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COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT TEST GUIDELINES FOR ROOTSTOCKS

prepared by experts from South Africa

The experts from South Africa reported that for apple rootstocks, Pyrus rootstocks, and Prunus rootstocks also the fruit of fruit-bearing rootstock varieties is described. All rootstock varieties of apple are grafted onto a standard rootstock to eliminate factors such as soil effects and rooting ability.

In the technical questionnaire (TQ) of the apple rootstock, 5.11 “(as for 6)” must be changed to the text as in 6, i.e. “at midlength”, because the applicant who has to complete the TQ does not have the Test Guidelines in front of him to turn to the table of characteristics to see what was written at 6.

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