

The Kingdom of Belgium

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**FEDERAL AGENCY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE FOOD CHAIN**

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**Royal Decree amending the Royal Decree of 13 March 2011 on the mandatory inspection of sprayers and amending the Royal Decree of 10 November 2005 on the payments referred to in Article 5 of the Law of 9 December 2004 on the financing of the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain**

PHILIPPE, King of the Belgians,

To all present, and those to come, greetings.

Having regard to Article 108 of the Constitution;

Having regard to the Law of 21 December 1998 on product standards aimed at promoting sustainable production and consumption practices and protecting the environment, health and workers, Article 5(2), first subparagraph, points 1, 2 and 6, as amended by the Law of 27 July 2011;

Having regard to the Law of 4 February 2000 creating the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain, Article 4(3), points 2 and 4 and Article 5, first subparagraph;

Having regard to the Law of 9 December 2004 on the financing of the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain, Article 5(1) and (2);

Having regard to the Royal Decree of 13 March 2011 on the mandatory inspection of sprayers and amending the Royal Decree of 10 November 2005 on the payments referred to in Article 5 of the Law of 9 December 2004 on the financing of the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain;

Having regard to the Royal Decree of 28 February 2023 amending the Royal Decree of 13 March 2011 on the mandatory inspection of sprayers and amending the Royal Decree of 10 November 2005 on the payments referred to in Article 5 of the Law of 9 December 2004 on the financing of the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain;

Having regard to the Royal Decree of XXXX amending the Royal Decree of 19 March 2013 on achieving a sustainable use of plant protection products and adjuvants;

Having regard to the Opinion of the Advisory Committee of the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain, issued on 26 March 2025;

Having regard to the opinion of the Inspector of Finance, issued on XXX;

Having regard to the consultation between the regional governments and the federal authority of XXX;

Having regard to the agreement of the Minister for the Budget, issued on XXX;

Having regard to the communication to the European Commission dated XXX, pursuant to Article 5 of Directive 2015/1535/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 September 2015 laying down a procedure for the provision of information in the field of technical standards and regulations and of rules on Information Society services;

Having regard to the regulatory impact analysis conducted in accordance with Articles 6(1) and 7(1) of the Law of 15 December 2013 on various provisions relating to administrative simplification;

Having regard to Opinion No xx.xxx/x of the Council of State, issued on XX XXXXX 20XX, pursuant to Article 84(1), first subparagraph, point 2., of the Laws on the Council of State, consolidated on 12 January 1973;

On the proposal of the Minister for Agriculture and the opinion of the Ministers who have deliberated it in the Council,

WE HAVE DECREED AND WE HEREBY DECREE:

**Article 1.** In Article 1 of the Royal Decree of 13 March 2011 on the mandatory inspection of sprayers and amending the Royal Decree of 10 November 2005 on the payments referred to in Article 5 of the Law of 9 December 2004 on the financing of the Federal Agency for the safety of the food chain, point 4 is repealed and replaced by: 'Sprayer: pesticide application equipment within the meaning of Article 3(4) of Directive 2009/128/EC establishing a framework for Community action to achieve the sustainable use of pesticides.'

**Article 2.** In Article 5 of the Royal Decree of 13 March 2011 on the mandatory inspection of sprayers and amending the Royal Decree of 10 November 2005 on the payments referred to in Article 5 of the Law of 9 December 2004 on the financing of the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain, Article 5(5) is replaced by the following:

'The owner of a sprayer shall notify the approved inspection body under their control within 7 working days of the discovery, loss, deterioration or disappearance of the self-adhesive sticker referred to in Article 6.'

**Article 3.** In Article 6(2) of the same Decree, a subparagraph is inserted between subparagraphs 1 and 2, reading as follows:

'The inspection authority may, in exceptional circumstances and on its own initiative, decide to issue the self-adhesive sticker to the owner in person or to send it by post. In this case, the owner is obliged to affix the sticker to the sprayer concerned within a period not exceeding 7 working days after receipt thereof.'

**Article 4.** The following amendments are made to Article 10 of the same Decree:

- a) in paragraph 1, point 5, of the Decree, the words '1 500 machines per year' are replaced by the words '4 000 machines per 3-year cycle';
- b) In paragraph (1) point 6(c), the words 'by 31 January' are replaced by the words 'by 15 May'.

**Article 5.** In Article 15(1), first subparagraph, of the same Decree, the following

amendments are made in the French version: the word 'réalablement' is replaced by the word 'préalablement', giving the English meaning 'in advance'.

**Article 6.** In the same Decree, Annex 1, replaced by Annex 1 to the Royal Decree of 28 February 2023 amending the Royal Decree of 13 March 2011 on the mandatory inspection of sprayers and amending the Royal Decree of 10 November 2005 on the payments referred to in Article 5 of the Law of 9 December 2004 on the financing of the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain, is replaced by the Annex 1 appended to this Decree.

**Article 7.** In the same Decree, Annex 4 to the Royal Decree of 13 March 2011 on the mandatory inspection of sprayers and amending the Royal Decree of 10 November 2005 on the payments referred to in Article 5 of the Law of 9 December 2004 on the financing of the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain, is replaced by the Annex 2 appended to this Decree.

**Article 9.** In the same Decree, Annex 6, replaced by Annex 5 to the Royal Decree of 28 February 2023 amending the Royal Decree of 13 March 2011 on the mandatory inspection of sprayers and amending the Royal Decree of 10 November 2005 on the payments referred to in Article 5 of the Law of 9 December 2004 on the financing of the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain, is replaced by the Annex 4 appended to this Decree.

**Article 10.** This Decree shall enter into force on 1 January 2026.

**Article 11.** The Minister responsible for the Safety of the Food Chain is responsible for the implementation of this Decree.

Brussels,

PHILIPPE

By the King:

The Minister for Agriculture,

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**Annex 1 to the Royal Decree of @@@ amending Annex 1 to the Royal Decree of 13 March 2011 on the mandatory inspection of sprayers and amending the Royal Decree of 10 November 2005 on the payments referred to in Article 5 of the Law of 9 December 2004 on the financing of the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain**

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## **Annex 1: requirements to be met by sprayers**

### **Part A.**

Any non-conformity in relation to the inspection parameters listed below must be corrected within four months of delivery of the inspection report (= Defects to be rectified with reinspection [DRR]). Any non-conformity established in the previous three-year inspection in relation to the inspection parameters in Annex 1, Part B (= Defects to be Rectified for Next Cycle – DRPC) that have not been repaired must be remedied within four months of delivery of the inspection report.

#### **1. Field sprayers**

|                   | <b>Parameter</b>  | <b>Code</b> | <b>Element examined by observation or measurement</b>  | <b>Tolerance limits</b>   |
|-------------------|---|-------------|--|---|
| General condition | Security of the attachment points of the spray boom to the chassis  | A3          | The attachment points of the spray boom to the chassis must not show any defects                                     | Defects in attachment points, presence of breaks, multiple makeshift welds, etc.  |
| Spray boom        | Symmetry (except where this test parameter is not technically relevant) and general condition of the spray boom | D1          | Inspection of symmetry of spray boom in relation to mounting points on the chassis, as well as its general condition | No left-right symmetry.<br>The spray boom has multiple repair welds and/or is bent in various places (but does not exceed the curvature limits) and/or is fastened or retained with ropes, etc. |
|                   | Horizontal curvature  | D3          | Inspection of curvature in horizontal plane  | Horizontal curvature > 50 cm  |
|                   | Vertical curvature  | D5          | Inspection of curvature in vertical plane for spray boom ≤ 18 m long   | Vertical curvature > 30 cm  |
|                   | Vertical curvature  | D7          | Inspection of curvature in vertical plane for spray boom > 18 m long   | Vertical curvature > 50 cm  |

|                          | Parameter   | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|--------------------------|---|------|---|--|
| Pressure stability       | Stability of spray pressure                                       | G1   | Check for rapid oscillations of the manometer needle that hinder pressure reading<br>/torn air chamber membrane   | Pressure cannot be read on the manometer (oscillating needle)  |
|                          | Stability of spray pressure                                       | G4   | Check for rapid oscillations of the manometer needle that hinder pressure reading<br>/defective pump  | Pressure cannot be read on the manometer (oscillating needle)  |
| Manometer <sup>(1)</sup> | Presence of a manometer   | H1   | Check for presence of a manometer   | No manometer   |
|                          | Operation of manometer  | H4   | Pressure deviations between working and reference manometers  | Deviation > 10 % of the reference pressure   |
| Pressure balance         | Pressure balance between spray boom sections                      | I1   | Pressure deviations between test manometers on spray boom sections and average spray pressure<br>/sections of different length                              | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to average spray pressure  |
|                          | Pressure balance between spray boom sections                      | I2   | Pressure deviations between test manometers on spray boom sections and average spray pressure<br>/supply pipes for sections of different length             | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to average spray pressure  |
|                          | Pressure balance between spray boom sections                      | I4   | Pressure deviations between test manometers on spray boom sections and average spray pressure<br>/problem in the pipes of ramp sections                     | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to average spray pressure  |
|                          | Pressure balance between spray boom sections                      | I5   | Pressure deviations between test manometers on spray boom sections and average spray pressure<br>/defective seal in the distributor / defective distributor | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to average spray pressure  |
| Flow rate of the nozzles | Homogeneity of the nozzles  | L1   | Check features of nozzles from which flow rate is measured  | A single nozzle with different characteristics (make, type, size) than the other nozzles within the same nozzle set  |
|                          | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Flat nozzles (known reference) | L2   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/too high an average deviation from the nominal flow rate                        | Average deviation > 5 % relative to the nominal flow rate. Nozzles with individual wear of less than 2 % should not be left in place voluntarily during reinspection |

|                                    | Parameter   | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement   | Tolerance limits   |
|------------------------------------|---|------|--|--|
|                                    | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Flat nozzles (unknown reference)           | L4   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/individual deviation too high relative to the average flow rate  | Individual deviation > 5 % relative to the average flow rate   |
|                                    | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Other types of nozzles (known reference)   | L5   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/too high an average deviation from the nominal flow rate   | Average deviation > 10% relative to the nominal flow rate. Nozzles with individual wear of less than 4 % should not be left in place voluntarily during reinspection |
|                                    | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Other types of nozzles (unknown reference) | L7   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/individual deviation too high relative to the average flow rate  | Individual deviation > 5% relative to the average flow rate  |
| Drift-reducing spraying technology | Type of nozzle fitted and/or equipment specific to the device                 | L8   | Reduction of spray drift   | The sprayer is used for outdoor spraying and is not fitted with spraying technology that reduces drift by at least 75 %.   |
| Control system                     | Operation of control system   | M2   | Deviation between sprayed volume/hectare and set or programmed volume/hectare<br>/incorrect adjustment of the spray pump (DPAm)  | Deviation > 10 % relative to set or programmed volume/hectare  |
|                                    | Operation of control system   | M3   | Deviation between sprayed volume/hectare and set or programmed volume/hectare<br>/incorrect calibration of speed/flow/pressure sensors (DPAE)  | Deviation > 10% relative to set or programmed volume/hectare   |
|                                    | Partition block operation   | M4   | Inspection of the operation of the valves closing/opening the main sections  | A single defective valve   |
|                                    | Operation of pressure control valve   | M5   | The operation of the pressure control valve is checked by varying the pressure at different levels (see H3 manometer) and closing and reopening the main valve. The speed of the PTO must be constant during the test. | Pressure cannot be varied within the pressure levels recommended by the manufacturer. Pressure deviation higher than 10 % after closing and reopening the main valve |
| Leaks                              | Detection of leaks  | N1   | Check for significant leaks during spraying (significant dynamic leaks)  | Presence of significant dynamic leaks (> 30 ml/min spray liquid and/or oil)  |
|                                    | Detection of leaks  | N5   | Check for significant static leaks   | Presence of significant static leaks (> 10 ml/min spray liquid and/or oil)   |
|                                    | Presence of an anti-drip system   | N3   | Presence of an anti-drip system  | Absence of an anti-drip system   |
| Pump                               | Pump operation  | O    | Detection of water in the oil tank of the pump (milky liquid)  | Presence of water in the oil   |

|  | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement | Tolerance limits |
|--|--|------|--|------------------|
|  | Non-compliance issues under Annex 1 part B that were non-compliant at the previous three-year inspection |      |  |                  |

## 2. Orchard sprayers

|                          | Parameter   | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement   | Tolerance limits  |
|--------------------------|---|------|--|---|
| General condition        | Condition of the fan                                    | A3   | Inspection of condition of the blades, deflectors and housing. Check operation of fan decoupling device if present.  | Fan blades, deflectors and/or housing that are clearly damaged. Fan decoupling device that no longer functions correctly. |
| Discharge pipe           | Deformation and symmetry                                | D1   | Inspection of symmetry of discharge pipe for attachment points on chassis or tank and deformation thereof  | No left-right symmetry and deformation of the discharge pipe > 5 cm   |
| Pressure stability       | Stability of spray pressure                             | G1   | Check for rapid oscillations of the manometer needle that hinder pressure reading<br>/torn air chamber membrane  | Pressure cannot be read on the manometer (oscillating needle)   |
|                          | Stability of spray pressure                             | G4   | Check for rapid oscillations of the manometer needle that hinder pressure reading<br>/defective pump   | Pressure cannot be read on the manometer (oscillating needle)   |
| Manometer <sup>(1)</sup> | Presence of a manometer                                 | H1   | Check for presence of a manometer  | No manometer  |
|                          | Operation of manometer                                  | H4   | Pressure deviations between working and reference manometers   | Deviation > 10% of the reference pressure   |
| Pressure balance         | Pressure balance between sections of the discharge pipe | I1   | Differences between average pressure of each section (test manometer on each nozzle holder) and average spray pressure<br>/sections of different length        | A single pressure deviation in a section > 10 % relative to the average spray pressure                                    |
|                          | Pressure balance between sections of the discharge pipe | I2   | Pressure differences between test manometers on discharge pipe sections and average spray pressure<br>/supply pipes for sections of different length           | A single pressure deviation in a section > 10 % relative to the average spray pressure                                    |
|                          | Pressure balance between sections of the discharge pipe | I4   | Pressure differences between test manometers on discharge pipe sections and average spray pressure<br>/problem in the piping of sections of the discharge pipe | A single pressure deviation in a section > 10 % relative to the average spray pressure                                    |

|                                    | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement   | Tolerance limits   |
|------------------------------------|--|------|--|--|
|                                    | Pressure balance between sections of the discharge pipe  | I5   | Pressure differences between test manometers on discharge pipe sections and average spray pressure /defective seal in the distributor / defective distributor  | A single pressure deviation in a section > 10 % relative to the average spray pressure   |
| Flow rate of the nozzles           | Homogeneity of the nozzles   | L1   | Check left/right homogeneity (type, size, make) of nozzles on discharge pipe   | Symmetrically positioned nozzles with different properties   |
|                                    | Testing nozzles mounted on sprayer (reference unknown)   | L3   | Individual deviation too high relative to average flow rate  | Individual deviation > 5% relative to the average flow rate  |
|                                    | Test of nozzles removed from the sprayer (only if significant deviations are identified) (reference known) | L5   | Average deviation too high relative to the nominal flow rate   | Average deviation > 5 % (flat nozzles) or > 10 % (vertebral nozzles) relative to nominal flow rate. Nozzles with individual wear of less than 2/4 % respectively should not be left in place voluntarily during reinspection |
| Drift-reducing spraying technology | Type of nozzle fitted and/or equipment specific to the device  | L8   | Reduction of spray drift   | The sprayer is used for outdoor spraying and is not fitted with spraying technology that reduces drift by at least 75 %.   |
| Nozzle holders                     | Condition of nozzle holders  | M2   | Pressure deviation in each nozzle holder relative to average spray pressure /nozzle holder defect  | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to average spray pressure  |
| Control system                     | Operation of control system  | N2   | Deviation between sprayed volume/hectare and set or programmed volume/hectare /incorrect adjustment of the spray pump (DPAm)   | Deviation > 10% relative to set or programmed volume/hectare   |
|                                    | Operation of control system  | N3   | Deviation between sprayed volume/hectare and set or programmed volume/hectare /incorrect calibration of speed/flow/pressure sensors (DPAE)   | Deviation > 10% relative to set or programmed volume/hectare   |
|                                    | Partition block operation  | N4   | Inspection of the operation of the valves closing/opening the main sections  | A single defective valve   |
|                                    | Operation of pressure control valve  | N5   | The operation of the pressure control valve is checked by varying the pressure at different levels (see H3 manometer) and closing and reopening the main valve. The speed of the PTO must be constant during the test. | Pressure cannot be varied within the pressure levels recommended by the manufacturer. Pressure deviation higher than 10 % after closing and reopening the main valve   |
| Leaks                              | Detection of leaks   | O1   | Check for significant leaks during spraying (significant dynamic leaks)  | Presence of significant dynamic leaks (> 30 ml/min spray liquid and/or oil)  |
|                                    | Detection of leaks   | O5   | Check for significant static leaks   | Presence of significant static leaks (> 10 ml/min spray liquid and/or oil)   |
|                                    | Presence of an anti-drip system  | O3   | Presence of an anti-drip system  | Absence of an anti-drip system   |



|      | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement                   | Tolerance limits             |
|------|--|------|--|------------------------------|
| Pump | Pump operation   | P    | Detection of water in the oil tank of the pump<br>(milky liquid) | Presence of water in the oil |
|      | Non-compliance issues under Annex 1 part B that were non-compliant at the previous three-year inspection |      |  |                              |

### 3. Boom sprayers for horticulture and floriculture

|  | Parameter   | Code  | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|--|---|-------|---|--|
| General condition  | Condition of the fan                                    | A3    | Inspection of condition of the blades, deflectors and housing. Check operation of fan decoupling device if present.                             | Fan blades, deflectors and/or housing that are clearly damaged. Fan decoupling device that no longer functions correctly.  |
| Horizontal spray boom (or beams for vertical branches D1–D7) | Horizontal position and general condition of spray boom | D1    | Examination of horizontality relative to the ground, as well as general state of maintenance  | A height difference of more than 40 cm between each end of the spray boom, measured at rest.<br>The boom has a number of welds, curvatures in several places (but which do not exceed the tolerances of points D2 to D7), is kept aligned with ropes, etc. |
|  | Horizontal curvature                                    | D3    | Significant curvature   | Horizontal curvature > 40 cm   |
|  | Vertical curvature                                      | D5    | For a spray boom ≤ 12 m long / significant curvature  | Vertical curvature > 20 cm   |
|  |   | D7    | For a spray boom > 12 m long / significant curvature  | Vertical curvature > 40 cm   |
| Vertical spray boom / branches                               | General condition of spray boom / branches              | D1bis | Check general state of maintenance  | The boom has a number of welds, curvatures in several places (but not exceeding the tolerances of points D2bis to D5bis), is kept aligned with ropes, etc.   |
| Pressure stability   | Stability of spray pressure                             | G1    | Check for rapid oscillations of the manometer needle that hinder pressure reading<br>/torn air chamber membrane                                 | Pressure cannot be read on the manometer (oscillating needle)  |
|  | Stability of spray pressure                             | G4    | Check for rapid oscillations of the manometer needle that hinder pressure reading<br>/defective pump  | Pressure cannot be read on the manometer (oscillating needle)  |
| Manometer <sup>(1)</sup>                                     | Presence of a manometer                                 | H1    | Check for presence of a manometer   | No manometer   |
|  | Operation of manometer                                  | H4    | Pressure deviations between working and reference manometers  | Deviation > 10% of the reference pressure  |
| Pressure balance   | Pressure balance between spray boom sections            | I1    | Pressure deviations between test manometers on spray boom sections and average spray pressure<br>/sections of different length                  | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to average spray pressure  |
|  |   | I2    | Pressure deviations between test manometers on spray boom sections and average spray pressure<br>/supply pipes for sections of different length | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to average spray pressure  |

|                                    | Parameter   | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|------------------------------------|---|------|---|--|
|                                    |   | I4   | Pressure deviations between test manometers on spray boom sections and average spray pressure<br>/problem in the pipes of ramp sections   | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to average spray pressure  |
|                                    |   | I5   | Pressure deviations between test manometers on spray boom sections and average spray pressure<br>/defective seal in the distributor / defective distributor   | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to average spray pressure  |
| Flow rate of the nozzles           | Homogeneity of the nozzles  | L1   | Check features of nozzles from which flow rate is measured  | A single nozzle with different characteristics (make, type, size) than the other nozzles within the same nozzle set  |
|                                    | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Flat nozzles (known reference)             | L2   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/too high an average deviation from the nominal flow rate  | Average deviation > 5% relative to the nominal flow rate. Nozzles with individual wear of up to 2 % should not be left in place voluntarily during reinspection  |
|                                    | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Flat nozzles (unknown reference)           | L4   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/individual deviation too high relative to the average flow rate   | Individual deviation > 5% relative to the average flow rate  |
|                                    | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Other types of nozzles (known reference)   | L5   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/too high an average deviation from the nominal flow rate  | Average deviation > 10% relative to the nominal flow rate. Nozzles with individual wear of up to 4 % should not be left in place voluntarily during reinspection   |
|                                    | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Other types of nozzles (unknown reference) | L7   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/individual deviation too high relative to the average flow rate   | Individual deviation > 5% relative to the average flow rate  |
| Drift-reducing spraying technology | Type of nozzle fitted and/or equipment specific to the device                 | L8   | Reduction of spray drift  | The sprayer is used for outdoor spraying and is not fitted with spraying technology that reduces drift by at least 75 %.   |
| Control system                     | Operation of control system   | M3   | Deviation between sprayed volume/hectare and set or programmed volume/hectare<br>/incorrect calibration of speed/flow/pressure sensors (DPAE)   | Deviation > 10% relative to set or programmed volume/hectare   |
|                                    | Partition block operation   | M4   | Inspection of the operation of the closing/opening valves   | A single defective valve   |
|                                    | Operation of pressure control valve   | M5   | Check for a pressure control valve and, if so, whether it works correctly and reliably by spraying the machine at a number of reference pressure levels (see H Pressure Gauge) and by removing the main valve at a set spray pressure and reinstalling it at constant rotational speed. | * No pressure control valve<br>*Pressure cannot be varied within a range of pressures at which the device is used.<br>Deviation of more than 10 % from the pressure level originally set after closing and reopening the main valve. |

|       | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement                          | Tolerance limits  |
|-------|--|------|---|---|
| Leaks | Detection of leaks   | N1   | Check for significant leaks during spraying (significant dynamic leaks) | Presence of significant dynamic leaks (> 30 ml/min spray liquid and/or oil) |
|       | Detection of leaks   | N5   | Check for significant static leaks                                      | Presence of significant static leaks (> 10 ml/min spray liquid and/or oil)  |
|       | Presence of an anti-drip system  | N3   | Presence of an anti-drip system   | Absence of an anti-drip system  |
| Pump  | Pump operation   | O    | Detection of water in the oil tank of the pump (milky liquid)           | Presence of water in the oil  |
|       | Non-compliance issues under Annex 1 part B that were non-compliant at the previous three-year inspection |      |   |   |

#### 4. Sprayers for soil disinfection

|  | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|--|--|------|---|--|
| Measuring devices                            | Presence of a measuring device on the sprayer: hydraulic or pneumatic manometer(s) and/or flow meter | F1   | Check for presence of a manometer in hydraulic and/or pneumatic supply pipes and/or a flow meter in the hydraulic supply pipe   | No measuring device on the device (neither manometer nor flow meter)   |
|  | Operation of hydraulic and pneumatic manometers (removed if possible)                                | F3   | Pressure deviations between working and reference manometers  | Deviation > 10% of the reference pressure  |
|  | Flow meter operation   | F4   | Flow meter operates poorly  | Deviation > 10 % relative to measured flow   |
| Individual flow rate of nozzles or injectors | Homogeneity of nozzles   | G1   | Check features of nozzles from which flow rate is measured  | A single nozzle with different characteristics (make, type, size) than the other nozzles within the same nozzle set          |
|  | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Flat nozzles (known reference)                                    | G2   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/too high an average deviation from the nominal flow rate  | Average deviation > 5% relative to the nominal flow rate.  |
|  | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Flat nozzles (unknown reference)                                  | G4   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/individual deviation too high relative to the average flow rate   | Individual deviation > 5% relative to the average flow rate  |
|  | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Other types of nozzles (known reference)                          | G5   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/too high an average deviation from the nominal flow rate  | Average deviation > 10% relative to the nominal flow rate.   |
|  | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Other types of nozzles (unknown reference)                        | G7   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/individual deviation too high relative to the average flow rate   | Individual deviation > 5% relative to the average flow rate  |
|  | Uniform flow rate of injectors   | G8   | /individual deviation too high relative to the average flow rate  | Individual deviation > 10% relative to average flow rate   |
|  | Symmetrical flow rate of injectors   | G9   | /no left-right symmetry   | Individual deviation > 10 % relative to average flow rate of all symmetrically positioned injectors with the same properties |
| Control system                               | Operation of control system  | H1   | Difference between sprayed quantity/hectare and set or programmed quantity/hectare, poorly calibrated speed/flow/pressure speed/flow/pressure sensors (DPAe) or improperly adjusted spray pump (DPAm) | Deviation > 10% relative to set or programmed volume/hectare   |
|  | Partition block operation  | H2   | Inspection of the operation of the valves closing/opening the main sections   | A single defective valve   |

|       | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement   | Tolerance limits  |
|-------|--|------|--|---|
|       | Operation of pressure control valve  | H3   | Check whether the pressure control valve is operating correctly and reliably by having the machine spray at a number of reference levels and then by closing the main valve at a given spray pressure and reopening it with the PTO at a constant speed of rotation. | Pressure cannot be varied within a range of pressures at which the device is used. Deviation of more than 10 % from the pressure level originally set after closing and reopening the main valve. |
| Leaks | Detection of leaks   | I1   | Check for significant leaks during spraying (significant dynamic leaks)  | Presence of significant dynamic leaks (> 30 ml/min spray liquid and/or oil)   |
|       | Detection of leaks   | I3   | Check for significant static leaks   | Presence of significant static leaks (> 10 ml/min spray liquid and/or oil)  |
|       | Non-compliance issues under Annex 1 part B that were non-compliant at the previous three-year inspection |      |  |   |

**5. Nebulisers (LVM/ and UBLV cold nebulisers, gasoline thermonebulisers and electrofoggers, centrifugal compressed-air sprayers, seed treatment plants) and for all other nebulisers whose operation is based on the same principles**

|                        | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement                                      | Tolerance limits   |
|------------------------|--|------|---|--|
| General condition      | Presence of protection for electrical components                     | A6   | Control panel, cabling, cable connections and male plugs must be in good condition. | - Damaged cables and male plugs and faulty cable connections.<br>- Control panel damaged, unprotected openings, etc.<br>- Poor electrical repairs that are dangerous (e.g. tape) |
|                        | Condition of the earth contact for the appliance                     | A7   | The earth contact must be in good condition.  | - Metal parts not earthed<br>- The resistance between the earth pin of the plug and the metal parts of the device must be 10 Ohm.  |
| Nebulisation nozzle    | Condition of the nebulisation nozzle/curvature                       | D1   | Check curvature of the nebulisation nozzle  | Flame not visible in nebulisation nozzle due to excessive curvature  |
|                        | Condition of nebulisation nozzle/holes due to heat, cracks, breakage | D2   | Inspection of the condition of the nebulisation nozzle                              | Presence of holes due to heat, cracks, breakage  |
| Nebulisation flow rate | Homogeneity of nebulisation nozzles                                  | H1   | Check characteristics of nozzles with measured flow rate                            | A single nozzle with different characteristics (make, type, size) to other nozzles within the same nozzle set  |

|                | Parameter   | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement   | Tolerance limits  |
|----------------|---|------|--|---|
| Control system | Operation of nebulisation start/stop  | I2   | Check operation of components used to start or stop nebulisation/cut-off valves and taps, switch | Malfunction of start/stop function (valve/switch malfunction)         |
|                | Operation of control system   | I4   | Check operation of control system/dosing valve (flow control)/pressure control valve             | The dosing valve or pressure control valve does not work              |
|                | Operation of dosing setting   | I8   | Check operation of electric adjustment of dosing   | Dosing adjustment does not work or is defective                       |
|                | Operation of the thermal resistance   | I9   | Check operation of thermal resistance  | The desired temperature is not reached                                |
|                | Operation of temperature control system   | I10  | Check operation of temperature control system/spray temperature setting/temperature reading      | The temperature adjustment does not work, is defective, or unreadable |
|                | Operation of the overheating protection   | I12  | Check operation of overheating protection  | The temperature continues to rise (> 700 °C) after the fan stops      |
| Leaks          | Leak detection  | J1   | Check for the presence of large leaks  | Presence of large leaks (more than five drops per minute)             |
|                | All of the defects in Annex I part B identified during the previous three-year inspection that have not yet been repaired |      |  |   |

## Part B.

Any non-conformity in relation to the test parameters listed below must be corrected before the next three-year inspection (= Defects to be rectified for next cycle [DRPC]).

### 1. Field sprayers

|                   | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|-------------------|--|------|---|--|
| General condition | Condition and operation of protection for power transmission elements such as cardan shafts, chains, etc., as well as moving parts | A2   | This protection (universal joints, locking systems, etc.) must not display excessive wear, holes or deformations and must operate correctly | Defects and/or poor operation  |
| Filters           | Condition of basket and intake strainer*   | C2   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve  | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
|                   | Condition of intake filter*  | C4   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve  | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
|                   | Pressure filter condition*   | C6   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve  | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
|                   | Condition of section filter(s)*<br><i>*only if a hydraulic problem is identified</i>   | C7   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve  | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
| Spray boom        | Vertical curvature   | D4   | Inspection of curvature in vertical plane for a spray boom $\leq 18$ m long / low curvature   | $15 \text{ cm} < \text{vertical curvature} \leq 30 \text{ cm}$   |
|                   | Vertical curvature   | D6   | Inspection of curvature in vertical plane for a spray boom $> 18$ m long / minor curvature  | $25 \text{ cm} < \text{vertical curvature} \leq 50 \text{ cm}$   |
|                   | Suspension system  | D8   | Check whether spray-boom returns to horizontal position / suspension too loose  | No return in under three oscillations  |
|                   | Suspension system  | D9   | Check whether spray-boom returns to horizontal position / suspension too tight  | No return  |
|                   | Spacing of nozzle holders  | D10  | Measurement of the spacing between nozzle holders   | Deviation $> 10 \%$ of initial spacing   |
|                   | Verticality of nozzle holders  | D11  | Inspection of verticality of nozzle holders /lack of maintenance  | Deviation from the vertical position in one of the two directions exceeding $10^\circ$ from the position originally planned at construction.                     |
|                   | Condition of protective devices of nozzles at the ends for spray booms with a working width $\geq 10$ m                            | D14  | Check condition of protection on nozzle ends  | Defects in protection on nozzle ends   |
|                   | Operation of hinges and ends of spray boom sections  | D15  | Inspection of behaviour of the spray boom and collapsible ends after loads  | Significant play in hinges<br>*collapsible ends do not return to working position<br>*total play at both ends must not exceed 1.5 metres in the horizontal plane |



|                          | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|--------------------------|--|------|---|--|
|                          | Adjustment of spray boom height  | D16  | Inspection of operation of the spray boom height adjustment system.   | Defects in the spray boom height adjustment system as originally designed by the manufacturer.     |
|                          | Condition of the system for locking the spray boom during transportation                                   | D18  | The spray boom must be able to be reliably locked during transportation   | Defects in the system for locking the spray boom during transportation                             |
| Obstacles                | Obstacles in the spray range   | E1   | Detection of foreign objects (string, pipes, etc.) in the spray jet/lack of maintenance   | Presence of obstacles in the spray range   |
| Pressure stability       | Stability of spray pressure  | G3   | Check for rapid oscillations of the manometer needle that hinder pressure reading<br>/aspiration of air   | Pressure cannot be read on the manometer (oscillating needle)                                      |
| Pressure balance         | Pressure balance between spray boom sections   | I3   | Pressure deviations between test manometers on spray boom sections and average spray pressure<br>/ poorly operating filters on spray boom sections                              | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to average spray pressure                              |
| Compensatory return      | Operation of compensatory return   | J3   | Pressure deviation relative to initial pressure during sequential closure of spray boom sections<br>/defects (clogging, etc.)   | A single pressure deviation > 10 % of the reference pressure (start of section)                    |
| Pressure loss            | Pressure loss in discharge pipe sections*<br>* <i>only if the presence of a pressure loss is suspected</i> | K    | Check for pressure losses within the spray boom sections  | Pressure reduction > 10 % of reference pressure (start of section)                                 |
| Flow rate of the nozzles | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Flat nozzles (known reference)  | L3   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/average deviation within tolerances but individual deviation too high relative to nominal flow rate | Average deviation ≤ 5 % and a single individual deviation<br>> 10 % relative to nominal flow rate  |
|                          | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Other types of nozzles (known reference)                                | L6   | Deviation of the flow rate of inspected nozzles relative to a reference<br>/too high an average deviation from the nominal flow rate  | Average deviation ≤ 10 % and a single individual deviation<br>> 15 % relative to nominal flow rate |
| Leaks                    | Detection of leaks   | N2   | Inspection for presence of minor dynamic leaks  | Presence of minor dynamic leaks (≤ 30 ml/min spray liquid and/or oil)                              |
|                          | Detection of leaks   | N6   | Inspection for presence of minor static leaks   | Presence of minor static leaks (≤ 10 ml/min) spray liquid and/or oil)                              |
|                          | Operation of anti-drip system  | N4   | Assessment of the extent of dripping from nozzles five seconds after spray jet has stopped  | Presence of dripping from nozzles 5 sec after the jet stops  |

## 2. Orchard sprayers

|                          | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|--------------------------|--|------|---|--|
| General condition        | Condition and operation of protection for power transmission elements such as cardan shafts, chains, etc., as well as moving parts | A2   | This protection (universal joints, locking systems, etc.) must not display excessive wear, holes or deformations and must operate correctly       | Defects and/or poor operation  |
| Filters                  | Condition of filter basket/intake strainer*  | C2   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve  | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
|                          | Condition of intake filter*  | C4   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve  | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
|                          | Pressure filter condition*   | C6   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve  | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
|                          | Condition of section filter(s)*<br>* <i>only if a hydraulic problem is detected</i>  | C7   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve  | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
| Discharge pipe           | Attachment of discharge pipe   | D2   | Examination of firmness of attachment of fastening pipe to tank   | Attachment not firm  |
|                          | Equal distances between nozzle holders   | D3   | Measure whether spacing between nozzle holders is symmetrical on left and right   | Spacing difference (no left-right symmetry) > 3 cm   |
|                          | Symmetry in position of nozzle holders   | D4   | Measurement of whether angles of nozzle holders are symmetrical left and right  | Difference in angular position (no left-right symmetry) > 10°  |
| Obstacles                | Obstacles in spray range and fan airflow   | E1   | Detection of foreign objects (string, pipes, etc.) in the spray jet and fan airflow   | Presence of obstacles in the spray jet and fan airflow/lack of maintenance   |
| Pressure stability       | Stability of spray pressure  | G3   | Check manometer needle for rapid oscillations that prevent pressure from being read /aspiration of air  | Pressure cannot be read on the manometer (needle oscillating)  |
| Pressure balance         | Pressure balance between sections of the discharge pipe  | I3   | Pressure differences between test manometers on discharge pipe sections and average spray pressure / defective filters on discharge pipe sections | A single pressure deviation in a section > 10 % relative to average spray pressure   |
| Compensatory return      | Operation of compensatory return of discharge pipe sections  | J3   | Pressure deviation relative to initial pressure during sequential closure of discharge pipe sections /defects (dirt, etc.)                        | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to the initial spray pressure  |
| Pressure loss            | Pressure losses in discharge pipe sections*<br>* <i>only if the presence of a pressure loss is suspected</i>                       | K    | Inspection of pressure losses within discharge pipe sections  | Pressure reduction > 10 % of reference pressure (start of section)   |
| Flow rate of the nozzles | Testing nozzles mounted on sprayer (known reference)   | L2   | Average deviation within permitted limits but individual deviation too high relative to nominal flow rate   | Average deviation ≤ 5 % (flat nozzles) or ≤ 10 % (vertebral nozzles) and individual deviation > 10 % (flat nozzles) or > 15 % (vertebral nozzles) relative to nominal flow rate. |

|                | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement   | Tolerance limits   |
|----------------|--|------|--|--|
|                | Test of nozzles removed from the sprayer (only if significant deviations are identified) (known reference) | L4   | Average deviation within permitted limits but individual deviation too high relative to nominal flow rate              | Average deviation $\leq 5\%$ (flat nozzles) or $\leq 10\%$ (vertebral nozzles) and individual deviation $> 10\%$ (flat nozzles) or $> 15\%$ (vertebral nozzles) relative to nominal flow rate. |
| Nozzle holders | Condition of nozzle holders  | M1   | Pressure deviation in each nozzle holder relative to average spray pressure /lack of maintenance, clogging, filters, Y | A single pressure deviation $> 10\%$ relative to average spray pressure  |
| Leaks          | Detection of leaks   | O2   | Inspection for presence of minor dynamic leaks   | Presence of minor dynamic leaks ( $\leq 30$ ml/min spray liquid and/or oil)  |
|                | Detection of leaks   | O6   | Inspection for presence of minor static leaks  | Presence of minor static leaks ( $\leq 10$ ml/min) spray liquid and/or oil)  |
|                | Operation of anti-drip system  | O4   | Assessment of the extent of dripping from nozzles five seconds after spray jet has stopped                             | Presence of dripping from nozzles 5 sec after the jet stops  |

### 3. Boom sprayers for horticulture and floriculture

|  | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement   | Tolerance limits   |
|--|--|------|--|--|
| General condition  | Condition and operation of protection for power transmission elements such as cardan shafts, chains, etc., as well as moving parts | A2   | This protection (universal joints, protective sleeve, locking systems, etc.) must not display excessive wear, holes or deformations and must operate correctly | Defects and/or clear signs of poor operation   |
| Filters  | Condition of filter basket/intake strainer*  | C2   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve   | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
|  | Condition of intake filter*  | C4   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve   | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
|  | Pressure filter condition*   | C6   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve   | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
|  | Condition of section filter(s)*<br>* <i>only if a hydraulic problem is detected</i>  | C7   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve   | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
| Horizontal spray boom (or beams for vertical branches D1–D7) | Vertical curvature   | D4   | Examination of curvature in vertical plane for spray boom $\leq 12$ m long / low curvature   | $10\text{ cm} < \text{vertical curvature} \leq 20\text{ cm}$   |
|  |  | D6   | Examination of curvature in vertical plane for spray boom $> 12$ m long / low curvature  | $20\text{ cm} < \text{vertical curvature} \leq 40\text{ cm}$   |
|  | Spacing of nozzle holders  | D8   | Measurement of the spacing between nozzle holders  | Deviation $> 10\%$ of initial spacing  |
|  | Verticality of nozzle holders  | D9   | Inspection of verticality of nozzle holders /lack of maintenance   | Deviation from the vertical position in one of the two directions exceeding $10^\circ$ from the position originally planned at construction. |

|                     | Parameter   | Code   | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|---------------------|---|--------|---|--|
|                     | Operation of hinges and ends of spray boom sections               | D11    | Inspection of behaviour of the spray boom and collapsible ends after loads  | Significant play in hinges<br>*collapsible ends do not return to working position<br>*total play at both ends must not exceed 1.5 metres in the horizontal plane |
|                     | Spray boom height adjustment                                      | D12    | Checking operation of the spray boom height adjustment system   | Lack of ability to control the height of the spray boom  |
| Vertical spray boom | Straightness of spray boom/branches                               | D2bis  | Examination to establish whether the spray boom/branch is perpendicular to the sprayer platform in both the longitudinal and transverse axes. | Deviation from the perpendicular position exceeding 5° in one of the two axes<br>/lack of maintenance  |
|                     | Straightness of spraying nozzles                                  | D4bis  | Examination to check whether the nozzles are mounted perpendicular to the boom/section  | Nozzle in non-perpendicular position<br>/lack of maintenance   |
|                     | Spacing of nozzle holders   | D6bis  | Measurement of the spacing between each nozzle holder   | Deviation > 10 % of initial spacing  |
|                     | Symmetrical distance between nozzles                              | D7bis  | Measurement to establish whether the distance between nozzle holders on left and right in the sprayer branch configurations is symmetrical    | Distance different by > 3 cm (no left-right symmetry)  |
|                     | Symmetry in position of nozzle holders                            | D8bis  | Measure whether angle of nozzle holders in the vertical plane in spray section configurations is symmetrical from left to right               | Different distance (no left-right symmetry) > 10°  |
|                     | Operation of hinges   | D9bis  | Inspection of behaviour of the spray boom and collapsible ends after loads  | Significant play in hinges: spray boom does not return to working position   |
|                     | Condition and operation of attachment points and width adjustment | D10bis | Behaviour after use   | Play or defects (e.g. cracks) at the attachment points<br>Width adjustment defective   |
|                     | Spray boom height adjustment                                      | D11bis | Checking operation of the spray boom height adjustment system   | Defect in the spray boom height adjustment system.   |
| Obstacles           | Obstacles in the spray range                                      | E1     | Detection of foreign objects (string, pipes, etc.) in the spray jet/lack of maintenance   | Presence of obstacles in the spray range   |
| Pressure stability  | Stability of spray pressure                                       | G3     | Check for rapid oscillations of the manometer needle that hinder pressure reading<br>/aspiration of air                                       | Pressure cannot be read on the manometer (oscillating needle)  |
|                     | Stability of spray pressure                                       | G5     | Check pressure fluctuations when fluctuation can be read on the manometer   | Pressure fluctuation > 10 % relative to average spray pressure   |

|                          | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|--------------------------|--|------|---|--|
| Pressure balance         | Pressure balance between spray boom sections   | I3   | Pressure deviations between test manometers on spray boom sections and average spray pressure / poorly operating filters on spray boom sections | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to average spray pressure                        |
|                          | Operation of compensatory return   | J3   | Pressure deviation relative to initial pressure during sequential closure of spray boom sections /defects (clogging, etc.)                      | A single pressure deviation > 10 % of the reference pressure (start of section)              |
| Compensatory return      | Pressure loss in discharge pipe sections*<br>* <i>only if the presence of a pressure loss is suspected</i> | K    | Check for pressure losses within the spray boom sections  | Pressure reduction > 10 % of reference pressure (start of section)                           |
| Pressure loss            | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Flat nozzles (known reference)  | L3   | Average deviation within tolerances but individual deviation too high relative to nominal flow rate   | Average deviation ≤ 5 % and single individual deviation > 10 % relative to nominal flow rate |
| Flow rate of the nozzles | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Other types of nozzles (known reference)                                | L6   | Average deviation within tolerances but individual deviation too high relative to nominal flow rate   | Average deviation ≤ 10 % and single deviation > 15 % relative to the nominal flow rate       |
| Control system           | Operation of control system  | M2   | Difference between concentration sprayed and concentration set<br>Injection pump malfunction  | Deviation > 10 % relative to concentration set   |
| Leaks                    | Detection of leaks   | N2   | Inspection for presence of minor dynamic leaks  | Presence of minor dynamic leaks (≤ 30 ml/min spray liquid and/or oil)                        |
|                          | Detection of leaks   | N6   | Inspection for presence of minor static leaks   | Presence of minor static leaks (≤ 10 ml/min) spray liquid and/or oil)                        |
|                          | Operation of anti-drip system  | N4   | Assessment of the extent of dripping from nozzles five seconds after spray jet has stopped  | Presence of dripping 5 sec after the jet stops   |

#### 4. Sprayers for soil disinfection

|                   | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits              |
|-------------------|--|------|---|-------------------------------|
| General condition | Condition and operation of protection for power transmission elements such as cardan shafts, chains, etc., as well as moving parts | A2   | This protection (universal joints, locking systems, etc.) must not display excessive wear, holes or deformations and must operate correctly | Defects and/or poor operation |

|  | Parameter   | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|--|---|------|---|--|
|  | Sprayer venting: Safety of sprayer venting and/or overpressure valve                  | A3   | No overpressure valve and/or potentially dangerous spray tank venting                               | No overpressure valve and/or venting of the appliance can occur accidentally or in an unsafe manner. |
| Filters                                      | Condition of filter on pressure pipe<br><i>((only in case of hydraulic problems))</i> | C2   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve  | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
|  | Condition of nozzle filters<br><i>((only in case of hydraulic problems))</i>          | C4   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve  | Defective and/or clogged sieve   |
|  | Condition of pneumatic filters<br>(only in case of pneumatic problems)                | C6   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of filter   | Defective and/or clogged filter  |
| Coulters                                     | Uniformity of coulters  | D1   | Inspection for uniformity: symmetrical placement, coulters working depth, condition of coulters     | No uniformity  |
|  | Protection of 'spray units' (nozzles, injectors, etc.)                                | D2   | Inspection of extent of protection against damage and blockages.                                    | No protection or insufficient protection   |
| Pressure stability                           | Stability of spray pressure   | E    | Check constant pressure when spraying with partially filled tank                                    | Fluctuation of pressure during spraying: pressure difference > 10 % when spraying for 1 minute.      |
| Individual flow rate of nozzles or injectors | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Flat nozzles (known reference)                     | G3   | Average deviation within tolerances but individual deviation too high relative to nominal flow rate | Average deviation ≤ 5 % and a single individual deviation > 10 % relative to nominal flow rate       |
|  | Flow rate of spraying nozzles<br>- Other types of nozzles (known reference)           | G6   | Average deviation within tolerances but individual deviation too high relative to nominal flow rate | Average deviation ≤ 10 % and a single individual deviation > 15 % relative to nominal flow rate      |
| Leaks  | Detection of leaks  | I2   | Inspection for presence of minor dynamic leaks  | Presence of minor dynamic leaks (≤ 30 ml/min spray liquid and/or oil)                                |
|  | Detection of leaks  | I4   | Inspection for presence of minor static leaks   | Presence of minor static leaks (≤ 10 ml/min) spray liquid and/or oil)                                |
| Compressor                                   | Operation of compressor   | J    | Check compressor operation  | Compressor operates poorly (blocked filter, etc.)  |
| Pump   | Pump operation  | K    | Detection of pressure problems  | Insufficient pump capacity, impossible to maintain working pressure or the prescribed flow rate.     |

**5. Nebulisers (LVM/ and UBLV cold nebulisers, gasoline thermonebulisers and electrofoggers, centrifugal compressed-air sprayers, seed treatment plants) and for all other nebulisers whose operation is based on the same principles**

|                      | Parameter   | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement   | Tolerance limits  |
|----------------------|---|------|--|---|
| General condition    | Condition and operation of protection for power transmission elements such as chains, belts, etc. as well as moving parts | A2   | This protection (cowlings, locking systems, etc.) must not display excessive wear, holes or deformations and must operate correctly                      | Defects and/or poor operation   |
|                      | Condition of the fan and of the start/stop function   | A3   | Check condition of blades, bearings (abnormal noise), deflection plates and housing. Check operation of start/stop function or of fan clutch if present. | Fan blades, deflectors and/or housing are clearly damaged. Malfunction of start/stop function or of activation system |
|                      | General condition of the pipes  | A4   | Inspection of pipes: twists, bends, embrittlement, bulging of pipe, holes, crushing, poor connections, etc.  | The pipes are embrittled, badly repaired (adhesive tape), damaged, stretched, bent and/or too tightly curved          |
|                      | Presence and condition of spray pipe heat protection  | A5   | Check for presence and condition of spray nozzle heat protection   | Nozzle heat protection is absent, poorly attached or in poor condition  |
| Tank                 | Presence of overpressure valve  | B5   | Check for presence of an overpressure valve  | Absence of overpressure valve in the compressed air circuit   |
| Filters              | Condition of basket/intake strainer*  | C2   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve   | Sieve damaged and/or clogged  |
|                      | Condition of intake filter*   | C4   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve   | Sieve damaged and/or clogged  |
|                      | Condition of pressure filter*   | C6   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve   | Sieve damaged and/or clogged  |
|                      | Condition of air intake filter*   | C8   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve   | Sieve damaged and/or clogged  |
|                      | <i>*only if a hydraulic problem is detected</i><br>Condition of nozzle filter(s)  | C9   | Inspection of condition and/or clogging of sieve   | Sieve damaged and/or clogged  |
| Nebulisation nozzle  | Condition of nebulisation nozzle / clogging of nozzle   | D3   | Inspection of the condition of the nebulisation nozzle   | Interior of clogged nozzle  |
| Obstacles            | Obstacles in the nebulisation spray   | E1   | Detection of foreign objects (string, pipes, etc.) in the nebulisation spray / lack of maintenance   | Presence of obstacles in the nebulisation spray   |
| Measuring instrument | Operation of hydraulic and pneumatic manometers (if they are removable)   | G3   | Pressure deviations between working and reference manometers   | Deviation > 10 % reference pressure   |
|                      | Flow meter operation  | G4   | Flow rate deviations between working and reference flow meters   | Deviation > 10 % relative to the measured flow rate   |
| Nebulisation rate    | flow<br>Condition of nebulisation nozzle(s) and deflectors  | H2   | Check condition of nebulisation nozzle(s) and deflectors   | Nebulisation nozzle(s) or restriction plates clogged or damaged. Nebulisation deflectors damaged or clogged           |

|                | Parameter                                 | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement   | Tolerance limits  |
|----------------|---|------|--|---|
|                | Size and dimensions of nebulisation spray | H3   | Inspection of nebulisation spray   | Nebulisation spray is irregular, large drops fall from the nebulisation nozzle  |
|                | Nebulisation flow rate                    | H4   | Deviation of nebulisation flow rate too high relative to reference   | Deviation > 25 % of actual nebulisation flow rate relative to defined flow rate   |
| Control system | Operation of indicator lights             | I3   | Check operation of indicator lights on the device / indicator lights are not working or are not visible enough | Indicator lights not working or working improperly  |
|                | Operation of carburettor                  | I5   | Check whether the carburettor can be set so that combustion can be adjusted                                    | Carburettor regulation does not work  |
|                | Nebuliser start-up                        | I6   | Inspection of nebuliser start-up   | The nebuliser does not start up or starts with difficulty due to ignition, fuel supply, injection pump or compressor issues   |
|                | Combustion process in the nebuliser       | I7   | Combustion process   | The flame leaves the combustion chamber (= risk of plant protection products burning) and/or the engine is not working correctly (e.g. blocked air aspiration membrane) |
|                |   |      |  |   |
| Leaks          | Leak detection                            | J2   | Inspection for the presence of minor leaks   | Presence of minor leaks (fewer than five drops per minute)  |
| Pump           | Pump operation                            | K    | Check pump working correctly   | Defined pump flow rate deviates from actual measured pump flow rate by more than 10 %   |

### Part C.

Any non-conformity in relation to the inspection parameters listed below (= Defects to be monitored [DO]) must be followed up to ensure correct operation and maintenance of the equipment.

#### 1. Field sprayers

|                   | Parameter   | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|-------------------|---|------|---|--|
| General condition | Maintenance condition of sprayer                  | A1   | Presence/absence of bits of string, wire, rust, etc.  | Visible signs of poor maintenance                                |
| Level gauge       | Presence/absence                                  | B1   | Presence/absence of level gauge   | Absence of level gauge   |
|                   | Readability                                       | B2   | Indication of the liquid level is assessed from the operator's position and the sprayer filling point | Liquid level in the tank not visible by means of the level gauge |
| Filters           | Presence/absence of filter basket/intake strainer | C1   | Presence/absence of filter basket/intake strainer   | Absence of filter basket/intake strainer                         |
|                   | Presence/absence of intake filter                 | C3   | Presence/absence of pump intake filter  | Absence of intake filter   |
|                   | Presence/absence of pump outlet filter            | C5   | Presence/absence of pump outlet filter  | Absence of pump outlet filter                                    |



|                          | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits  |
|--------------------------|--|------|---|---|
| Spray boom               | Horizontal curvature   | D2   | Inspection of curvature in horizontal plane / low curvature   | 25 cm < horizontal curvature < 50 cm  |
|                          | Verticality of nozzle holders  | D12  | Inspection of verticality of nozzle holders /relating to construction   | Not vertical  |
|                          | Presence/absence of protection for nozzle ends on spray booms with a working width $\geq$ 10 m | D13  | Check for protection for nozzle ends on spray booms $\geq$ 10 m to avoid any damage to nozzles when the spray boom hits the ground  | No protection device for nozzle ends  |
|                          | Presence/absence of a system for locking the spray boom during transportation                  | D17  | Check for a system for locking the spray boom during transportation   | No system for locking the spray boom during transportation                      |
| Obstacles                | Obstacles in the spray range   | E2   | Detection of obstacles (chassis, piping, etc.) in the spray jet/in connection with the construction   | Presence of obstacles in the spray range  |
| Stirring system          | Stirring of liquid in tank   | F    | The intensity of the stirring in the main tank is checked during spraying with nozzles of the largest nozzle size present on the machine, at the maximum pressure level recommended by the manufacturer of the sprayer or nozzles | No stirring or insufficiently visually observable stirring                      |
| Pressure stability       | Stability of spray pressure  | G2   | Check for rapid oscillations of the manometer needle that hinder pressure reading /incorrect pressure in the air chamber  | Pressure cannot be read on the manometer (oscillating needle)                   |
| Manometer <sup>(1)</sup> | Readability of manometer   | H2   | Readability of scales from operator's position  | Scale range > 0.2 bar and/or diameter < 63 mm                                   |
|                          | Operation of manometer (mounted)   | H3   | Pressure differences between the working manometer mounted on the sprayer and the test manometer on the spray boom  | Deviation > 10% of the reference pressure                                       |
| Pressure balance         | Nozzle holders   | I6   | Pressure deviation in each nozzle holder relative to average spray pressure / lack of maintenance (dirt, filters, etc.)   | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to average spray pressure           |
| Compensatory return      | Operation of compensatory return   | J1   | Pressure deviation relative to initial pressure during sequential closure of spray boom sections /absence   | A single pressure deviation > 10 % of the reference pressure (start of section) |
|                          | Operation of compensatory return   | J2   | Pressure deviation relative to initial pressure during sequential closure of spray boom sections /incorrect adjustment of return  | A single pressure deviation > 10 % of the reference pressure (start of section) |

|                | Parameter   | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits  |
|----------------|---|------|---|---|
| Control system | Accessibility and legibility of the measuring and control devices | M1   | All measuring instruments (computer, pressure/flow indicators, etc.), as well as control system commands and cut-off valves of various spray boom sections must be accessible and/or visible from the operator's position | One of the measuring instruments and/or one of the controls is not accessible and/or visible. (note: movement of the head and upper body is acceptable) |

## 2. Orchard sprayers

|                          | Parameter   | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|--------------------------|---|------|---|--|
| General condition        | Maintenance condition of sprayer                            | A1   | Presence/absence of bits of string, wire, rust, etc.  | Visible signs of poor maintenance  |
| Level gauge              | Presence/absence  | B1   | Presence/absence of level gauge   | Absence of level gauge   |
|                          | Readability   | B2   | Indication of the liquid level is assessed from the operator's position and the sprayer filling point   | Liquid level in the tank not visible by means of the level gauge                       |
| Filters                  | Presence/absence of filter basket when filling tank         | C1   | Presence/absence of filter basket when filling tank   | Absence of filter basket/intake strainer   |
|                          | Presence/absence of intake filter                           | C3   | Presence/absence of pump intake filter  | Absence of intake filter   |
|                          | Presence/absence of pump outlet filter                      | C5   | Presence/absence of pump outlet filter  | Absence of pump outlet filter  |
| Obstacles                | Obstacles in spray range and fan airflow                    | E2   | Detection of obstacles (chassis, piping, etc.) in the spray jet and in the fan airflow  | Presence of obstacles in the spray jet and in the fan airflow/construction             |
| Stirring system          | Stirring of liquid in tank                                  | F    | The intensity of the stirring in the main tank is checked during spraying with nozzles of the largest nozzle size present on the machine, at the maximum pressure level recommended by the manufacturer of the sprayer or nozzles | No stirring or insufficiently visually observable stirring                             |
| Pressure stability       | Stability of spray pressure                                 | G2   | Check for rapid oscillations of the manometer needle that hinder pressure reading<br>/incorrect pressure in the air chamber   | Pressure cannot be read on the manometer (oscillating needle)                          |
| Manometer <sup>(1)</sup> | Readability of manometer                                    | H2   | Readability of scales from operator's position  | Scale range > 0.2 bar to 5 bar and/or > 1 bar to 20 bar and/or diameter of box < 63 mm |
|                          | Operation of manometer (mounted)                            | H3   | Pressure differences between the working manometer mounted on the sprayer and the test manometer mounted on the discharge pipe  | Deviation > 10% of the reference pressure  |
| Compensatory return      | Operation of compensatory return of discharge pipe sections | J1   | Pressure deviation relative to initial pressure during sequential closure of discharge pipe sections<br>/absence  | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to the initial spray pressure              |
|                          | Operation of compensatory return of discharge pipe sections | J2   | Pressure deviation relative to initial pressure during sequential closure of discharge pipe sections<br>/incorrect adjustment of return   | A single pressure deviation > 10 % relative to the initial spray pressure              |

|                | Parameter   | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement   | Tolerance limits  |
|----------------|---|------|--|---|
| Control system | Accessibility and legibility of the measuring and control devices | N1   | All measuring instruments (computer, pressure/flow indicators, etc.), as well as control system commands and cut-off valves of various sections of the sprayer discharge pipe must be accessible and/or visible from the operator's position | One of the measuring instruments and/or one of the controls is not accessible and/or visible. (note: movement of the head and upper body is acceptable) |

### 3. Boom sprayers for horticulture and floriculture

|  | Parameter   | Code  | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|--|---|-------|---|--|
| General condition  | Maintenance condition of sprayer                  | A1    | Presence/absence of bits of string, wire, rust, etc.  | Visible signs of poor maintenance  |
| Level gauge  | Presence/absence                                  | B1    | Presence/absence of level gauge   | Absence of level gauge   |
|  | Readability                                       | B2    | Indication of the liquid level is assessed from the operator's position and the sprayer filling point   | Liquid level in the tank not visible by means of the level gauge                                     |
| Filters  | Presence/absence of filter basket/intake strainer | C1    | Presence/absence of filter basket/intake strainer   | Absence of filter basket/intake strainer   |
|  | Presence/absence of intake filter                 | C3    | Presence/absence of pump intake filter  | Absence of intake filter   |
|  | Presence/absence of pump outlet filter            | C5    | Presence/absence of pump outlet filter  | Absence of pump outlet filter  |
| Horizontal spray boom (or beams for vertical branches D1–D7) | Horizontal curvature                              | D2    | Inspection of curvature in horizontal plane /low curvature  | 20 cm < horizontal curvature ≤ 40 cm   |
|  | Verticality of nozzle holders                     | D10   | Inspection of verticality of nozzle holders /to construction  | Not vertical   |
| Vertical spray boom  | Straightness of spray boom/branches               | D3bis | Examination to establish whether the spray boom/branch is perpendicular to the sprayer platform in both the longitudinal and transverse axes.                               | Deviation from the perpendicular position exceeding 5° in one of the two axes<br>/construction error |
|  | Straightness of spraying nozzles                  | D5bis | Examination to check whether the nozzles are mounted perpendicular to the boom/section  | Nozzle in non-perpendicular position<br>/construction error  |
| Obstacles  | Obstacles in the spray range                      | E2    | Detection of obstacles (chassis, piping, etc.) in the spray jet/in connection with the construction   | Presence of obstacles in the spray range   |
| Stirring system  | Stirring of liquid in tank                        | F     | Intensity of stirring in the main tank is checked during spraying with nozzles of the largest nozzle size present on the machine, at the maximum pressure level recommended | No stirring or insufficiently visually observable stirring   |
| Pressure stability   | Stability of spray pressure                       | G2    | Check for rapid oscillations of the manometer needle that hinder pressure reading<br>/incorrect pressure in the air chamber   | Pressure cannot be read on the manometer (oscillating needle)  |
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|                          | Parameter   | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement   | Tolerance limits  |
|--------------------------|---|------|--|---|
| Manometer <sup>(1)</sup> | Readability of manometer  | H2   | Readability of scales from operator's position   | Scale range > 0.2 bar up to 5 bar and/or > 1 bar up to 20 bar and/or diameter < 63 mm   |
|                          | Operation of manometer (mounted)                                  | H3   | Pressure differences between the working manometer mounted on the sprayer and the test manometer on the spray boom   | Deviation > 10% of the reference pressure   |
|                          | Operation of compensatory return                                  | J1   | Pressure deviation relative to initial pressure during sequential closure of spray boom sections<br>/absence of compensatory regulation  | A single pressure deviation > 10 % of the reference pressure (start of section)   |
| Compensatory return      | Operation of compensatory return                                  | J2   | Pressure deviation relative to initial pressure during sequential closure of spray boom sections<br>/incorrect adjustment of compensatory regulation return  | A single pressure deviation > 10 % of the reference pressure (start of section)   |
| Control system           | Accessibility and legibility of the measuring and control devices | M1   | All measuring instruments (computer, pressure/flow indicators, etc.), as well as control system commands and cut-off valves of various sections of the spray boom must be accessible and/or visible from the operator's position | One of the measuring devices and/or one of the controls is not accessible and/or visible. (note: movement of the head and upper body is acceptable) |

#### 4. Sprayers for soil disinfection

|                   | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement   | Tolerance limits  |
|-------------------|--|------|--|---|
| General condition | Maintenance condition of sprayer   | A1   | Presence/absence of bits of string, wire, rust, etc. Cleanliness of the sprayer (spray residue, mud, grease, etc.) | Visible signs of poor maintenance                                   |
| Level gauge       | Presence/absence   | B1   | Presence/absence of level gauge  | Absence of level gauge  |
|                   | Readability  | B2   | Indication of liquid level is assessed from the operator's position and the filling point                          | Liquid level in the tank not visible by means of the level gauge    |
| Filters           | Presence/absence of outlet filter  | C1   | Presence/absence of outlet filter  | Absence of filter on pressure pipe                                  |
|                   | Presence/absence of nozzle filters   | C3   | Presence/absence of nozzle filters   | No nozzle filters   |
|                   | Presence/absence of pneumatic filter (compressor air intake)                     | C5   | Presence/absence of pneumatic filter at compressor intake  | No pneumatic filters  |
| Measuring devices | Readability of working manometer and/or flow-meter from the operator's position. | F2   | Readability of scales from operator's position   | Scales difficult to read or unreadable from the operator's position |

**5. Nebulisers (LVM/ and UBLV cold nebulisers, gasoline thermonebulisers and electrofoggers, centrifugal compressed-air sprayers, seed treatment plants) and for all other nebulisers whose operation is based on the same principles**

|                      | Parameter  | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|----------------------|--|------|---|--|
| General condition    | Maintenance condition of nebuliser   | A1   | Presence of bits of string, wire, rust, damaged instruction stickers, etc.                          | Clear signs of poor maintenance  |
| Tank                 | Presence/absence   | B1   | Presence/absence of level gauge   | Absence of level gauge   |
|                      | Readability  | B2   | Indication of liquid level is assessed from the operator's position and the nebuliser filling point | Liquid level in the tank not visible by means of level gauges  |
|                      | Draining and cleaning the spray tank   | B3   | Check whether spray tank can be emptied and cleaned   | Spray tank cannot be fully drained and/or cleaned properly (no drain opening with a plug or tap, no drain pipe, etc.), potential spray residue cannot be recovered without risk of contamination for the user and/or the environment |
|                      | Presence and condition of tank cover and seal  | B4   | Presence and condition of tank cover and seal   | No tank cover, tank cover and/or seal in poor condition, tank cannot be closed properly.   |
| Filters              | Presence/absence of basket/intake strainer   | C1   | Presence/absence of basket/intake strainer  | No basket/intake strainer  |
|                      | Presence/absence of intake filter  | C3   | Presence/absence of intake filter   | No intake filter   |
|                      | Presence/absence of outlet filter  | C5   | Presence/absence of outlet filter   | No outlet filter   |
|                      | Presence/absence of air intake filter  | C7   | Presence/absence of air intake filter   | No air intake filter   |
| Obstacles            | Obstacles in the nebulisation spray  | E2   | Detection of obstacles (chassis, piping) in the nebulisation spray / relating to construction       | Presence of obstacles in the nebulisation spray  |
| Stirring system      | Stirring of liquid in tank   | F    | Examination of intensity of stirring in spray tank when sprayer is in normal operation              | No stirring or insufficient stirring from a visual perspective   |
| Measuring instrument | Presence of a measuring instrument on the nebuliser: manometer(s) and/or flow-meter(s) | G1   | Check presence of manometer in supply lines and/or flow meter in hydraulic supply line              | No measuring instrument present on the device (neither manometer nor flow meter)   |
|                      | Readability and scale of manometer and/or flow meter                                   | G2   | Readability and scale of measuring device   | Measuring scale outside range of use and/or measuring instrument difficult to read or illegible from the working position  |

|                            | Parameter   | Code | Element examined by observation or measurement  | Tolerance limits   |
|----------------------------|---|------|---|--|
| Control system             | Accessibility and legibility of measuring and control equipment | I1   | All measuring instruments (computer, manometers/flow meters, etc.) as well as control system activation and cut-off valves of various sections of the spray boom must be accessible and/or visible from the normal operating position | One of the measuring instruments and/or one of the elements enabling operation of the system is not accessible and/or visible from the normal working position |
|                            | Operation of temperature probe in nebulisation nozzle           | I11  | Check operation of temperature probe in nebulisation nozzle   | The temperature measured in the nebulisation nozzle deviates by more than 15 % from the defined temperature  |
| Compressor/fan/vacuum pump | Maintenance condition of the compressor or fan or vacuum pump   | L1   | Check maintenance condition of compressor/fan/vacuum pump   | Poor maintenance of compressor/fan/vacuum pump: Significant clogging, oil leaks, worn belts  |
|                            | Maintenance condition of the air circuit                        | L2   | Inspection of the maintenance condition of the air circuit  | Poor condition of compressed air hoses, poor connections, clogged air filters, air circuit components in poor condition  |

(1) Manometer = either a conventional analogue manometer or a pressure sensor in combination with a digital readout.'

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The Minister for Agriculture,

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Annex 4

Template self-adhesive vignette issued in accordance with Article 6 of this Order





The colour of the vignettes shall alternate as follows:

| Period of issue                    | Colour                                     |
|------------------------------------|--|
| 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2028 | Blue vignette with a black border          |
| 1 January 2029 to 31 December 2031 | Yellow-orange vignette with a black border |
| 1 January 2032 to 31 December 2034 | Green vignette with a black border         |

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**Annex 5: Inspection methods**

Sprayers are inspected in accordance with the methods set out below. Inspection criteria are assessed with visual tests or measurements.

A. Description of the inspection method for field sprayers and all other sprayers whose operation is based on the same principle

|                   | Code      |             | Inspection method   |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| General condition | A1        | Visual test | The maintenance condition of the sprayer is checked: presence of foreign objects such as bits of string, wire, excessive rust, lack of lubrication, etc.  |
|                   | A2        | Visual test | The condition and operation of protection for power transmission elements such as cardan shafts, chains, etc. are checked, as are moving parts.   |
|                   | A3        | Visual test | Check whether attachment points from spray boom to chassis are secure.  |
| Level gauge       |           |             | The level of the liquid in the tank is assessed (by means of a transparent pipe, a float, directly through the wall of the tank, etc.) from the operator's position and from the filling point.                       |
| Sprayer tank      | B1        | Visual test | Presence of level gauge is checked.   |
|                   | B2        | Visual test | Legibility of the level gauge is checked.   |
| Filters           |           |             | Presence or absence of filters is checked. The condition of the filters is only checked in the event of hydraulic problems (pressure differences, pressure drops, pressure fluctuation, insufficient pressure, etc.). |
|                   | C1 and C2 | Visual test | When filling the main tank: filter basket at manhole level, intake strainer at filler pipe level, etc.  |

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|------------|-------------|-------------|--|
|            | C3 and C4   | Visual test | At spray liquid intake: pump intake filter.  |
|            | C5 and C6   | Visual test | At the pump outlet: outlet filter between the pump and the pressure regulator.   |
|            | C7          | Visual test | On the spray boom sections: spray boom section filter(s).  |
| Spray boom | D1          | Visual test | The symmetry of the spray boom in relation to its attachment points on the chassis is assessed, as is its general condition.<br><br>The symmetry of the spray boom is not an obligation if the balance control and suspension of the asymmetric spray boom is ensured by another device and the other requirements under the point Spray Boom are respected. |
|            | D2 and D3   | Measurement | Check the curvature of the spray boom in the horizontal plane.<br>The horizontal curvature is measured by positioning oneself at the end of the unfolded boom on the imaginary line of the spray boom directly behind the sprayer. From this line, the distance is measured to the actual end of the boom.   |
|            | D4 to D7    | Measurement | Check the curvature of the spray boom in the vertical plane.<br>The height of the centre of the spray boom is set to 50 cm above ground and then the height of the ends is measured relative to the ground.  |
|            | D8 and D9   | Measurement | If there is a suspension system, one end of the spray boom is positioned at ground level with a spray boom height adjustment of 60 cm $\pm$ 10 cm. The return of the spray boom to the horizontal position is checked.   |
|            | D10         | Measurement | The distance between the nozzle holders is measured.   |
|            | D11 and D12 | Visual test | The vertical position of the nozzle holders is checked.  |
|            | D13 and D14 | Visual test | Check for the presence and condition of protection on nozzle ends for spray booms with a working width $\geq$ 10 m.  |
|            | D15         | Visual test | Check how the hinges of the spray boom sections behave after they are moved in the horizontal plane. The operation of collapsible ends, where present, is also assessed.   |
|            | D16         | Visual test | If a spray boom height adjustment system is present, its operation must be checked.  |
|            | D17 and D18 | Visual test | The presence and operation of the system for locking the spray boom during transportation are checked.   |
| Obstacles  | E1          | Visual test | Record the presence in the spray jet of any pipes, string or foreign objects (that are not present by design).   |
|            | E2          | Visual test | Record the presence in the spray jet of any obstacles (present by design).   |

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|---------------------------------|-----------|-------------|--|
| Stirring system                 | F         | Visual test | The intensity of stirring in the main tank is assessed when the agitation system and sprayer are in operation.   |
| Pressure stability              | G1 to G4  | Visual test | A calibrated manometer is installed on the spray boom in place of a nozzle.<br>Needle oscillations are observed on the working manometer or the manometer installed on the spray boom.<br>The spray pressure must be stable at constant motor speed.   |
| Manometer <sup>(1)</sup>        | H1        | Visual test | The presence of a manometer is checked. The measuring range must correspond to the working range of the sprayer.   |
|                                 | H2        | Visual test | The readability of the markings on the working manometer is assessed from the operator's position.   |
|                                 | H3 and H4 | Measurement | A calibrated manometer is installed on the boom in place of a nozzle. The similarity between the pressure values indicated on the working manometer and the real values at the nozzles is checked. Both values are observed for various reference pressures.<br><br>Should a deviation occur, the working manometer is removed by the person presenting the sprayer for inspection. It is placed on an independent calibrator and tested against a reference manometer. Then both values are observed again at various reference pressures.<br><br>If the manometer cannot be removed from the device, the reference manometer is placed on the reference connection provided for this purpose or on another connection point as close as possible to the manometer. Both values are observed for various reference pressures. |
| Pressure balance                | I1 to I5  | Measurement | A calibrated manometer is installed on each boom section, at the point of supply, in place of a nozzle. The pressure in the spray boom is adjusted to a reference value and any pressure differences between sections are observed.  |
|                                 | I6        | Measurement | In case of doubt about the condition of a nozzle holder, a second calibrated manometer is positioned in place of a nozzle on the nozzle holder closest to that suspected to be defective. Particular attention is paid to any possible pressure differences between these two manometers.  |
| Compensatory return             | J1 to J3  | Measurement | A calibrated manometer is installed at the point of supply of each spray boom section in place of a nozzle: the pressure supplied to the boom is set to a reference value. A boom section is closed and the pressure of the sections still connected is checked; the section is then returned to service. This operation is repeated for all spray boom sections.  |
| Pressure loss <sup>(2)</sup>    | K         | Measurement | Two calibrated manometers are installed in place of a nozzle, one close to the point of supply of the spray boom section and another at the end of the section. Any differences in pressure are checked at a reference pressure at the point of supply of the section.   |
| Individual flow rate of nozzles | L1        | Visual test | When nozzles are removed to measure flow rate (L2 to L7) they are checked for homogeneity as regards make, type, bore and angle.   |

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|------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|--|
|                                    | L2 to L7  | Measurement | The individual flow rate of nozzles is measured separately from the sprayer for <u>all</u> commonly used nozzles. The nozzles are removed from the spray boom and then placed on a test bench. If this is impossible, the flow rate of the nozzles is measured directly on the appliance. The variation in the flow rate is quantified relative to that of a new nozzle (reference). The flow rate of the nozzle is compared for a given pressure with the nominal flow rate indicated in the manufacturer's tables. If the nominal flow rate is not known, the individual flow rate is compared with the average flow rate of measured nozzles with the same characteristics. |
| Drift-reducing spraying technology | L8        | Visual test | Check for presence of drift-reducing spraying technology that complies with current drift reduction legislation  |
| Control system                     | M1        | Visual test | The accessibility and legibility of measuring and control devices are checked.   |
|                                    | M2 et M3  | Measurement | The mechanical and electronic control systems (DPAm and DP Ae respectively) that adjust the flow rate in proportion to the running speed are checked, as are the electronic indications of volume sprayed per hectare. Driving speed and the amount sprayed over a given time are determined. The actual volume/hectare sprayed is calculated and compared with that set by the user.  |
|                                    | M4        | Visual test | The operation of the spray boom section cut-off valves is checked.   |
|                                    | M5        | Measurement | The operation of the pressure regulator (electrical or mechanical) of control systems, constant pressure (CP) and flow rate proportional to the motor speed (DPM) is checked.  |
| Leaks                              | N1 and N2 | Visual test | Check for leaks by spraying at maximum control pressure (dynamic leakage). The places where (significant and minor) leaks are detected are identified.   |
|                                    | N3 and N4 | Visual test | The presence and operation of anti-drip systems are checked.   |
|                                    | N5 and N6 | Visual test | The presence of leaks is checked when there is no spraying (static leaks). The places where (significant and minor) leaks are detected are identified.   |
| Pump                               | O         | Visual test | Correct pump operation is checked through the detection of water in the oil of the pump tank.  |

B. Description of the inspection method for orchard sprayers and all other sprayers whose operation is based on the same principle

|                   | Code |             | Inspection method  |
|-------------------|------|-------------|--|
| General condition | A1   | Visual test | The maintenance condition of the sprayer is checked: presence of foreign objects such as bits of string, wire, excessive rust, lack of lubrication, etc. |

|                 |           |             |   |
|-----------------|-----------|-------------|---|
|                 | A2        | Visual test | The condition and operation of protection for power transmission elements such as cardan shafts, chains, etc. are checked, as are moving parts.   |
|                 | A3        | Visual test | The condition of the fan is checked: blades, deflectors and housing. If there is a fan decoupling mechanism, it must function correctly.  |
| Level gauge     |           |             | The level of the liquid in the tank is assessed (by means of a transparent pipe, a float, directly through the wall of the tank, etc.) from the operator's position and from the filling point.                       |
| Sprayer tank    | B1        | Visual test | Presence of level gauge is checked.   |
|                 | B2        | Visual test | Legibility of the level gauge is checked.   |
| Filters         |           |             | Presence or absence of filters is checked. The condition of the filters is only checked in the event of hydraulic problems (pressure differences, pressure drops, pressure fluctuation, insufficient pressure, etc.). |
|                 | C1 and C2 | Visual test | When filling the main tank: filter basket at the height of the manhole, intake strainer at the height of the filler pipe, etc.  |
|                 | C3 and C4 | Visual test | At spray liquid intake: pump intake filter.   |
|                 | C5 and C6 | Visual test | At the pump outlet: outlet filter between the pump and the pressure regulator.  |
|                 | C7        | Visual test | At the height of the discharge pipe: section filter(s).   |
| Discharge pipe  | D1        | Measurement | Any deformations of the discharge pipe and/or pipes are observed. Also check whether the discharge pipe is symmetrical with regard to the attachment to the tank or chassis.  |
|                 | D2        | Visual test | The firmness of the attachment of the discharge pipe to the chassis or tank is observed.  |
|                 | D3        | Measurement | Check whether the spacings between the nozzle holders are symmetrical on either side of the discharge pipe  |
|                 | D4        | Measurement | Check whether the position of nozzle holders is symmetrical on either side of the discharge pipe  |
| Obstacles       | E1        | Visual test | The presence in the spray jet and/or in the fan air intake or outlet circuits of any pipes, string or foreign objects (that are not present by design) is recorded.   |
|                 | E2        | Visual test | The presence of any obstacles (that are present by design) in the spray jet and/or in the air intake or air flow circuit of the fan is recorded.  |
| Stirring system | F         | Visual test | The intensity of stirring in the main tank is assessed when the stirring system and sprayer are in operation.   |



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|--|-----------|-------------|---|
| Pressure stability                             | G1 to G4  | Visual test | A calibrated manometer is fitted to the discharge pipe in place of a nozzle. Oscillations of the needle of the working manometer or the manometer installed on the discharge pipe are observed. The spray pressure must be stable at constant motor speed.  |
| Manometer <sup>(1)</sup>                       | H1        | Visual test | The presence of a manometer is checked. The measuring range must correspond to the working range of the sprayer.  |
|  | H2        | Visual test | The readability of the markings on the working manometer is assessed from the operator's position.  |
|  | H3 and H4 | Measurement | <p>A calibrated manometer is installed on the discharge pipe in place of a nozzle. The similarity between the pressure values indicated on the working manometer and the real values at the nozzles is checked. Both values are observed for various reference pressures.</p> <p>Should a deviation occur, the working manometer is removed by the person presenting the sprayer for inspection. It is placed on an independent and tested calibrator (reference manometer). Then both values are observed again at various reference pressures.</p> <p>If the manometer cannot be removed from the device, the reference manometer is placed on the reference connection provided for this purpose or on another connection point as close as possible to the manometer. Both values are observed for various reference pressures.</p> |
| Pressure balance                               | I1 to I5  | Measurement | A calibrated manometer is installed on each section of the discharge pipe in place of a nozzle, in each nozzle holder. The pressure in the discharge pipe is adjusted to a reference value and any pressure differences between the discharge pipe sections are observed.   |
| Compensatory return                            | J1 to J3  | Measurement | A calibrated manometer is installed on each discharge pipe section, at the point of supply, in place of a nozzle. The pressure in the discharge pipe is adjusted to a reference value. One discharge pipe section is closed, after which the pressure is measured in the sections still connected; this section is then recommissioned. This operation is repeated as many times as there are discharge pipe sections.  |
| Pressure loss <sup>(2)</sup>                   | K         | Measurement | Two calibrated manometers are installed in place of a nozzle, one close to the point of supply of the discharge pipe section and another at the end of the section. Any differences in pressure are checked at a reference pressure at the point of supply of the section.  |
| Individual flow rate of nozzles <sup>(3)</sup> | L1        | Visual test | Check whether the nozzles placed symmetrically on the left and right of the discharge pipe are homogeneous with regard to make, type, size, angle and sealing ring.   |

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|                                    | L2 to L3  | Measurement | The individual flow rate of all nozzles on the discharge pipe is measured directly on the sprayer. The flow rates of nozzles with the same characteristics are compared with each other and with the flow rate of a new (reference) nozzle at a given reference pressure.<br>If the nominal flow rate is not known, the individual nozzle flow rate is compared to the average flow rate of the measured nozzles with the same characteristics. |
|                                    | L4 to L5  | Measurement | If measurement of the flow rate of nozzles mounted on the sprayer reveals significant differences, the nozzles are removed and the flow rate is measured on a test bench. Variation in the flow rate is determined in comparison to that of a new (reference) nozzle. The flow rate of the nozzle is compared to a nominal pressure indicated in the manufacturer's tables.   |
| Drift-reducing spraying technology | L6        | Visual test | Check for presence of drift-reducing spraying technology that complies with current drift reduction legislation   |
| Nozzle holders                     | M         | Measurement | If the cause of the difference in flow rate is not the nozzle holders but the nozzles (L2–L5) a measurement is taken.<br>In this case, the flow rate of the nozzles is first measured (cf. L2–L5). The places of the nozzles are changed and their flow rate is measured and compared again. Next, the pressure on the different nozzle holders is measured for a given reference value and the results are compared.                           |
| Control system                     | N1        | Visual test | The accessibility and legibility of measuring and control devices are checked.  |
|                                    | N2 and N3 | Measurement | The mechanical and electronic control systems (DPAm and DPAe respectively) that adjust the flow rate in proportion to the running speed are checked, as are the electronic indications of volume sprayed per hectare. Driving speed and the amount sprayed over a given time are determined. The actual volume/hectare sprayed is calculated and compared with that set by the user.  |
|                                    | N4        | Visual test | The operation of the discharge pipe section cut-off valves is checked.  |
|                                    | N5        | Measurement | The operation of the pressure regulator (electrical or mechanical) of control systems, constant pressure (CP) and flow rate proportional to the motor speed (DPM) is checked.   |
| Leaks                              | O1 and O2 | Visual test | Check for leaks by spraying at maximum control pressure (dynamic leakage). The places where (significant and minor) leaks are detected are identified.  |
|                                    | O3 and O4 | Visual test | The presence and operation of anti-drip systems are checked.  |
|                                    | O5 and O6 | Visual test | The presence of leaks is checked when there is no spraying (static leaks). The places where (significant and minor) leaks are detected are identified.  |
| Pump                               | P         | Visual test | Correct operation of the pump is checked through the detection of water in the oil of the pump tank.  |

C. Description of the inspection method for boom sprayers for horticulture and floriculture and all others whose operation is based on the same principle

|                                      | Code      |             | Inspection method  |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|--|
| General condition                    | A1        | Visual test | The maintenance condition of the sprayer is checked: presence of foreign objects such as bits of string, wire, excessive rust, lack of lubrication, etc.   |
|                                      | A2        | Visual test | The condition and operation of protection for power transmission elements such as cardan shafts, chains, etc. are checked, as are moving parts.  |
|                                      | A3        | Visual test | The condition of the fan is checked: blades, deflectors and housing. If there is a fan decoupling mechanism, it must function correctly.   |
| Level gauge                          |           |             | The level of the liquid in the tank is assessed (by means of a transparent pipe, a float, directly through the wall of the tank, etc.) from the operator's position and from the filling point.  |
| Sprayer tank                         | B1        | Visual test | Presence of level gauge is checked.  |
|                                      | B2        | Visual test | Legibility of the level gauge is checked.  |
| Filters                              |           |             | Presence or absence of filters is checked. The condition of the filters is only checked in the event of hydraulic problems (pressure differences, pressure drops, pressure fluctuation, insufficient pressure, etc.).  |
|                                      | C1 and C2 | Visual test | When filling the main tank: filter basket at the height of the manhole, intake strainer at the height of the filler pipe, etc.   |
|                                      | C3 and C4 | Visual test | At spray liquid intake: pump intake filter.  |
|                                      | C5 and C6 | Visual test | At the pump outlet: outlet filter between the pump and the pressure regulator.   |
|                                      | C7        | Visual test | On the discharge pipe/spray boom sections: section filter(s).  |
| Horizontal spray boom <sup>(4)</sup> | D1        | Visual test | The horizontal position of the spray boom in relation to the ground, its general condition and any deformation are evaluated.  |
|                                      | D2 and D3 | Measurement | Check the curvature of the spray boom in the horizontal plane.<br>The horizontal curvature is measured by positioning oneself at the end of the unfolded boom on the imaginary line of the spray boom directly behind the sprayer. From this line, the distance is measured to the actual end of the boom. |

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|                                | D4 to D7        | Measurement | Check the curvature of the spray boom in the vertical plane.<br>The height of the centre of the spray boom is set to 50 cm above ground and then the height of the ends is measured relative to the ground. |
|                                | D8              | Measurement | The distance between the nozzle holders is measured.  |
|                                | D9 and D10      | Visual test | The vertical position of the nozzle holders is checked.   |
|                                | D11             | Visual test | Check how the hinges of the spray boom sections behave after they are moved in the horizontal plane. The operation of any collapsible ends is also assessed.  |
|                                | D12             | Visual test | The adjustment of the spray boom height is checked.   |
| Vertical spray boom (branches) | D1a             | Visual test | The general maintenance condition of the spray boom/branches is observed.   |
|                                | D2bis and D3bis | Measurement | The verticality of the spray boom/branches is observed.   |
|                                | D4bis and D5bis | Visual test | The verticality of the spraying nozzles on the spray boom/branches is observed.   |
|                                | D6a             | Measurement | The distance between the nozzle holders is measured.  |
|                                | D7a             | Measurement | The symmetry of the distance of nozzle holders is determined.   |
|                                | D8a             | Visual test | The symmetry of the angled position of nozzle holders is determined.  |
|                                | D9a             | Visual test | The operation of the hinges and the end of the spray boom sections is observed.   |
|                                | D10a            | Visual test | The condition and operation of attachment points and width adjustment are checked after use.  |
|                                | D11a            | Visual test | The spray boom height adjustment system is checked.   |
| Obstacles                      | E1              | Visual test | Record the presence in the spray jet of any pipes, string or foreign objects (that are not present by design).  |
|                                | E2              | Visual test | Record the presence in the spray jet of any obstacles (present by design).  |
| Stirring system                | F               | Visual test | The intensity of stirring in the main tank is assessed when the agitation system and sprayer are in operation.  |

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| Pressure stability              | G1 to G5  | Visual test | A calibrated manometer is installed on the spray boom in place of a nozzle.<br>Needle oscillations are observed on the working manometer or the manometer installed on the spray boom.<br>The spray pressure must be stable at constant motor speed.   |
| Manometer <sup>(1)</sup>        | H1        | Visual test | The presence of a manometer is checked. The measuring range must correspond to the working range of the sprayer.   |
|                                 | H2        | Visual test | The readability of the markings on the working manometer is assessed from the operator's position.   |
|                                 | H3 and H4 | Measurement | A calibrated manometer is installed on the boom in place of a nozzle. The similarity between the pressure values indicated on the working manometer and the real values at the nozzles is checked. Both values are observed for various reference pressures.<br><br>Should a deviation occur, the working manometer is removed by the person presenting the sprayer for inspection. It is placed on an independent and tested calibrator (reference manometer). Then both values are observed again at various reference pressures.<br><br>If the manometer cannot be removed from the device, the reference manometer is placed on the reference connection provided for this purpose or on another connection point as close as possible to the manometer. Both values are observed for various reference pressures. |
| Pressure balance                | I1 to I5  | Measurement | A calibrated manometer is installed on each boom section, at the point of supply, in place of a nozzle. The pressure in the spray boom is adjusted to a reference value and any pressure differences between sections are observed.  |
| Compensatory return             | J1 to J3  | Measurement | A calibrated manometer is installed at the point of supply of each spray boom section in place of a nozzle: the pressure supplied to the boom is set to a reference value. A boom section is closed and the pressure of the sections still connected is checked; the section is then returned to service. This operation is repeated for all spray boom sections.  |
| Pressure loss <sup>(2)</sup>    | K         | measurement | Two calibrated manometers are installed in place of a nozzle, one close to the point of supply of the spray boom section and another at the end of the section. Any differences in pressure are checked at a reference pressure at the point of supply of the section.   |
| Individual flow rate of nozzles | L1        | Visual test | When nozzles are removed to measure flow rate (L2 to L7) they are checked for homogeneity as regards make, type, bore and angle.   |

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|                                    | L2 to L7  | measurement | <p>The individual flow rate of nozzles is measured separately from the sprayer for <u>all</u> commonly used nozzles. The nozzles are removed from the spray boom and then placed on a test bench. If this is impossible, the flow rate of the nozzles is measured directly on the appliance. The variation in the flow rate is quantified relative to that of a new nozzle (reference). The flow rate of the nozzle is compared for a given pressure with the nominal flow rate indicated in the manufacturer's tables. If the nominal flow rate is not known, the individual flow rate is compared with the average flow rate of measured nozzles with the same characteristics.</p> <p>For devices with multiple spray booms, testing 25 % of the nozzles is sufficient.</p> |
| Drift-reducing spraying technology | L8        | Visual test | Check for presence of drift-reducing spraying technology that complies with current drift reduction legislation  |
| Control system                     | M1        | Visual test | The accessibility and legibility of measuring and control devices are checked.   |
|                                    | M2        | Measurement | The correct operation of the injection pump is checked. The volume injected when spraying a given concentration is measured. The volume actually injected is compared with the volume set on the injection pump  |
|                                    | M3        | Measurement | The mechanical and electronic control systems (DPAm and DP Ae respectively) that adjust the flow rate in proportion to the running speed are checked, as are the electronic indications of volume sprayed per hectare. The driving speed and the amount sprayed over a given time are determined. The actual volume/hectare sprayed is calculated and compared with that set by the user.  |
|                                    | M4        | Visual test | The operation of the spray boom section cut-off valves is checked.   |
|                                    | M5        | Measurement | The operation of the pressure regulator (electrical or mechanical) of control systems, constant pressure (CP) and flow rate proportional to the motor speed (DPM) is checked.  |
| Leaks                              | N1 and N2 | Visual test | Check for leaks by spraying at maximum control pressure (dynamic leakage). The places where (significant and minor) leaks are detected are identified.   |
|                                    | N3 and N4 | Visual test | The presence and operation of anti-drip systems are checked.   |
|                                    | N5 and N6 | Visual test | The presence of leaks is checked when there is no spraying (static leaks). The places where (significant and minor) leaks are detected are identified.   |
| Pump                               | O         | Visual test | Correct pump operation is checked through the detection of water in the oil of the pump tank.  |

D. Description of the inspection method for soil disinfection sprayers and all other sprayers whose operation is based on the same principle

|                    | Code      |             | Inspection method   |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| General condition  | A1        | Visual test | The maintenance condition of the sprayer is checked: presence of foreign objects such as bits of string, wire, excessive rust, lack of lubrication, etc.  |
|                    | A2        | Visual test | The condition and operation of protection for power transmission elements such as cardan shafts, chains, etc. are checked, as are moving parts.   |
|                    | A3        | Visual test | The safety of sprayer venting and the presence of an overpressure valve are observed.   |
| Level gauge        |           |             | The level of the liquid in the tank is assessed (by means of a transparent pipe, a float, directly through the wall of the tank, etc.) from the operator's position and from the filling point.   |
|                    | B1        | Visual test | Presence of level gauge is checked.   |
|                    | B2        | Visual test | Legibility of the level gauge is checked.   |
| Filters            |           |             | The presence or absence of filters is observed. The condition of the filters is only checked in the event of hydraulic and/or pneumatic problems (pressure differences, pressure drops, pressure fluctuation, insufficient pressure, etc.). |
|                    | C1 and C2 | Visual test | At the pump outlet: pressure filter at the pressure regulator/distributor.  |
|                    | C3 and C4 | Visual test | On the nozzles: nozzle filters.   |
|                    | C5 and C6 | Visual test | On the compressor air intake: pneumatic filters.  |
| Coulters           | D1        | Visual test | The uniformity of the coulters is checked.  |
|                    | D2        | Visual test | Protection on "pipe units" (nozzles, injectors, etc.) is checked.   |
| Pressure stability | E         | Visual test | The spray pressure must be stable at constant motor speed.  |
| Measuring devices  |           |             | The presence and operation of measuring devices are checked: hydraulic and pneumatic manometers and/or flow meters  |
|                    | F1        | Visual test | The presence of a measuring device is checked: Hydraulic manometer or pneumatic manometer or flow meter.  |
|                    | F2        | Visual test | Check legibility of measuring device from the driving position.   |

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|  | F3        | Measurement | Operation of hydraulic or pneumatic manometer(s) is tested on a calibrator. If the manometer cannot be removed from the device, the reference manometer is placed on the reference connection provided for this purpose or on another connection point as close as possible to the manometer. Both values are observed for various reference pressures.   |
|  | F4        | Measurement | Operation of the flow meter must be checked. The actual volume applied is measured and compared with the volume recorded on the flow meter.   |
| Individual flow rate of nozzles <sup>(5)</sup> | G1        | Visual test | When nozzles are removed to measure flow rate (G2 to G7) they are checked for homogeneity as regards make, type, bore and angle.  |
|  | G2 to G7  | Measurement | The individual flow rate of nozzles is measured separately from the sprayer for <u>all</u> commonly used nozzles. Nozzles are removed from injectors and placed on a test bench. The variation in the flow rate is quantified relative to that of a new nozzle (reference). The flow rate of the nozzle is compared for a given pressure with the nominal flow rate indicated in the manufacturer's tables. If the nominal flow rate is not known, the individual flow rate is compared with the average flow rate of measured nozzles with the same characteristics. |
| Individual flow rate of the injectors          | G8 to G9  | Measurement | The individual flow rate of all injectors is measured on the sprayer. The individual flow rate of injectors is compared to the average flow rate of all injectors with the same characteristics.  |
| Control system                                 | H1        | Measurement | Speed-proportional mechanical and electronic (in French 'DPAm' and 'DPAe' respectively) control systems, as well as electronic indications of the volume sprayed per hectare are checked. Ground speed and volume sprayed over a given time are determined. The volume/hectare actually applied is calculated and compared with the volume set by the user.   |
|  | H2        | Visual test | The operation of the spray boom section cut-off valves is checked.  |
|  | H3        | Measurement | The operation of the pressure regulator (electrical or mechanical) of control systems, constant pressure (CP) and flow rate proportional to the motor speed (DPM) is checked.   |
| Leaks  | I1 and I2 | Visual test | Leaks are identified by spraying at the maximum control pressure (dynamic leaks). The places where (significant and minor) leaks are detected are identified.   |
|  | I3 and I4 | Visual test | The presence of leaks is checked when there is no spraying (static leaks). The places where (significant and minor) leaks are detected are identified.  |
| Compressor                                     | J         | Visual test | The proper functioning of the compressor is checked.  |
| Pump   | K         | Visual test | Check the pump is working properly by checking the working pressure.  |



E. Description of the inspection method for nebulisers (LVM/ and UBV cold nebulisers, gasoline thermonebulisers and electrofoggers, centrifugal compressed-air sprayers, seed treatment plants) and for all other nebulisers whose operation is based on the same principles

|                     | Code |             | Inspection method  |
|---------------------|------|-------------|--|
| General condition   | A1   | Visual test | The maintenance condition of the nebuliser is checked: presence of foreign objects such as bits of string, wire, excessive rust, lack of lubrication, instruction stickers, clogged air intake, etc. |
|                     | A2   | Visual test | The condition and operation of protection for mechanical power transmission elements such as chains, belts, etc. are checked, as are moving parts.   |
|                     | A3   | Visual test | The condition of the fan is checked: blades, deflectors and housing. If there is a fan start/stop function or activation system, it must work properly.  |
|                     | A4   | Visual test | The condition of pipes carrying liquid is checked, including fuel pipes if present.  |
|                     | A5   | Visual test | The presence and condition of the thermal protection on the spray nozzle are checked (hot nebulisers).   |
|                     | A6   | Visual test | If the devices are electrical, the state of protection of the electrical components is examined: earthing, casing, wiring, etc.  |
|                     | A7   | Measurement | If the devices are electrical, the earthing must be measured again.  |
| Tank                | B1   | Visual test | The presence of the level gauge is checked.  |
|                     | B2   | Visual test | The legibility of the level gauge is checked.  |
|                     | B3   | Visual test | The tank is checked to see whether it can be easily emptied and cleaned (plug, hose and drain valve, removable tank, etc.)   |
|                     | B4   | Visual test | The presence and condition of the tank cover is checked, including the seal.   |
|                     | B5   | Visual test | Check the presence of a pressure relief valve for devices powered by compressed air (cold nebuliser).  |
| Filters             |      |             | Check for presence or absence of filters.<br>*Only check if filters are in good condition in the event of hydraulic problems (pressure fluctuations, insufficient pressure, etc.)                    |
|                     | C1   | Visual test | When filling the main tank: filter basket at manhole level, intake strainer at filler pipe level, etc.   |
|                     | C2   |             |  |
|                     | C3   | Visual test | At spray liquid intake: pump intake filter.  |
|                     | C4   |             |  |
|                     | C5   | Visual test | At pump outlet: pump (distributor) outlet filter.  |
|                     | C6   |             |  |
|                     | C7   | Visual test | For compressed air systems or fan/vacuum systems: Check condition of air intake filter.  |
|                     | C8   |             |  |
|                     | C9   | Visual test | Nozzle filters in the nozzle holder  |
| Nebulisation nozzle | D1   | Visual test | The condition of the nebulisation nozzle is assessed. Check that the nozzle is not twisted due to overly high temperatures, this indicates poor adjustment (hot nebulisers)                          |
|                     | D2   | Visual test | The condition of the nebulisation nozzle is assessed. Check whether the nozzle has holes due to heat, cracks or fractures (hot nebulisers)   |

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|                        | D3  | Visual test | The condition of the nebulisation nozzle is assessed. Check the inside of the nebulisation nozzle for dirt. A clogged nebulisation nozzle indicates poor combustion or combustion of plant protection product during the nebulisation process (hot nebulisers).   |
| Obstacles              | E1  | Visual test | The presence in the nebulisation spray of any pipes, string or foreign objects (that are not present by design) is recorded.  |
|                        | E2  | Visual test | The presence in the nebulisation spray of any obstacles (that are present by design) is recorded.   |
| Stirring system        | F   | Visual test | If available, the intensity of stirring in the tank is assessed when stirring system and nebuliser are in operation.  |
| Measuring instrument   |     |             | The presence and operation of measuring instruments for adjusting and monitoring nebulisation volume are checked/hydraulic and pneumatic manometers <sup>(1)</sup> and/or flow meters.  |
|                        | G1  | Visual test | Check for presence of measuring instrument: hydraulic manometer or pneumatic manometer or flow meter.   |
|                        | G2  | Visual test | Check the readability and scale on the measuring instrument from the usual operating position.  |
|                        | G3  | Measurement | Operation of hydraulic or pneumatic manometer(s) is tested on a calibrator. If the working manometer cannot be removed from the sprayer, the test manometer is placed on the test connection provided for this purpose or any other connection point as close as possible to the working manometer. Both values are checked at different reference pressures.   |
|                        | G4  | Measurement | Operation of the flow meter must be checked. The actual volume sprayed is measured and compared with the volume recorded by the flow meter.   |
| Nebulisation flow rate | H1  | Visual test | For nebulisers with multiple nozzles, the nozzles are checked for homogeneity in terms of make, type, bore and angle.   |
|                        | H2  | Visual test | The condition of the nebuliser nozzle(s) or restriction plates and any nebuliser deflectors is visually assessed (only if the nebulisation flow rate is non-compliant).   |
|                        | H3  | Visual test | Nebulisation is visually assessed by operating the device with normal usage parameters.   |
|                        | H4  | Measurement | The flow rate of the nebuliser is measured on the device and is compared to the set nebulisation rate. A known volume of an appropriate test liquid is placed in the nebulisation tank and nebulised within normal parameters of use. Based on the time taken to nebulise this volume, the actual nebulisation rate is determined and compared to the rate set. |
| Control system         | I1  | Visual test | The accessibility and legibility of the measuring and control equipment is checked.   |
|                        | I2  | Visual test | The operation of all elements associated with starting and stopping the nebuliser and spraying is checked (including thermal resistance breakers if applicable).  |
|                        | I3  | Visual test | The operation of all indicator lamps is checked.  |
|                        | I4  | Visual test | The operation of the control system is checked. The operation of dosing adjustment on the product control valve (flow regulation) or the operation of pressure regulator (compressed air) is checked (cold sprayers).   |
|                        | I5  | Visual test | The operation of the carburettor adjustment is checked (hot nebulisers with combustion engine).   |
|                        | I6  | Visual test | Check that the nebuliser starts quickly during a cold start (hot nebulisers with combustion engine).  |
|                        | I7  | Visual test | Check that the combustion in the nebuliser is as it should be; the flame should not come out of the nozzle (hot nebulisers with combustion engine).   |
|                        | I8  | Visual test | Operation of the electric pump's dosing adjustment is checked.  |
|                        | I9  | Visual test | Operation of thermal resistance is checked (electric hot nebulisers).   |
|                        | I10 | Visual test | Operation of the temperature control system is checked (electric heated nebulisers).  |

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|                                   | I11 | Measurement | Correct operation of the temperature probe in the nebulisation nozzle is checked by measuring the temperature in the nozzle and comparing it with the settings on the device (electric hot nebulisers).  |
|                                   | I12 | Visual test | Operation of overheating protection is checked by switching off the fan while activating temperature control (electric hot nebulisers).  |
| Leaks                             | J1  | Visual test | The presence of leaks is checked by nebulising within the normal usage parameters of the device. Places where (significant and minor) leaks are detected are identified.   |
|                                   | J2  |             |  |
| Pump                              | K   | Measurement | Pump capacity is checked by setting the maximum nebulisation rate and starting the device. Actual maximum flow rate is determined on the basis of the time required to nebulise a measured volume (cold nebulisers + electric hot nebulisers). |
| Compressor/<br>fan/vacuum<br>pump | L1  | Visual test | The general condition of the compressor or fan or vacuum pump is checked (cold nebulisers).  |
|                                   | L2  | Visual test | The general condition of the air circuit (overpressure/underpressure) is assessed (cold nebulisers).   |

(2) Manometer = either a conventional analogue manometer or a pressure sensor in combination with a digital readout

(3) Test performed only if there is a risk of pressure loss

(4) when a device is fitted with more than one set of nozzles, all sets of nozzles must be checked

(5) if beam for Da, only D1-D7'

(6) Only if the injectors are fitted with nozzles and if G8 and G9 assessment is negative or if it is impossible to measure the flow rate of injectors on the device

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## **Annex 6: Inspection procedure**

### **A. Summons:**

- Content:
  - o Inspection date and location
  - o Access criteria
  - o Refusal criteria
  - o Inspection payments
  - o Form for purchase, sale or resale
  - o Form for decommissioning
  - o Form to be completed if not present at inspection at the place and date indicated on the summons
- Summonses are sent to the owner of the sprayer no later than 15 days before the expiry of the self-adhesive vignette. In the event of unjustified absence, a second summons is sent by registered mail.
- The content of the summons may be partially communicated by means of a reference to the website of the approved inspection body.

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