

## NEW ZEALAND PLANT VARIETY RIGHTS OFFICE

## TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE

To be completed in connection with an application for plant variety rights -

**CHERRY (*Prunus avium* L., *P. cerasus* L., and Hybrids)**

1. Owner of variety:

2. Proposed denomination or breeder's reference:

3. Species (tick one):

Sweet cherry (*P. avium* L.)

Sour cherry (*P. cerasus* L.)

Duke cherry (Hybrids)

4. Information on origin and reproduction of the variety:

a) Method of breeding or selection (tick appropriate box and give variety name(s) if relevant) -

Seedling of unknown parentage

Produced by controlled pollination

Seed bearing parent \_\_\_\_\_

Pollen parent \_\_\_\_\_

Produced by open pollination of \_\_\_\_\_

Mutation or sport from \_\_\_\_\_

(b) *In vitro* propagation

The plant material has been obtained by *in vitro* propagation:

Yes

No.

- Virus status. The variety is:

virus free

virus tested (indicate against which virus)

virus status is unknown

c) Other information -

5. Characteristic of the variety (mark the state of expression which best corresponds) -
- a) Time of flowering -
    - very early
    - early
    - medium
    - late
    - very late
  
  - b) Fruit: size -
    - very small
    - small
    - medium
    - large
    - very large
  
  - c) Fruit: skin colour -
    - yellow
    - vermilion on a pale yellow ground colour
    - orange red
    - light red
    - medium red
    - brown red
    - dark red
    - black red
  
  - d) Fruit: Colour of flesh -
    - cream
    - yellow
    - pink
    - medium red
    - dark red
  
  - e) Fruit: Firmness –
    - soft
    - medium
    - firm
    - very firm
  
  - f) Time of fruit maturity -
    - very early
    - early
    - medium
    - late
    - very late
  
  - g) Other characteristics of the variety -

6. Similar varieties and differences from these varieties:

Denomination (s) of variety(ies) similar to yours	Characteristic(s) (eg plant height) in which the similar variety differs from yours	Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for the similar variety (eg short)	Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for your variety (eg tall)

7. Additional information which may help distinguish the variety:

a) Resistance to pests and diseases -

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b) Special conditions for the examination of the variety -

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c) Other information -

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8. *The work of PVR evaluation of trees is normally conducted by the National Cultivar Centre (NCC) at Havelock North by arrangement between the applicant and the Centre. To make arrangements contact:*

*The Manager  
National Cultivar Centre  
C/o HortResearch  
Private Bag 1401  
HAVELOCK NORTH*

Tick the appropriate box:

- I have arranged for the variety to be tested by the NCC.
- I intend to arrange for the variety to be tested by the NCC.
- I propose/wish to discuss an alternative way of evaluating trees for PVR.  
Give details:

9. If the variety is from overseas complete this section. Tick the appropriate box:

- Plant material has been released in New Zealand from quarantine.
- Plant material is in New Zealand plant quarantine and should be released on \_\_\_\_\_
- Plant material has not yet been imported into New Zealand.

If so when do you expect importation to occur: \_\_\_\_\_

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10. Authorisation for release

(a) Does the variety require prior authorisation for release under legislation concerning the protection of the environment, human and animal health?

Yes [ ] No [ ]

(b) Has such authorisation been obtained?

Yes [ ] No [ ]

If the answer to (b) is yes, please attach a copy of such an authorisation.

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**Note:** Colour photographs must be supplied at application. The following are the requirements that apply.

Supply colour prints of minimum size 15 cm x 10 cm, not slides. Photographs should be of good quality and in duplicate. They should be representative of the variety and display as well as possible its chief distinguishing feature (s). The photographs may be of the whole plant of the new variety and/or of plant parts such as the fruit or the flowers, whichever is most appropriate. Do not supply photographs of the original bred or discovered plant of the variety, or in the case of a new mutation or sport the plant part from which the variety originated. Instead you should supply photographs based upon plants or trees propagated from the original plant or plant part.

Signature: ..... Date: .....