STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Seed Marketing (Heterogeneous Material) (Temporary Experiment) (England) Regulations 2023

PART 3

Marketing and certification

Identification of a population

- 13.—(1) A population developed under the experiment must be identifiable on the basis of—
 - (a) the varieties used in crossing to generate it;
 - (b) the techniques used in crossing;
 - (c) the degree of heterogeneity;
 - (d) a description of its characteristics; and
 - (e) whether it can be reproduced unchanged once established in a specified region of production with specified agro-climatic conditions.
- (2) The technique used in crossing to generate the population must include one or more of the following—
 - (a) the crossing of several different varieties of plants, using crossing protocols to produce diverse heterogeneous material by bulking of the progeny, in order to produce material with a high level of genetic diversity;
 - (b) on-farm management practices which include selecting, establishing or maintaining material characterised by a high level of genetic diversity;
 - (c) any other technique used for the breeding or production of heterogeneous material and specified in the participant's licence.
- (3) For the purposes of paragraph (2), "bulking of the progeny" means repeatedly re-sowing and exposing the stock to natural or human selection.