



Animal &
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Fees for National Listings (NL) GB and NI Variety Lists and Plant Breeders Rights (PBR) The Seeds (National List of Varieties) Regulations 2001 (as amended) The Plant Breeders' Rights (Naming and Fees) Regulations 2006

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Fees

A revised administration fee for the National Listing and Plant Breeders' Rights applications for agricultural, vegetable and ornamental species will be introduced on 1 January 2021. A single fee will be applicable for joint NL/PBR applications. The fee structure is set out below.

In addition to these fees, a separate fee is charged by the Trials Organiser (BSPB for all crops, apart from potatoes) for varieties undergoing VCU Trials. The Trial Organiser will inform applicants of the estimated fee when the VCU seed is ordered.

Fees	
Administration fee	Invoices will be issued by APHA for the administration fees of applications. See Administration Fee section below.
DUS test and reference variety fee	This is payable for every candidate variety and parental line sown in each year of testing, usually within three months of the seed being sown. Only one DUS test fee is payable for joint NL/PBR applications. NIAB will charge direct for those DUS tests that they undertake.
Annual charge	This is for maintaining the reference collection and will be charged as indicated in the table below, usually in February each year.
VCU technical management fee (this applies to all NL applications with the exception of vegetables, and amenity grasses which are not subject to VCU).	This fee is for the cost of collation and management of the data from VCU trials and is charged at the same time as the DUS fee, and is payable for each year the candidate is in trials. This fee is not charged in the establishment year of herbage.
Potato VCU trial fee	The costs of Potato VCU Trials work carried out by SASA and NIAB are jointly invoiced by APHA.
Other miscellaneous fees	See sections 5 and 6 below

Administration fees

Invoices will be issued for the administration fee of the following applications:

- UK National listing
- UK Plant Breeders' Rights
- Combined UK National listing and Plant Breeders' Rights
- Conservation Varieties
- Amateur Vegetables

The invoice will be issued following publication of the application in the Seeds Gazette. In the majority of cases this will be in the month following the application being received by APHA. For example: Application received by APHA during January will be invoiced in late February

Fees for UK DUS testing and reference variety fees, VCU technical management fees, authentication fees and annual charges, will be invoiced by our York office.

Where DUS testing is carried out by a DUS Testing Authority outside of the UK, the cost will be the Sterling equivalent of the DUS test fee charged by the DUS Testing Authority. This charge will be invoiced by our York office. In the case, where a DUS report can be purchased (depending on the date the DUS testing was initiated), the cost of purchasing a DUS report from a testing authority in another country will be the Sterling equivalent of the fee charged by the testing authority. This charge will be invoiced by our York office. For more guidance, see the [National Listing](#) and [Plant Breeders' Rights](#) Gov.uk pages.

All queries regarding invoices should in the first instance be emailed to: sscl.receipts@gov.sscl.com.

Agricultural and vegetable crops (£)

	Administration fee	DUS test and reference variety fee	Annual charge	VCU technical management fee
Crops tested in the UK				
Wheat/barley/oats	450	1040	n/a	165
WOR and forage rape	450	1845	n/a	165
Sugar beet	450	600	n/a	165
Potatoes	450	451	212	165
	Fees for VCU trial work completed by SASA and NIAB are payable for each year of the two years of testing and will be invoiced by APHA			

	Administration fee	DUS test and reference variety fee	Annual charge	VCU technical management fee
Herbage (PRG/IRG/HRG and white clover)	450	788	422	165
Swede	450	1010	180	165
Field peas	450	1394	n/a	165
Field beans	450	1450	n/a	165
Vegetable pea	450	1334	n/a	n/a
Vegetables (beetroot, brussels sprouts, cabbage, carrot, celery, curly kale, leek, onion, radish and turnip)	450	1294	n/a	n/a

Crops tested by other DUS Testing Authorities

Applicants will be advised of the Sterling equivalent of the DUS test fee charged by other DUS Testing Authorities. The administration fee and VCU technical management fee are given below.

	Administration fee	Annual charge	VCU technical management fee
Rye	450	n/a	165
Triticale	450	n/a	165
Maize	450	n/a	165
Linseed	450	n/a	165
SOR	450	n/a	165
Vegetables (other than those listed above)	450	n/a	165
Herbage (including red fescue, red clover, sheep's fescue, smooth stalked meadow grass and timothy)	450	n/a	165
Other agricultural crops	450	n/a	165

Ornamental Species (£)

	Administration fee	DUS test fee (per year*)
Chrysanthemum	450	2250
Rose	450	1950
Other Decorative variety	450	1950

*Usually one but may be more depending on number of tests required to establish whether or not a variety is distinct, uniform and stable.

Conservation varieties of agricultural or vegetable species

Application fee of £175.00.

Amateur vegetable varieties

Application fee of £100.00.

Miscellaneous fees – NL

Application for the substitution of a name in a National List £30

On delivering representations in writing £30

On requesting to be heard by Ministers £60.

Miscellaneous Fees – PBR

On delivering representations in writing £30

On requesting a hearing before the Controller £65

On making application for a compulsory licence £65.



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