



European Union
Community Plant Variety Office

PROTOCOL FOR DISTINCTNESS, UNIFORMITY AND STABILITY TESTS

Lavandula L.

LAVANDULA

UPOV Species Code: LAVAN

Adopted on 18th November 2004

I - SUBJECT OF THE PROTOCOL

The protocol describes the technical procedures to be followed in order to meet the requirements of Council Regulation 2100/94 on Community Plant Variety Rights. The technical procedures have been agreed by the Administrative Council and are based on general UPOV Document TG/1/3 and UPOV Guideline TG/194/1 dated 17th April 2002 for the conduct of tests for Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability. This protocol applies to all varieties of *Lavandula L.* of the family *Labiatae (Lamiaceae)*.

However, this protocol is particularly adapted to the following sections:

Lavandula section:

Infertile bracts at the top of the spike absent. Bracteole at the base of flower present.

- *L. angustifolia* Mill. (English lavender, Lavande) (syn. *L. vera* DC., *L. officinalis* Chaix)
- *L. x burnatii* Briq. (Spike Lavender, Lavandin) (syn. *L. x hybrida* Reverchon)
- *L. latifolia* Medik. (aspic) (syn. *L. spica* L.)

Stoechas section:

Petal like infertile bracts at the top of the spike present. Bracteole at the base of the flower absent.

- *L. stoechas* L. (Spanish lavender, lavande à toupet) (including syn. *L. pedunculata* and *L. stoechas* L. subsp. *canariensis* (Boiss.) Rozeira)
- *L. viridis* L'Herit.
- *L. dentata* L. (French lavender)

Pterostoechas section:

Infertile bracts at the top of the spike absent. Multi-branched stems with wing like corolla. Bracteole at the base of the flower absent.

- *L. multifida* L.
- *L. pinnata* L.

Intersectional crosses:

- *L. x allardii*
- *L. x heterophylla*

II - SUBMISSION OF PLANT MATERIAL

1. The Community Plant Variety Office (CPVO) is responsible for informing the applicant of

- the closing date for the receipt of plant material;
- the minimum amount and quality of plant material required;
- the examination office to which material is to be sent.

The applicant is responsible for ensuring compliance with any customs and plant health requirements.

2. Final dates for receipt of documentation and material by the Examination Office

The final dates for receipt of requests, technical questionnaires and the final date or submission period for plant material will be decided by the CPVO and each Examination Office chosen.

The Examination Office is responsible for immediately acknowledging the receipt of requests for testing, and technical questionnaires. If no or unsatisfactory plant material is submitted the CPVO should be informed as soon as possible.

3. Plant material requirements

Information with respect to closing dates and submission requirements of plant material for the technical examination of varieties can be found on the CPVO website (www.cpvo.europa.eu) and in the special Issue S2 of the Official Gazette of the Office published yearly in the month of September.

Quality:..... The plant material supplied should be visibly healthy, not lacking in vigour or affected by any important pest or disease, especially virus.

The plant material must not have undergone any treatment unless the CPVO and the examination office allow or request such treatment. If it has been treated, full details of the treatment must be given

Labelling of sample: - Species
- File number of the application allocated by the CPVO
- Breeder's reference
- Examination reference (if known)
- Name of applicant
- The phrase "On request of the CPVO".

III - CONDUCT OF TESTS

1. Variety collection

A variety collection will be maintained for the purpose of establishing distinctness of the candidate varieties in test. A variety collection may contain both living material and descriptive information. A variety will be included in a reference collection only if plant material is available to make a technical examination.

Pursuant to Article 7 of Council Regulation No. 2100/94, the basis for a collection should be the following:

- varieties listed or protected at the EU level or at least in one of the EEA Member States;
- varieties protected in other UPOV Member States;
- any other variety in common knowledge.

It is the responsibility of Examination Office to keep the variety collection up to date.

2. Material to be examined

Candidate varieties will be directly compared with other candidates for Community plant variety rights tested at the same Examination Office, and with appropriate varieties in the variety collection. When necessary an Examination Office may also include other candidates and varieties.

3. Characteristics to be used

The characteristics to be used in DUS tests and preparation of descriptions shall be those referred to in Annex 1. All the characteristics shall be used, providing that observation of a characteristic is not rendered impossible by the expression of any other characteristic, or the expression of a characteristic is prevented by the environmental conditions under which the test is conducted. In the later case, the CPVO should be informed. In addition the existence of some other regulation e.g. plant health, may make the observation of the characteristic impossible.

The Administrative Council empowers the President, in accordance with Article 23 of Commission Regulation N° 1239/95, to insert additional characteristics and their expressions in respect of a variety.

4. Grouping of varieties

The varieties and candidates to be compared will be divided into groups to facilitate the assessment of distinctness. Characteristics which are suitable for grouping purposes are those which are known from experience not to vary, or to vary only slightly, within a variety and which in their various states of expression are fairly evenly distributed throughout the collection. In the case of continuous grouping characteristics overlapping states of expression between adjacent groups is required to reduce the risks of incorrect allocation of candidates to groups. The characters used for grouping are the following:

- (a) Plant: growth habit (characteristic 1)
- (b) Flower: size (characteristic 2)
- (c) Leaf: incisions of margin (characteristic 7)
- (d) Flowering stem: lateral branching (above foliage) (characteristic 13)
- (e) Spike: presence of infertile bracts (characteristic 28)
- (f) Stoechas section only: Spike: main colour of infertile bracts (characteristic 31)
with the following groups:
 - Gr. 1: white
 - Gr. 2: green
 - Gr. 3: pink
 - Gr. 4: light purple
 - Gr. 5: dark purple
 - Gr. 6: violet
- (g) Corolla: colour (characteristic 35)

5. Trial designs and growing conditions

The minimum duration of tests will normally be one growing cycle if the results on distinctness and uniformity are conclusive. Tests will be carried out under conditions ensuring normal growth. The size of the plots will be such that plants or parts of plants may be removed for measuring and counting without prejudice to the observations which must be made up to the end of the growing period.

The test design is as follows:

As a minimum, each test should include a total of 10 plants for vegetatively propagated varieties or 20 plants for seed propagated varieties. Separate plots for observation and for measuring can only be used if they have been subject to similar environmental conditions.

For vegetatively propagated varieties, all observations determined by measurement or counting should be made on 10 plants or parts taken from each of 10 plants during flowering time.

For seed propagated varieties, all observations determined by measurement or counting should be made on 20 plants or parts taken from each of 20 plants during flowering time.

The test should normally be conducted at one place.

The test should be carried out in the glasshouse / open, under conditions ensuring normal growth depending on species and type.

6. Special tests

In accordance with Article 83(3) of Council Regulation No. 2100/94 an applicant may claim either in the Technical Questionnaire or during the test that a candidate has a characteristic which would be helpful in establishing distinctness. If such a claim is made and is supported by reliable technical data, a special test may be undertaken providing that a technically acceptable test procedure can be devised.

Special tests will be undertaken, with the agreement of the President of CPVO, where distinctness is unlikely to be shown using the characters listed in the protocol.

7. Standards for decisions

a) Distinctness

A candidate variety will be considered to be distinct if it meets the requirements of Article 7 of Council Regulation No. 2100/94.

b) Uniformity

For the assessment of uniformity of vegetatively propagated varieties, a population standard of 1% with an acceptance probability of at least 95% should be applied.

For a sample size between 6 and 35 plants for vegetatively propagated varieties, only 1 off-type is allowed.

For the assessment of uniformity of seed propagated open pollinated and hybrid varieties, relative uniformity standards should be applied.

c) Stability

A candidate will be considered to be sufficiently stable when there is no evidence to indicate that it lacks uniformity.

IV - REPORTING OF RESULTS

After each growing cycle the results will be summarised and reported to the CPVO in the form of a UPOV model interim report in which any problems will be indicated under the headings distinctness, uniformity and stability. Candidates may meet the DUS standards after one growing cycle but in some cases two or more growing cycles may be required. When tests are completed the results will be sent by the Examination Office to the CPVO in the form of a UPOV model final report.

If it is considered that the candidate complies with the DUS standards, the final report will be accompanied by a variety description in the format recommended by UPOV. If not the reasons for failure and a summary of the test results will be included with the final report.

The CPVO must receive interim reports and final reports by the date agreed between the CPVO and the examination office.

Interim reports and final examination reports shall be signed by the responsible member of the staff of the Examination Office and shall expressly acknowledge the exclusive rights of disposal of CPVO.

V - LIAISON WITH THE APPLICANT

If problems arise during the course of the test the CPVO should be informed immediately so that the information can be passed on to the applicant. Subject to prior agreement, the applicant may be directly informed at the same time as the CPVO particularly if a visit to the trial is advisable.

The interim report and final report shall be sent by the Examination Office to the CPVO.

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ANNEX I

TABLE OF CHARACTERISTICS

CPVO N°	UPOV N°	Characteristics	Examples	Note
1. (+)	1. (+)	Plant: growth habit		
		upright	Folgate (L), James Compton (S/Ps)	1
		bushy	Twickel Purple (L), Pippa White (S/Ps)	2
		globular	Munstead (L), Major (S/Ps)	3
		spreading		4
2.	2.	Plant: size		
		very small	Nana Alba (L)	1
		small	Maillette (L), Evelyn Cadzow (S/Ps)	3
		medium	Major (S/Ps)	5
		large	Capsicclair (L), Willowbridge Snow (S/Ps)	7
		very large	Super (L), Marshwood (S/Ps)	9
3.	3.	Plant: intensity of green colour of foliage		
		light	Super (L), Pippa White (S/Ps)	3
		medium	Twickel Purple (L), Sugar Plum (S/Ps)	5
		dark	Grosso (L), Helmsdale (S/Ps)	7

CPVO N°	UPOV N°	Characteristics	Examples	Note	
4.	4.	Plant: intensity of grey tinge of foliage	absent or very weak	Grosso (L), Sugar Plum (S/Ps)	1
			weak	James Compton (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Avonview (S/Ps), Tickled Pink (S/Ps)	5
			strong	Hazel (S/Ps)	7
			very strong	Reydovan (L), Pukehou (S/Ps)	9
5.	5.	Plant: attitude of outer flowering stems (at full flowering)	erect	Reydovan (L), James Compton (S/Ps)	1
			semi-erect	Grosso (L), Marshwood (S/Ps)	2
			spreading	Twickel Purple (L), Pippa White (S/Ps)	3
6.	6.	Plant: density (at full flowering)	open	Twickel Purple (L), Pippa White (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Abrial (L), Greenwings (S/Ps)	5
			dense	Reydovan (L), Helmsdale (S/Ps)	7
7.	7.	Leaf: incisions of margin	absent	Abrial (L)	1
			weakly expressed	Pure Harmony (S/Ps)	2
			strongly expressed	Sidonie (S/Ps)	3

CPVO N°	UPOV N°	Characteristics	Examples	Note	
8. (+)	8. (+)	Flowering stem: length (including spike)	very short	Lady (L), Clair de Lune (S/Ps)	1
			short	Munstead (L), Sugar Plum (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Abrial (L), Helmsdale (S/Ps)	5
			long	Reydovan (L), James Compton (S/Ps)	7
			very long	Capsclair (L)	9
9.	9.	Flowering stem: thickness at middle third (not including the spike)	very thin	Lady (L), James Compton (S/Ps)	1
			thin	Maillette (L), Sugar Plum (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Grosso (L), Marshwood (S/Ps)	5
			thick	Reydovan (L)	7
			very thick		9
10.	10.	Flowering stem: intensity of green colour	very light	Capsclair (L), Azur (L)	1
			light	Super (L), Pippa White (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Grosso (L), Tickled Pink (S/Ps)	5
			dark	36.70 (L)	7
			very dark		9
11.	11.	<u>Lavandula section only:</u> Flowering stem: rigidity of basal part	weak	Capsclair (L)	3
			medium	Grosso (L)	5
			strong	Reydovan (L)	7

CPVO N°	UPOV N°	Characteristics	Examples	Note	
12.	12.	<u>Stoechas and Pterostoechas sections only:</u> Flowering stem: intensity of pubescence	weak	Major (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Sugar Plum (S/Ps)	5
			strong	Marshwood (S/Ps)	7
13.	13.	Flowering stem: lateral branching (above foliage)	absent	Lady (L), Clozone (L), Blue River (L)	1
			present	Grosso (L)	9
14.	14.	Flowering stem: number of lateral branches (as for 13)	few	Reydovan (S/Ps) , Willowbridge White (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Grosso (L), Clair de Lune (S/Ps)	5
			many	Bogone (L), Azur (L)	7
15.	15.	Flowering stem: length of longest lateral branch above foliage (including spike)	very short	Maillette (L)	1
			short	Reydovan (L), Avice Hill (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Capsicclair (L)	5
			long	Grosso (L)	7
			very long		9

CPVO N°	UPOV N°	Characteristics	Examples	Note	
16.	16.	Spike: maximum width	very narrow	Grey Hedge (L), Pippa White (S/Ps)	1
			narrow	Hidcote Pink (L), Major (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Grosso (L), Marshwood (S/Ps)	5
			broad	Pelleret 18 (L)	7
			very broad	Reydovan (L), Hidcote Giant (L)	9
17. (+)	17. (+)	Spike: total length (including first whorl)	very short	Lady (L), James Compton (S/Ps)	1
			short	Munstead (L), Major (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Grosso (L), Pippa White (S/Ps)	5
			long	Azur (L)	7
			very long		9
18. (+)	18. (+)	<u>Lavandula section only:</u> Spike: length from second whorl	very short	Lady (L)	1
			short	Capsicclair (L)	3
			medium	Grosso (L)	5
			long	B 110 (L)	7
			very long		9
19.	19.	<u>Lavandula section only:</u> Spike: number of whorls (excluding first whorl)	few	Reydovan (L)	3
			medium	Capsicclair (L)	5
			many	Jaubert (L)	7

CPVO N°	UPOV N°	Characteristics	Examples	Note	
20. (+)	20. (+)	<u>Lavandula section only:</u> Spike: distance between whorls (as for 19)	very short	Lady (L)	1
			short	Grosso (L)	3
			medium	Abrial (L)	5
			long	Super (L)	7
			very long		9
21. (+)	21. (+)	Spike: shape	narrow conical	Grey Hedge (L)	1
			conical	Abrial (L), Silver Ghost (S/Ps)	2
			truncate conical	Reydovan (L), Tickled Pink (S/Ps)	3
			cylindrical	36.70 (L), Willowbridge White (S/Ps)	4
			fusiform	Lady (L), Sidonie (S/Ps)	5
			narrow trullate	Yuulong (L)	6
22.	22.	Spike: number of flowers	few	Capsclair (L)	3
			medium	Abrial (L), James Compton (S/Ps)	5
			many	Suad 32 (L), Willowbridge White (S/Ps)	7
23.	23.	<u>Lavandula section only:</u> Spike: number of flowers on apical whorl	few	Abrial (L)	3
			medium	Reydovan (L)	5
			many	36.70 (L)	7

CPVO N°	UPOV N°	Characteristics	Examples	Note	
24. (+)	24. (+)	Spike: width of fertile bracts	narrow	Grey Hedge (L), Sidonie (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Impress Purple (L), Roxlea Park (S/Ps)	5
			broad	Munstead (L), Willowbridge White (S/Ps)	7
25. (+)	25. (+)	<u>Stoechas and Pterostoechas sections only:</u> Spike: main colour of fertile bracts	white	Silver Ghost (S/Ps)	1
			green	Pippa White (S/Ps)	2
			violet	Blue Canaries (S/Ps)	3
			red purple	Roxlea Park (S/Ps)	4
			brown	Sidonie (S/Ps)	5
26.	26.	<u>Lavandula section only:</u> Spike: presence of bracteole	sometimes present	Munstead (L)	1
			always present	Impress Purple (L)	2
27.	27.	<u>Lavandula section only:</u> Spike: length of bracteole	short	Pacific Blue (L)	3
			medium	Munstead (L)	5
			long	Super (L)	7
28. (+)	28. (+)	Spike: presence of infertile bracts	absent	Abrial (L), Maillette (L)	1
			present	James Compton (S/Ps)	9

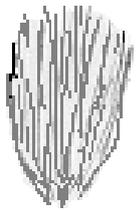
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29. (+)	29. (+)	<u>Stoechas section only:</u> Spike: length of infertile bracts	short	Evelyn Cadzow (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Tickled Pink (S/Ps)	5
			long	James Compton (S/Ps)	7
30.	30.	<u>Stoechas section only:</u> Spike: shape of infertile bracts	linear	James Compton (S/Ps)	1
			elliptic	Pippa White (S/Ps)	2
			oblong	Pukehou (S/Ps)	3
			oblanceolate	Tickled Pink (S/Ps)	4
			obovate	Plum (S/Ps)	5
			spatulate	Otto Quast (S/Ps)	6
31.	31.	<u>Stoechas section only:</u> Spike: main colour of infertile bracts	RHS Colour Chart (indicate reference number)		
32.	32.	<u>Stoechas section only:</u> Spike: undulation of margin of infertile bracts	weak	Greenwings (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Helmsdale (S/Ps)	5
			strong	Merle (S/Ps)	7
33. (+)	33. (+)	Flower: colour of calyx	greenish	Azur (L), Pippa White (S/Ps)	1
			purplish	Regal Splendour (S/Ps)	2
			violet	Grosso (L)	3
			greyish	Jaubert (L)	4

CPVO N°	UPOV N°	Characteristics	Examples	Note	
34.	34.	Flower: pubescence of calyx	weak	Capsclair (L), Sidonie (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Avic Hill (L), Willowbridge White (S/Ps)	5
			strong	Reydovan (L), Roxlea Park (S/Ps)	7
35. (+)	35. (+)	Corolla: colour	white	Nana alba (L), Willowbridge Snow (S/Ps)	1
			pink	Rosea (L)	2
			purple	Munstead (L), Regal Splendour (S/Ps)	3
			violet	Roxlea Park (S/Ps), Twickel Purple (L)	4
			light blue	Super (L)	5
			medium blue	Abrial (L), Willowbridge Calico (S/Ps)	6
			dark blue	Grosso (L), Sidonie (S/Ps)	7
36.	36.	Time of beginning of flowering	early	Azur (L), James Compton (S/Ps)	3
			medium	Sumian (L), Pippa White (S/Ps)	5
			late	Abrial (L)	7

EXPLANATIONS AND METHODS

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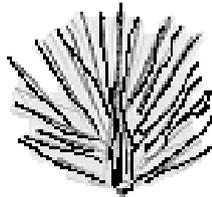
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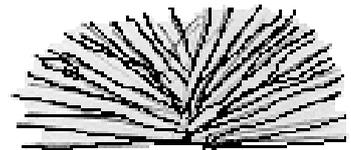
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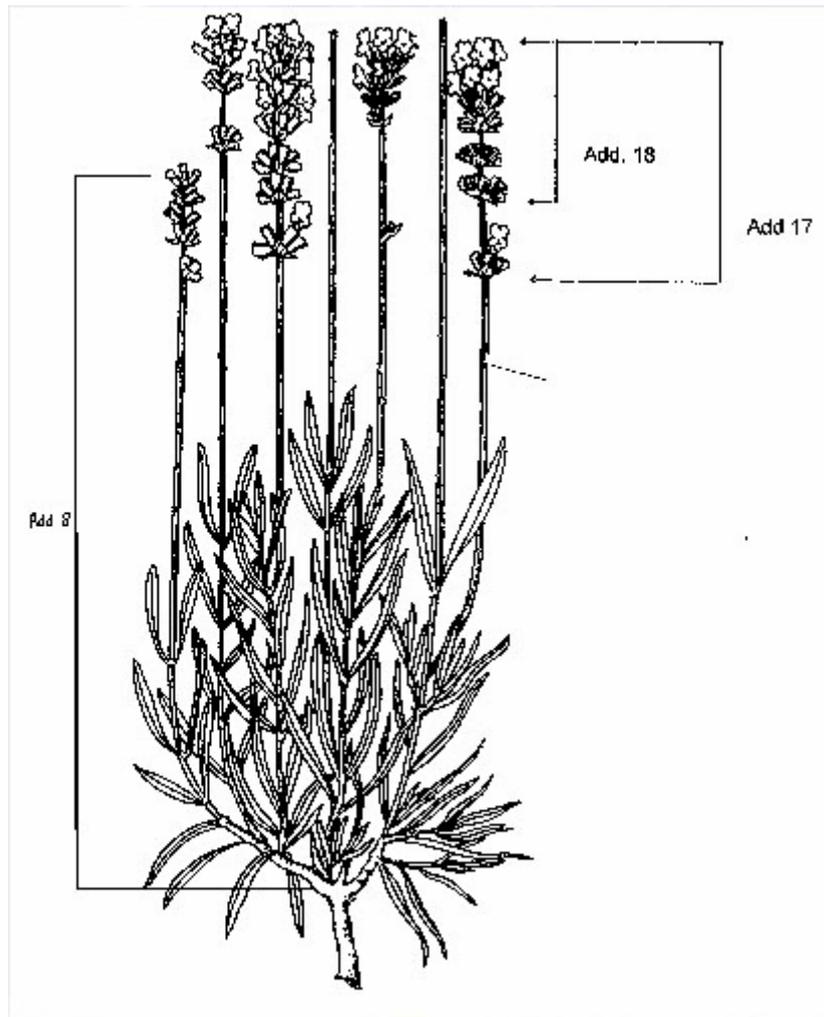


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Ad.8: Flowering stem: length (including spike)

Ad. 17: Spike: total length (including first whorl)

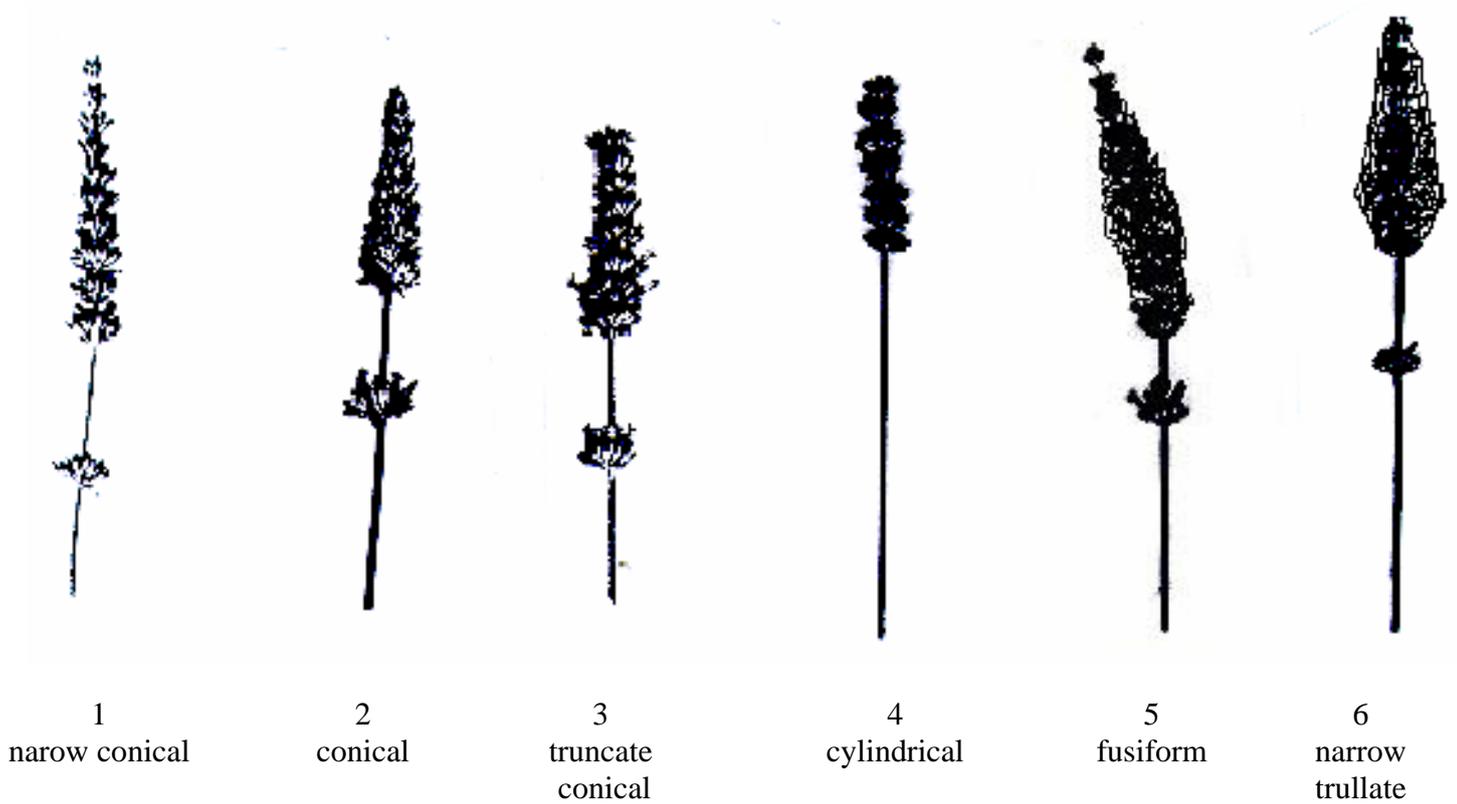
Ad. 18: Lavandula section only: Spike: length from second whorl



Ad. 20: Lavandula section only: Spike: distance between whorls

The distance between whorls is assessed by determining the ratio: length of spike/number of whorls.

Ad. 21: Spike: shape



Ad. 24: Spike: width of fertile bracts

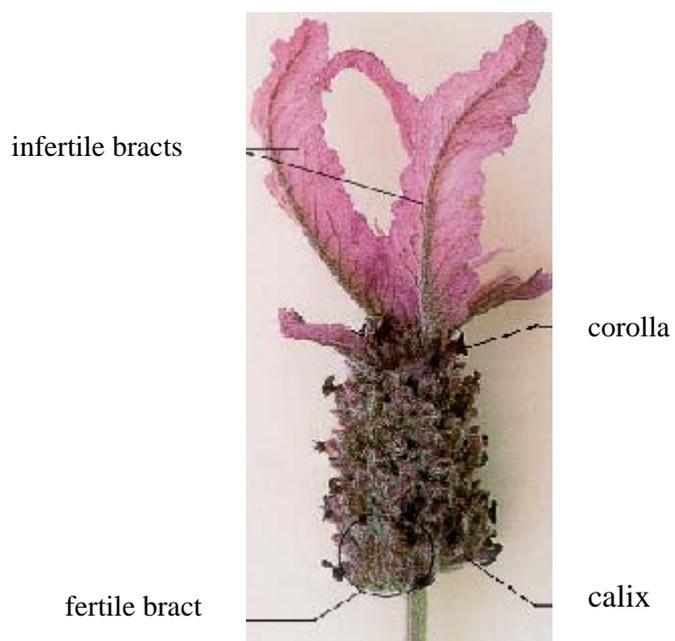
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Ad. 28: Spike: presence of infertile bracts

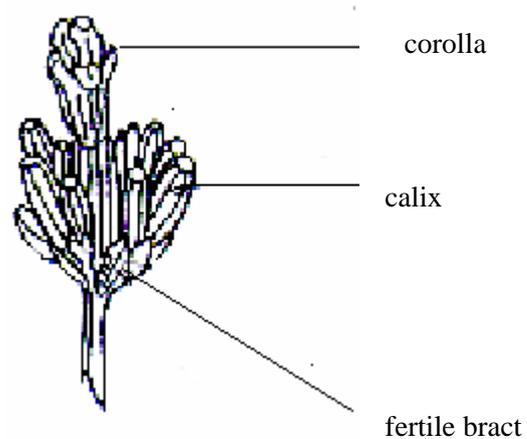
Ad. 29: Stoechas section only: Spike: length of infertile bracts

Ad. 33: Flower: colour of calyx

Ad. 35: Corolla: colour



Stoechas group



Spica group

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ANNEX II



European Union
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TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE

to be completed in connection with an application for Community Plant Variety Rights
Please answer all questions. A question without any answer will lead to a non-attribution
of an application date. In cases where a field / question is not applicable, please state so.

- 1. Botanical taxon: Name of the genus, species or sub-species to which the variety belongs and common name:**

Lavandula L.

LAVANDULA / LAVENDER

Species (indicate)

- 2. Applicant(s): Name(s) and address(es), phone and fax number(s), e-mail address, and where appropriate name and address of the procedural representative**

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- 3. Variety denomination**

a) Where appropriate proposal for a variety denomination:

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b) Provisional designation (breeder's reference):

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4. Information on origin, maintenance and reproduction of the variety

4.1 Origin

(a) Seedling (indicate parent varieties) []

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(b) Mutation (indicate parent variety) []

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(c) Discovery (indicate where, when and how the variety has been developed): []

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(d) Other (please specify) []

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4.2 Method of propagation

(a) Cuttings []

(b) *In vitro* propagation []

(c) Seed []

(d) Other (please specify): []

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4.3 Other information on genetic and breeding method

In the case of seed propagated varieties method of production:

(a) Self-pollinated []

(b) Cross-pollinated (please give details) []

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(c) Hybrid (please give details)..... []

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4.4 Geographical origin of the variety: the region and the country in which the variety was bred or discovered and developed.

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5. Characteristics of the variety to be indicated: (the number in brackets refers to the corresponding characteristic in the CPVO Technical Protocol; please mark the state of expression which best corresponds).

Characteristics		Example varieties	Note
5.1 (1)	Plant: growth habit		
	upright	Folgate (L), James Compton (S/Ps)	1 []
	bushy	Twickel Purple (L), Pippa White (S/Ps)	2 []
	globular	Munstead (L), Major (S/Ps)	3 []
	spreading		4 []

Characteristics		Example varieties	Note
5.2 (2)	Plant: size		
	very small	Nana Alba (L)	1 []
	small	Maillette (L), Evelyn Cadzow (S/Ps)	3 []
	medium	Major (S/Ps)	5 []
	large	Capsicclair (L), Willowbridge Snow (S/Ps)	7 []
	very large	Super (L), Marshwood (S/Ps)	9 []
5.3 (7)	Leaf: incisions of margin		
	absent	Abrial (L)	1 []
	weakly expressed	Pure Harmony (S/Ps)	2 []
	strongly expressed	Sidonie (S/Ps)	3 []
5.4 (13)	Flowering stem: lateral branching (above foliage)		
	absent	Lady (L), Clozone (L), Blue River (L)	1 []
	present	Grosso (L)	9 []
5.5 (28)	Spike: presence of infertile bracts		
	absent	Abrial (L), Maillette (L)	1 []
	present	James Compton (S/Ps)	9 []

Characteristics	Example varieties	Note
Please fill in point (i) if possible, otherwise point (ii)		
5.6 (i) (31) <u>Stoechas section only</u>: Spike: main colour of infertile bracts	RHS Colour Chart (indicate reference number)	
5.6 (ii) (31) <u>Stoechas section only</u>: Spike: main colour of infertile bracts	white green pink light purple dark purple violet Other colour (indicate):	1 [] 2 [] 3 [] 4 [] 5 [] 6 [] 7 []
5.7 (35) Corolla: colour	white pink purple violet light blue medium blue dark blue	Nana alba (L), Willowbridge Snow (S/Ps) 1 [] Rosea (L) 2 [] Munstead (L), Regal Splendour (S/Ps) 3 [] Roxlea Park (S/Ps), Twickel Purple (L) 4 [] Super (L) 5 [] Abrial (L), Willowbridge Calico (S/Ps) 6 [] Grosso (L), Sidonie (S/Ps) 7 []

6. Similar varieties and differences from these varieties:

Denomination of similar variety	Characteristic in which the similar variety is different ¹⁾	State of expression of similar variety	State of expression of candidate variety
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¹⁾ In the case of identical states of expressions of both varieties, please indicate the size of the difference

7. Additional information which may help to distinguish the variety

A representative printed-out colour photo of the variety **must** be added to the technical questionnaire.

7.1 Resistance to pests and diseases

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7.2 Special conditions for the examination of the variety

7.2.1 Main use

- garden plant []
- dried flowers []
- essential oil []
- Others (please specify): []

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7.2.2 Other conditions

[] YES, please specify

[] NO

7.3 Other information

YES, please specify

NO

8. GMO-information required

The variety represents a Genetically Modified Organism within the meaning of Article 2(2) of Council Directive 2001/18/EC of 12/03/2001.

YES NO

If yes, please add a copy of the written attestation of the responsible authorities stating that a technical examination of the variety under Articles 55 and 56 of the Basic Regulation does not pose risks to the environment according to the norms of the above-mentioned Directive.

9. Information on plant material to be examined

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.

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:

- (a) Microorganisms (e.g. virus, bacteria, phytoplasma) Yes No
- (b) Chemical treatment (e.g. growth retardant or pesticide) Yes No
- (c) Tissue culture Yes No
- (d) Other factors Yes No

Please provide details of where you have indicated “Yes”:

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I/We hereby declare that to the best of my/our knowledge the information given in this form is complete and correct.

Date

Signature

Name

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