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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,

Having regard to Council Directive 2002/55/EC of 13 June 2002 on the marketing of vegetable seed[(2)], and in particular Article 7(2)(a) and (b) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Directives 2003/90/EC[(3)] and 2003/91/EC[(4)] were 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 those Directives provide that guidelines of the International Union for Protection of new Varieties of Plants (UPOV) are to apply.

(2) The CPVO and UPOV have established further guidelines and have updated existing ones.

(3) Directives 2003/90/EC and 2003/91/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 Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

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Article 1

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

Article 2

The Annexes to Directive 2003/91/EC are replaced by the text in part B of the Annex to this Directive.

Article 3

For examinations started before 1 July 2017 Member States may apply Directives 2003/90/EC and 2003/91/EC in the version applying before their amendment by this Directive.

Article 4

Member States shall adopt and publish, by 30 June 2017 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 July 2017.

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 5

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

Article 6

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 31 October 2016.

For the Commission

The President

Jean-Claude JUNCKER

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PART A

ANNEX I

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 arundinacea Schreb.	Tall fescue	TP 39/1 of 1.10.2015
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 pratensis Huds.	Meadow fescue	TP 39/1 of 1.10.2015
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 Rev of 11.3.2015
Vicia sativa L.	Common vetch	TP 32/1 of 19.4.2016
Brassica napus L. var. *napobrassica* (L.) Rchb.	Swede	TP 89/1 of 11.3.2015
Brassica napus L.	Swede rape	TP 36/2 of 16.11.2011
Cannabis sativa L.	Hemp	TP 276/1 of 28.11.2012
Gossypium spp.	Cotton	TP 88/1 of 19.4.2016
Helianthus annuus L.	Sunflower	TP 81/1 of 31.10.2002
Linum usitatissimum L.	Flax/Linseed	TP 57/2 of 19.3.2014
Avena nuda L.	Small naked oat, Hulless oat	TP 20/2 of 1.10.2015
Avena sativa L. (includes *A. byzantina* K. Koch)	Oats and Red oat	TP 20/2 of 1.10.2015
Hordeum vulgare L.	Barley	TP 19/4 of 1.10.2015
Oryza sativa L.	Rice	TP 16/3 of 1.10.2015
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	TP 121/2 rev. 1 of 16.2.2011

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	genus *Triticum* and a species of the genus *Secale*	
Triticum aestivum L.	Wheat	TP 3/4 rev. 2 of 16.2.2011
Triticum durum Desf.	Durum wheat	TP 120/3 of 19.3.2014
Zea mays L.	Maize	TP 2/3 of 11.3.2010
Solanum tuberosum L.	Potato	TP 23/2 of 1.12.2005

The text of these protocols can be found on the CPVO website (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
xFestulolium Asch. et Graebn.	Hybrids resulting from the crossing of a species of 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/33/7 of 9.4.2014
Lotus corniculatus L.	Birdsfoot trefoil	TG 193/1 of 9.4.2008
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