COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DIRECTIVE 2012/8/EU

of 2 March 2012

amending Directive 2003/90/EC setting out implementing measures for the purposes of Article 7 of Council Directive 2002/53/EC as regards the characteristics to be covered as a minimum by the examination and the minimum conditions for examining certain varieties of agricultural plant species

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION.

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Directive 2002/53/EC of 13 June 2002 on the common catalogue of varieties of agricultural plant species (1), and in particular Article 7(2) (a) and (b) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Directive 2003/90/EC (2) was adopted to ensure that the varieties the Member States include in their national catalogues comply with the guidelines established by the Community Plant Variety Office (CPVO) as regards the characteristics to be covered as a minimum by the examination of the various species and the minimum conditions for examining the varieties, as far as such guidelines had been established. For other varieties this Directive provides that guidelines of the International Union for Protection of new Varieties of Plants (UPOV) are to apply.
- (2) The CPVO has since established further guidelines for a number of other species, and has updated existing ones.
- (3) Directive 2003/90/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (4) The measures provided for in this Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Seeds and Propagating Material for Agriculture, Horticulture and Forestry,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

Annexes I and II to Directive 2003/90/EC are replaced by the text in the Annex to this Directive.

Article 2

For examinations started before 1 October 2012 Member States may apply Directive 2003/90/EC in the version applying before its amendment by this Directive.

Article 3

Member States shall adopt and publish, by 30 September 2012 at the latest, the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive. They shall forthwith communicate to the Commission the text of those provisions.

They shall apply those provisions from 1 October 2012.

When Member States adopt those provisions, they shall contain a reference to this Directive or be accompanied by such a reference on the occasion of their official publication. Member States shall determine how such reference is to be made.

Article 4

This Directive shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

Article 5

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 2 March 2012.

For the Commission
The President
José Manuel BARROSO

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 193, 20.7.2002, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 254, 8.10.2003, p. 7.

ANNEX

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List of species referred to in Article 1(2)(a) which are to comply with CPVO test protocols

Scientific name	Common name	CPVO protocol
Festuca filiformis Pourr.	Fine-leaved sheep's fescue	TP 67/1 of 23.6.2011
Festuca ovina L.	Sheep's fescue	TP 67/1 of 23.6.2011
Festuca rubra L.	Red fescue	TP 67/1 of 23.6.2011
Festuca trachyphylla (Hack.) Krajina	Hard fescue	TP 67/1 of 23.6.2011
Lolium multiflorum Lam.	Italian ryegrass	TP 4/1 of 23.6.2011
Lolium perenne L.	Perennial ryegrass	TP 4/1 of 23.6.2011
Lolium x boucheanum Kunth	Hybrid ryegrass	TP 4/1 of 23.6.2011
Pisum sativum L.	Field pea	TP 7/2 of 11.3.2010
Brassica napus L.	Swede rape	TP 36/2 of 16.11.2011
Helianthus annuus L.	Sunflower	TP 81/1 of 31.10.2002
Linum usitatissimum L.	Flax/Linseed	TP 57/1 of 21.3.2007
Avena nuda L.	Small naked oat, Hulless oat	TP 20/1 of 6.11.2003
Avena sativa L. (includes A. byzantina K. Koch)	Oats and Red oat	TP 20/1 of 6.11.2003
Hordeum vulgare L.	Barley	TP 19/2rev. of 11.3.2010
Oryza sativa L.	Rice	TP 16/1 of 18.11.2004
Secale cereale L.	Rye	TP 58/1 of 31.10.2002
xTriticosecale Wittm. ex A. Camus	Hybrids resulting from the crossing of a species of the genus <i>Triticum</i> and a species of the genus <i>Secale</i>	TP 121/2 rev. 1 of 16.2.2011
Triticum aestivum L.	Wheat	TP 3/4 rev. 2 of 16.2.2011
Triticum durum Desf.	Durum wheat	TP 120/2 of 6.11.2003
Zea mays L.	Maize	TP 2/3 of 11.3.2010
Solanum tuberosum L.	Potato	TP 23/2 of 1.12.2005
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The text of these protocols can be found on the CPVO web site (www.cpvo.europa.eu).

ANNEX II

List of species referred to in Article 1(2)(b) which are to comply with UPOV test guidelines

Scientific name	Common name	UPOV guideline
Beta vulgaris L.	Fodder beet	TG/150/3 of 4.11.1994
Agrostis canina L.	Velvet bent	TG/30/6 of 12.10.1990
Agrostis gigantea Roth.	Red top	TG/30/6 of 12.10.1990
Agrostis stolonifera L.	Creeping bent	TG/30/6 of 12.10.1990
Agrostis capillaris L.	Brown top	TG/30/6 of 12.10.1990
Bromus catharticus Vahl	Rescue grass	TG/180/3 of 4.4.2001
Bromus sitchensis Trin.	Alaska brome grass	TG/180/3 of 4.4.2001
Dactylis glomerata L.	Cocksfoot	TG/31/8 of 17.4.2002
Festuca arundinacea Schreber	Tall fescue	TG/39/8 of 17.4.2002
Festuca pratensis Huds.	Meadow fescue	TG/39/8 of 17.4.2002
xFestulolium Asch. et Graebn.	Hybrids resulting from the crossing of a species fo the genus Festuca with a species of the genus Lolium	TG/243/1 of 9.4.2008
Phleum nodosum L.	Small timothy	TG/34/6 of 7.11.1984
Phleum pratense L.	Timothy	TG/34/6 of 7.11.1984
Poa pratensis L.	Smooth-stalked meadow grass	TG/33/6 of 12.10.1990
Lupinus albus L.	White lupin	TG/66/4 of 31.3.2004
Lupinus angustifolius L.	Narrow-leaved lupin	TG/66/4 of 31.3.2004
Lupinus luteus L.	Yellow lupin	TG/66/4 of 31.3.2004
Medicago sativa L.	Lucerne	TG/6/5 of 6.4.2005
Medicago x varia T. Martyn	Sand lucerne	TG/6/5 of 6.4.2005
Trifolium pratense L.	Red clover	TG/5/7 of 4.4.2001
Trifolium repens L.	White clover	TG/38/7 of 9.4.2003
Vicia faba L.	Field bean	TG/8/6 of 17.4.2002
Vicia sativa L.	Common vetch	TG/32/6 of 21.10.1988
Brassica napus L. var. napobrassica (L.) Rchb.	Swede	TG/89/6rev. of 4.4.2001 + 1.4.2009
Raphanus sativus L. var. oleiformis Pers.	Fodder radish	TG/178/3 of 4.4.2001
Arachis hypogea L.	Groundnut/Peanut	TG/93/3 of 13.11.1985

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Brassica rapa L. var. silvestris (Lam.) Briggs	Turnip rape	TG/185/3 of 17.4.2002
Carthamus tinctorius L.	Safflower	TG/134/3 of 12.10.1990
Gossypium spp.	Cotton	TG/88/6 of 4.4.2001
Papaver somniferum L.	Рорру	TG/166/3 of 24.3.1999
Sinapis alba L.	White mustard	TG/179/3 of 4.4.2001
Glycine max (L.) Merrill	Soya bean	TG/80/6 of 1.4.1998
Sorghum bicolor (L.) Moench	Sorghum	TG/122/3 of 6.10.1989

The text of these guidelines can be found on the UPOV web site (www.upov.int).'