrecha |  | 3 |
|  |  | narrow to medium | étroite à moyenne | schmal bis mittel | estrecha a media | Alarosa | 4 |
|  |  | medium | moyenne | mittel | media | Orange Ball | 5 |
|  |  | medium to broad | moyenne à large | mittel bis breit | media a ancha | Salem | 6 |
|  |  | broad | large | breit | ancha |  | 7 |
|  |  | broad to very broad | large à très large | breit bis sehr breit | ancha muy ancha |  | 8 |
|  |  | very broad | très large | sehr breit | muy ancha |  | 9 |
| **13.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS** |  | **(a)** | **61-65** |
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| **Leaf: ratio length/width** |

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| **Feuille : rapport longueur/largeur** |

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| **Blatt: Verhältnis Länge/Breite** |

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| **Hoja: relación longitud/anchura** |

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|  |  | very low | très bas | sehr klein | muy baja |  | 1 |
|  |  | very low to low | très bas à bas | sehr klein bis klein | muy baja a baja |  | 2 |
|  |  | low | bas | klein | baja |  | 3 |
|  |  | low to medium | bas à moyen | klein bis mittel | baja a media | Goldschopf | 4 |
|  |  | medium | moyen | mittel | media | Salem | 5 |
|  |  | medium to high | moyen à élevé | mittel bis groß | media a alta | Calin | 6 |
|  |  | high | élevé | groß | alta |  | 7 |
|  |  | high to very high | élevé à très élevé | groß bis sehr groß | alta a muy alta |  | 8 |
|  |  | very high | très élevé | sehr groß | muy alta |  | 9 |
| **14.** |  | **PQ** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(a)** | **61-65** |
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| **Leaf: shape** |

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| **Feuille : forme** |

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| **Blatt: Form** |

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| **Hoja: forma** |

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|  |  | oblong | oblongue | rechteckig | oblonga | Zanzibar | 1 |
|  |  | ovate | ovale | eiförmig | oval |  | 2 |
|  |  | elliptic | elliptique | elliptisch | elíptica |  | 3 |
|  |  | obovate | obovale | verkehrt eiförmig | oboval | Calin, Salem | 4 |
| **15.** |  | **QN** | **VG** |  | **(a)** | **61-65** |
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| **Leaf: number of spines** |

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| **Feuille : nombre d'épines** |

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| **Blatt: Anzahl Stacheln** |

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| **Hoja: número de espinas** |

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|  |  | absent or very few | absent ou très petit | fehlend oder sehr gering | ausente o muy bajo | Catima | 1 |
|  |  | few | petit | gering | bajo | Orange Ball, Zanzibar | 2 |
|  |  | medium | moyen | mittel | medio |  | 3 |
|  |  | many | élevé | hoch | alto |  | 4 |
|  |  | very many | très élevé | sehr hoch | muy alto |  | 5 |
| **16.** |  | **QN** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(a)** | **61-65** |
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| **Leaf: incisions** |

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| **Feuille : incisions** |

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| **Blatt: Einschnitte** |

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| **Hoja: incisiones** |

 |  |  |
|  |  | absent or very weak | absentes ou très faibles | fehlend oder sehr gering | ausentes o muy débiles | Catima | 1 |
|  |  | weak | faibles | gering | débiles | Calin, Goldschopf, Kanariengelb | 2 |
|  |  | medium | moyennes | mittel | medias |  | 3 |
|  |  | strong | fortes | stark | fuertes | Alarosa | 4 |
|  |  | very strong | très fortes | sehr stark | muy fuertes |  | 5 |
| **17.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS** | **(+)** | **(b)** | **61-65** |
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| **Bract: length** |

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| **Bractée : longueur** |

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| **Hochblatt: Länge** |

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| **Bráctea: longitud** |

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|  |  | very short | très courte | sehr kurz | muy corta |  | 1 |
|  |  | very short to short | très courte à courte | sehr kurz bis kurz | muy corta a corta |  | 2 |
|  |  | short | courte | kurz | corta |  | 3 |
|  |  | short to medium | courte à moyenne | kurz bis mittel | corta a media | Catima | 4 |
|  |  | medium | moyenne | mittel | media | Zanzibar | 5 |
|  |  | medium to long | moyenne à longue | mittel bis lang | media a larga |  | 6 |
|  |  | long | longue | lang | larga | Alarosa, Salem | 7 |
|  |  | long to very long | longue à très longue | lang bis sehr lang | larga a muy larga |  | 8 |
|  |  | very long | très longue | sehr lang | muy larga |  | 9 |
| **18.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS** | **(+)** | **(b)** | **61-65** |
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| **Bract: width** |

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| **Bractée : largeur** |

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| **Hochblatt: Breite** |

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| **Bráctea: anchura** |

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|  |  | very narrow | très étroite | sehr schmal | muy estrecha |  | 1 |
|  |  | very narrow to narrow | très étroite à étroite | sehr schmal bis schmal | muy estrecha a estrecha |  | 2 |
|  |  | narrow | étroite | schmal | estrecha |  | 3 |
|  |  | narrow to medium | étroite à moyenne | schmal bis mittel | estrecha a media | Calin | 4 |
|  |  | medium | moyenne | mittel | media | Catima | 5 |
|  |  | medium to broad | moyenne à large | mittel bis breit | media a ancha | Zanzibar | 6 |
|  |  | broad | large | breit | ancha |  | 7 |
|  |  | broad to very broad | large à très large | breit bis sehr breit | ancha a muy ancha |  | 8 |
|  |  | very broad | très large | sehr breit | muy ancha |  | 9 |
| **19.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **MS** |  | **(b)** | **61-65** |
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| **Bract: ratio length/width** |

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| **Bractée : rapport longueur/largeur** |

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| **Hochblatt: Verhältnis Länge/Breite** |

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| **Bráctea: relación longitud/anchura** |

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|  |  | very low | très bas | sehr klein | muy baja |  | 1 |
|  |  | very low to low | très bas à bas | sehr klein bis klein | muy baja a baja |  | 2 |
|  |  | low | bas | klein | baja |  | 3 |
|  |  | low to medium | bas à moyen | klein bis mittel | baja a media | Catima, Goldschopf, Zanzibar | 4 |
|  |  | medium | moyen | mittel | media | Calin | 5 |
|  |  | medium to high | moyen à élevé | mittel bis groß | media a alta |  | 6 |
|  |  | high | élevé | groß | alta |  | 7 |
|  |  | high to very high | élevé à très élevé | groß bis sehr groß | alta a muy alta |  | 8 |
|  |  | very high | très élevé | sehr groß | muy alta |  | 9 |
| **20.** | **(\*)** | **QN** | **VG** |  | **(b)** | **61-65** |
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| **Bract: number of spines** |

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| **Bractée : nombre d'épines** |

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| **Hochblatt: Anzahl Stacheln** |

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| **Bráctea: número de espinas** |

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|  |  | absent or very few | absent ou très petit | fehlend oder sehr gering | ausente o muy bajo | Catima | 1 |
|  |  | very few to few | très petit à petit | sehr gering bis gering | muy bajo a bajo |  | 2 |
|  |  | few | petit | gering | bajo | Calin | 3 |
|  |  | few to medium | petit à moyen | gering bis mittel | bajo a medio |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium | moyen | mittel | medio |  | 5 |
|  |  | medium to many | moyen à élevé | mittel bis hoch | medio a alto | Salem | 6 |
|  |  | many | élevé | hoch | alto | Alarosa | 7 |
|  |  | many to very many | élevé à très élevé | hoch bis sehr hoch | alto a muy alto |  | 8 |
|  |  | very many | très élevé | sehr groß | muy alto |  | 9 |
| **21.** | **(\*)** | **QL** | **VG** |  |  | **65-67** |
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| **Petal: change of color** |

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| **Pétale : changement de la couleur** |

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| **Blütenblatt: Änderung der Farbe** |

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| **Pétalo: cambio de color** |

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|  |  | absent | absent | fehlend | ausente | Kanariengelb | 1 |
|  |  | present | présent | vorhanden | presente | Alarosa, Catima | 9 |
| **22.** |  | **QN** | **MG** |  |  | **99** |
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| **Seed: 1000 seed weight** |

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| **Graine : poids de 1.000 grains** |

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| **Samen: Tausendkorngewicht** |

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| **Semilla: peso de 1000 semillas** |

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|  |  | very low | très bas | sehr niedrig | muy bajo |  | 1 |
|  |  | very low to low | très bas à bas | sehr niedrig bis niedrig | muy bajo a bajo |  | 2 |
|  |  | low | bas | niedrig | bajo |  | 3 |
|  |  | low to medium | bas à moyen | niedrig bis mittel | bajo a medio |  | 4 |
|  |  | medium | moyen | mittel | medio | Calin, Salem | 5 |
|  |  | medium to high | moyen à élevé | mittel bis hoch | medio a alto |  | 6 |
|  |  | high | élevé | hoch | alto | Catima | 7 |
|  |  | high to very high | élevé à très élevé | hoch bis sehr hoch | alto a muy alto |  | 8 |
|  |  | very high | très élevé | sehr hoch | muy alto |  | 9 |

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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 on leaves from the fourth node from the top of the main stem. |

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| Observations should be made on inner bracts.wordml://76.png |

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| *8.2* |

 | *Explanations for individual characteristics* |
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| Ad. 5: First leaf: incisions

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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| absent or very weak | weak | medium | strong | very strong |

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| Ad. 6: Time of floweringTime of flowering is reached when 50 % of plants have at least one open flower head. |

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| Ad. 14: Leaf: shape

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| Ad. 16: Leaf: incisionsSee Ad. 5 |

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| Ad. 17: Bract: length

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| Ad. 18: Bract: widthSee Ad. 17 |

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| *Phenological growth stages based on the general BBCH-scale (Meier, 2018)* Principal growth stage 1: Leaf development10:  Cotelydons completely unfolded12:  2 leaves unfolded14:  4 leaves unfolded16:  6 leaves unfolded...Principle growth stage 6: Flowering61:  Beginning of flowering: 10 % of flowers open62:  20 % of flowers open63:  30 % of flowers open64:  40 % of flowers open65:  Full flowering: 50 % of flowers open66:  -67:  Flower declining: majority of petals fallen or dry68:  -69:  End of flowering: fruit set visiblePrinciple growth stage 9: Senescence99:  Harvested seed  |

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| 9. | Literature |

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| 10. | Technical Questionnaire |

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|  | Application date:(not to be filled in by the applicant) |
| TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIREto be completed in connection with an application for plant breeders' rights |

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| 1. | Subject of the Technical Questionnaire |
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 | Botanical name |

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| *Carthamus tinctorius* L. |

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 | Common name |

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| Safflower |

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| 2. | Applicant |
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|  | Fax No. |  |  |
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|  | E-mail address |  |  |
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|  | Breeder (if different from |  |  |
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| 3. | Proposed denomination and breeder's reference |
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|  | Proposed denomination |  |  |
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|  | Breeder's reference |  |  |
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| #4. |

 | Information on the breeding scheme and propagation of the variety |
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|  | 4.1 | Breeding scheme |
|  | Variety resulting from:  |
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| Crossing  |

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| controlled cross  |

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| (please state parent variety)(…………………..……………..…)                          x        (……………..…………………..…)female parent                                                                     male parent |

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| (b) |

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| partially known cross  |

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| (please state known parent variety(ies))(…………………..……………..…)                          x        (……………..…………………..…)female parent                                                                     male parent |

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| (c) |

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| unknown cross  |

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| Mutation (please state parent variety) |

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| 4.1.3 |

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| Discovery and development (please state where and when discovered and how developed) |

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 | Other(Please provide details) | [ ] |
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|  | 4.2 | Method of propagating the variety |
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| Seed-propagated varieties |

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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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|  | Characteristics | Example Varieties | Note |
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| **Time of flowering** |

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| **Plant: height** |

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| **Petal: color** |

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| **Petal: change of color** |

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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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| *Time of flowering* |

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| *late* |

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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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| 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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