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CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS FOR REVISION OF STANDARDS
PLUMS

Note by the secretariat

The following items concerning amendment or revision of the UN/ECE Standard for Plums was submitted by the delegation of Germany at the forty-second session (November 1996). Proposed changes and amendments are printed in bold. Justifications given for the proposed changes and amendments are those of the delegations which submitted the proposal. Comments and additional proposals are invited.

PROPOSALS BY GERMANY FOR REVISIONS OF THE
UN/ECE STANDARD FOR PLUMS AND THE LIST OF VARIETIES

UN/ECE Standard for Plums (FFV-29)

i) I. Definition of Produce:

Proposal to change the first paragraph to read:

"This standard applies to plums of varieties (cultivars) grown from *Prunus domestica* L. // and *Prunus salicina* Lindl. // to be supplied fresh to the consumer, plums for industrial processing being excluded." as the term *Prunus domestica* covers all subspecies including *ssp. insititia*.

Alternatively, the first paragraph could read:

" This standard applies to plums of varieties (cultivars) grown from
Prunus domestica L. *ssp. domestica*
Prunus domestica L. *ssp. insititia* (L.) Schneid.,
Prunus domestica L. *ssp. italica* (Borkh.) Gams,
Prunus domestica L. *ssp. syriaca* (Borkh.) Janchen and
Prunus salicina Lindl.

to be supplied fresh to the consumer, plums for industrial processing being excluded."

ii) Title of Annex

Proposal to change the title of the Annex to read:

"List of large-fruited varieties **non-exhaustive**"

iii) Annex

Proposal to separate the list of large-fruited varieties into a list of those varieties grown from *Prunus domestica* and those grown from *Prunus salicina* (Japanese/American varieties and their hybrids) because the average size of the latter varieties is considerably bigger and the classification as regards sizing is much easier. (see lists below)

Therefore, proposal to fix a higher minimum size for varieties grown from *Prunus salicina*:

"Extra Class" and Class I: **40 mm**

C l a s s I I :
35 mm

List of large-fruited varieties of Prunus Domestica

(added varieties are printed in bold, varieties to be deleted are marked with *)

Andys Pride	Merton Gage (Merton)
Ariel	Merton Gem
Apple	Monarch
Beauty	Nueva Extremadura
Belle de Louvain (Bella di Livanio)	Oneida
Bernardina	Ontario
*Bleu de Belgique	Pitestean
Bluefre	Pond's Seedling
Carcanska Lepotica (Cacaks Schöne)	President
Cacanska Najbolja (Cacaks Beste)	Prince Engelbert
Cacanska Rana (Cacaks Frühe)	Prince of Wales (Prince de
California Blue (Blu)	Galles)
Carpatin	Prof. Collumbien
Centenar	Prune Martin
De Fraile (Fraila)	Queen's Crown (Cox's Emperor)
Denniston Superb	*Quetsche blanche de Létrécourt
Early Orleans (Monsieur Hâtif)	Regina Claudia Mostruosa
Edwards (Colbus)	Regina d'Italia
Elena	Reine Claude d'Althan (Falso)
Emma Leppermann	Reine Claude d'Oullins
Empress	(Oullin's Gage)
*Ersinger Frühzwetsche	Royale de Montauban
Formosa	Royale de Tours
Grand Prix (Grand Price)	*Ruth Gerstetter
Hall	Sanctus Hubertus
Harris Monarch	Satsuma improved
Herman	Sultan
Heron	Swan Gage
Imperial Epineuse	TOP
Jalomita	*Tragedy
Jefferson (Jefferson's Gage)	Utility (Laxton's utility)
Jori's Plum	Valor
June Blood	*Victoria
Kirke's Plum (Kirke)	Vision
Magna Glauca	Washington
Manns Number One	Wickson
Mariposa	Yakima
Marjorie's Seedling	*Zimmers Frühzwetsche

List of large-fruited varieties of Prunus salicina

(added varieties are printed in bold)

Angeleno	Late Santa Rosa
Beauty	Linda Rosa
Bella di barbiano	Midnight Sun
Black Amber	Morettini 355 (Coeur de Lion)
Black Beaut	Narrabeen
Black Diamond	Newyorker
Black Gold	Nubiana
Black Rosa	Obilnaja
Black Star	Oro Miel
Burbank	Ozark Premier
Burmosa	Queen Ann
Calita	Queen Rosa
Casselman	Red Beaut
Coe's Golden Drop	Red Rosa
Delbarazur	Redgold
Early Golden	Redroy
Eldorado	Rosar premier
Fortune	Royal Black
Friar	Royal Diamond
Frontier	Roysum
Gaviota	Ruby Blood
Giant (Burbank giant prune)	Ruby Nel
Goccia d'Oro	Sangue di drago
Golden Japan	Santa Rosa
Golden Plum	Sapphire
Grand Rosa	Seneca
Green Sun	Simka
Hackman	Songold
Harry Pickstone	Sorriso di Primavera
Kelsey	Spring Beaut
Kesselman (=Casselman?)	Starking Delicious
Laetitia	Stirling
Laroda	TC Sun
Larry Ann	

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iv) III. Provisions Concerning Sizing

Proposal **to delete "Plums of Dro"** from the last group as this variety is identical with the German Quetsche (Hauszwetsche) and this variety falls under "other varieties".

The proposed table of minimum sizes should therefore read:

	"Extra" and Class I	II
Large-fruited varieties (P. salicina) <u>2</u>/	40 mm	35 mm
Large-fruited varieties (P. domestica) <u>2</u>/	35 mm	30 mm
Other varieties	28 mm	25 mm
Mirabelles and Damsons	20 mm	17 mm

For the "Extra Class, the maximum difference in diameter between fruit in any one package is fixed at 10 mm.