# Variety Description: Sunflower (Helianthus annuus L.) 

Variety:
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { I) Application Date: } & \text { II) Registration Date: } & \text { III) Release Year: }\end{array}$

## General:

1.1 Variety Name:
1.4 Area of Adaptation:
1.6 Institute/Organization:
1.2 Previous Name: 1.3 Variety Compared:
1.5 Breeding Center:
1.7 Applicant(s):
1.8 Maintainer:
1.9 Parentage:
1.10 Pedigree:
1.11 Breeder(s):
1.12 Variety Origin: (L) local bred (S) selection from exotic material (I) introduction 1.13 Variety type: (1) open pollinated (2) hybrid (3) inbred line (4) inbred line with genetic male sterility (5) inbred line with cytoplasmic male sterility
1.14 Cytoplasmic male sterility type: (1) CMS-1 (2) CMS-2 (3) CMS-3 (4) CMS-4 (5) CMS-5
1.15 Variety use: (1) oil (2) confectionery (3) birds' feed (4) ornamental (5) gene source

## Maturity:

2.1 Maturity days: [ days for specific season] (1) very early (2) very early to early (3) early (4) early to medium (5) medium (6) medium to late (7) late (8) late to very late (9) very late
2.2 Earlier than: 2.3 Later than:
2.4 Normal crop sowing season: (1) spring (2) summer (3) autumn
2.5 Suitable for sowing: (1) early (2) mid season (3) late season (4) all sowings
2.6 Uniformity in maturity: (1) extremely variable (5) intermediate (9) extremely uniform
2.7 Photoperiodic response: (1) neutral (2) short day (3) long day (4) ambiphotoperiodic

## Seedling Characteristics:

3.1 Seedling length: $\quad \mathrm{mm}$ after 14 days
3.2 Seedling hairiness: (1) absent (3) sparse (5) medium (7) profuse
3.3 Seedling color: (3) light green (5) green (7) dark green
3.4 Hypocotyl anthocyanin coloration: (1) absent (3) weak (5) medium (7) strong (9) very strong
3.5 Anthocyanin coloration on margin of young leaves: (1) absent (9) present
3.6 Size of cotyledons: (1) very small (3) small (5) medium (7) large (9) very large
3.7 Shape of cotyledons: (1) elliptical (2) oval (3) extended (4) rounded

## Plant / Stem Characteristics:

4.1 Stem; main color at heading (darkest area): (3) light green (5) green (7) dark green 4.2 Growing point: (1) green (2) yellow green
4.3 Stem anthocyanin: (1) absent (3) weak (5) medium (7) strong (9) very strong
4.4 Pubescence at the top 5 cm : (1) absent (3) weak (5) medium (7) strong (9) very strong 4.5 Stem pubescence length: (1) short (9) long
4.6 Stem stiffness: (3) weak (5) intermediate (7) strong
4.7 Stem diameter (at mid portion): [ mm$]$ (3) thin (5) medium (7) thick
4.8 Plant height at full flowering: [ cm ] (1) dwarf, <40 cm (2) extremely small, 40.1-80 cm (3) mall, $80.1-120 \mathrm{~cm}$ (4) small to medium, $120.1-160 \mathrm{~cm}$ (5) medium, $160.1-200 \mathrm{~cm}$ (6) medium to tall, $200.1-240 \mathrm{~cm}(7)$ tall, $240.1-280 \mathrm{~cm}$ (8) tall to extremely tall, 280.1320 cm (9) extremely tall, $>320 \mathrm{~cm}$
4.9 Stem branching (excluding environmental branching): (1) absent (2) only basal (3) predominantly basal (4) overall, fully branched with central head (5) predominantly apical (6) apical (7) fully branched without central head
4.10 Natural position of highest lateral head to the central head: (3) below (5) same level (7) above
4.11 Length of internodes (in central third of stem): [ cm ] (3) short (5) medium (7) long
4.12 Percent stalk breakage (note stage): \%
4.13 Percent root lodging (note stage): \%
4.14 Type of root: (1) tap (2) rhizome (3) tuber

## Leaf Characteristics:

5.1 Leaves per plant:
5.2 Leaf color: (1) yellow green (3) light green (5) green (7) dark green (9) blue green
5.3 Leaf; anthocyanin coloration on margin of young leaves: (1) absent (9) present
5.4 Leaf attitude: (1) erect (3) semi erect (5) horizontal (7) descending
5.5 Leaf surface: (1) smooth (2) crinkled
5.6 Leaf pubescence: (1) absent (3) sparse (5) medium (7) dense
5.7 Leaf pubescence length: (1) short (9) long
5.8 Leaf length (midrib): [ cm ] (3) short (5) medium (7) long
5.9 Leaf width: [ cm ] (3) narrow (5) medium (7) broad
5.10 Leaf size: (1) extremely small (3) small (5) medium (7) large (9) extremely large 5.11 Petiole length (bottom of plants): [ cm$]$ (1) absent, sessile leaves (3) short (5) medium (7) long
5.12 Leaf; petiole anthocyanin: (1) absent (5) moderate (9) abundant
5.13 Leaf; angle between lower part of petiole and stem: (3) small (5) medium (7) large
5.14 Leaf shape: (1) oblong (2) lanceolate (3) triangular (4) cordate (5) rounded (6) ovate 5.15 Leaf; shape of distal part: (1) lanceolate (2) lanceolate to narrow triangular (3) narrow triangular (4) narrow triangular to broad triangular (5) broad triangular (6) broad triangular to acuminate (7) broad triangular to rounded (8) acuminate (9) rounded 5.16 Leaf apex: (1) acute (2) acuminate
5.17 Leaf base shape: (1) acute (2) deltoid (3) cordate (4) auriculate
5.18 Leaf auricules: (1) absent (3) small (5) medium (7) large (9) very large
5.19 Leaf wings: (1) none (3) weakly expressed (5) medium (7) strongly expressed 5.20 Leaf margin: (1) entire (2) crenate (3) dentate (4) undulate (5) serrate (6) double serrate (7) incised
5.21 Leaf margin indentation depth: (3) shallow (5) medium (7) deep
5.22 Leaf margin indentation regularity: (1) regular (2) irregular 5.23 Leaf margin serration (fineness): (1) isolated or very fine (3) fine (5) medium (7) coarse (8) very coarse
5.24 Leaf venation: (1) palmately netted (2) pinnately netted (3) reticulate
5.25 Leaf; angle of lowest / lateral veins: (3) acute (5) right angle (7) obtuse
5.26 Leaf; height of tip of the blade compared to insertion of petiole (at $2 / 3$ height of plant): (1) very low (3) low (5) medium (7) high (9) very high
5.27 Leaf; habit of petiole: (1) erect (3) semi-erect (9) horizontal
5.28 Leaf; petiole pubescence: (1) absent (3) weak (5) medium (7) strong
5.29 Leaf senescence: (3) early (5) medium (7) late
5.30 Leaf blistering: (1) absent (3) weak (5) medium (7) strong (9) very strong
5.31 Leaf glossiness: (1) absent (9) present
5.32 Leaf; shape of cross section: (1) strongly concave (3) weakly concave (5) flat (7) weakly convex (9) strongly convex
5.33 Number of leaves on main stem: (3) low, <21 (5) medium, 21-25 (7) high, >25

## Flower Characteristics:

6.1 Days to flowering in 50\% plants: [ days] (3) early, <55 (5) medium, 55-75 (7) late, $>75$
6.2 Earlier than:
6.3 Later than:
6.4 Bud opening before flowering: (1) absent (9) present
6.5 Bud diameter (full size stage): cm
6.6 Bract tightness on bud: (3) tight (5) intermediate (7) loose
6.7 Flowering uniformity: (1) extremely variable (5) intermediate (9) extremely uniform 6.8 Ray florets; density / number: (1) very few, <16 (3) sparse, few, 16-30 (5) medium, 31-40 (7) dense, many, 41-50 (9) very dense, $>50$
6.9 Ray floret shape: (1) fusiform (2) narrow ovate (3) broad ovate (4) rounded
6.10 Ray floret length: [ mm ] (3) short (5) medium (7) long
6.11 Ray floret width: [ mm ] (3) narrow (5) medium (7) broad
6.12 Ray floret color: (1) ivory, yellowish white (2) light yellow (3) medium yellow (4)
orange yellow (5) orange (6) purple (7) reddish brown (8) multi-colored
6.13 Ray floret size: (3) small (5) medium (7) large
6.14 Longer than:
6.15 Shorter than:
6.16 Ray floret; petal curling: (1) flat petal (9) tubular petal
6.17 Disc flower color: (1) yellow (2) orange (3) red (4) purple
6.18 Stigma color: (1) yellow (5) intermediate (9) purple
6.19 Disc flower; anthocyanin coloration of stigma: (1) absent (3) weak (5) medium (7) strong (9) very strong
6.20 Disc flower; production of pollen: (1) absent (3) poor (5) medium (7) good
6.21 Pollen color: (1) white (2) pale yellow (3) yellow (4) orange
6.22 Disc flower; pappi: (1) absent (9) present
6.23 Disc flower; pappi color: (1) greenish (2) reddish
6.24 Extra-floral nectaries: (1) absent (2) present

## Head Characteristics:

7.1 Bract length on bud: cm
7.2 Heads/ plant:
7.3 Head size / diameter: [ cm ] (3) small, <15 cm (5) medium, 15-20 cm (7) large, >20 cm
7.4 Smaller than: 7.5 Larger than:
7.6 Head; main shape of grain side: (1) strongly concave (2) weakly concave (3) flat (4) weakly convex (5) strongly convex (6) deformed
7.7 Head shape uniformity: (1) highly uniform (5) intermediate (9) highly variable
7.8 Head; secondary shape of grain side: (1) strongly concave (2) weakly concave (3) flat
(4) weakly convex (5) strongly convex (6) deformed
7.9 Head depth / receptacle thickness: [ cm ] (3) shallow (5) medium (7) deep
7.10 Pubescence: (1) absent (3) sparse (5) medium (7) dense (9) very dense
7.11 Involucre length: (3) short (5) medium (7) long
7.12 Involucre width: (3) narrow (5) medium (7) wide
7.13 Involucre anthocyanin: (1) absent (3) weak (5) medium (7) strong
7.14 Head bracts (on back): (1) absent (3) 1-2 (5) few (7) many
7.15 Bract shape: (1) clearly elongated, parallel edges (2) intermediate (3) clearly rounded (3) curly (4) convergent
7.16 Bract size: (3) small (5) medium (7) large
7.17 Bract; length of tip: (3) short (5) medium (7) long (9) very long
7.18 Bract; green color of outside: (3) light (5) medium (7) dark
7.19 Bract anthocyanin: (1) absent (3) weak (5) medium (7) strong
7.20 Bract; attitude in relation to head: (1) not embracing (2) slightly embracing (3) strongly embracing
7.21 Bract pubescence: (1) absent (3) sparse (5) medium (7) dense
7.22 Bract pubescence length: (1) short (9) long
7.23 Head attitude: (1) horizontal (2) inclined (3) vertical (4) half turned with straight stem (5) half turned down with curved stem (6) turned with straight stem (7) turned down with slightly curved stem (8) turned down with strongly curved stem (9) overturned
7.24 Head angle: (1) $0^{\circ}$ (2) $45^{\circ}$ (3) $90^{\circ}$ (4) $135^{\circ}$ (5) $180^{\circ}$ (6) $225^{\circ}$
7.25 Thresh ability: (1) easy (2) moderate (3) difficult
7.26 Shattering: (3) low (5) medium (7) high
7.27 Seed weight/ head: gm

## Seed Characteristics:

8.1 Seed shape: (1) elongated (2) narrow ovoid (3) broad ovoid (4) rounded
8.2 Seed size: (3) small (5) medium (7) large (9) very large
8.3 Seed length: [ $\quad \mathrm{mm}$ ] (3) short, $<1.0 \mathrm{~cm}$ (5) medium, $1.0-1.5 \mathrm{~cm}$ (7) long, $>1.5 \mathrm{~cm}$
8.4 Seed width: [ mm ] (3) narrow (5) medium (7) wide
8.5 Seed thickness: [ mm ] (3) thin (5) medium (7) thick
8.6 Seed main color: (1) white (2) whitish grey (3) grey (4) light brown (5) medium
brown (6) dark brown (7) black (8) purple
8.7 Seed; secondary color: (1) white (2) whitish grey (3) grey (4) light brown (5) medium brown (6) dark brown (7) black (8) purple
8.8 Seed; tertiary color: (1) white (2) whitish grey (3) grey (4) light brown (5) medium brown (6) dark brown (7) black (8) purple
8.9 Seed; position of stripes: (1) marginal (2) lateral (3) both
8.10 Seed; stripes on margin: (1) absent (2) weakly expressed (3) strongly expressed
8.11 Seed; stripes between margin: (1) absent (2) weakly expressed (3) strongly
expressed
8.12 Seed; primary color of stripes: (1) white (2) grey (3) brown (4) black
8.13 Seed; secondary color of stripes: (1) white (2) grey (3) brown (4) black
8.14 Seed; tertiary color of stripes: (1) white (2) grey (3) brown (4) black
8.15 Seed; spots/mottling on pericarp: (1) absent (9) present
8.16 Seed; pericarp thickness: (1) extremely thin, $<0.30 \mathrm{~mm}$ (3) thin, $0.31-0.50 \mathrm{~mm}$ (5)
medium, $0.51-0.70 \mathrm{~mm}$ (7) thick, $0.71-0.90 \mathrm{~mm}$ (9) very thick, $>0.90 \mathrm{~mm}$
8.17 Seed; cross section shape: (1) flat (2) ovoid (3) round
8.18 Seed pubescence: (1) glabrous (3) sparse (5) medium (7) dense
8.19 Seed index (000): [ gm ] (3) low, $<40 \mathrm{~g}$ (5) medium, 40-60 g (7) high, $>60 \mathrm{~g}$
8.20 Yield/ h: MT
8.21 Kernel percentage: $\%$ (hull to nutmeat percentage)
8.22 Oil content: \%
8.23 Composition of fatty acids in oil: (1) palmitic \% (2) stearic \% 93) oleic \% (4) linolenic \%
8.24 Chlorogenic acid percentage: \%
8.25 Protein: \%

## Susceptibility to abiotic stress:

9.1 High temperature: (3) low (5) medium (7) high
9.2 Low temperature: (3) low (5) medium (7) high
9.3 Drought: (3) low (5) medium (7) high
9.4 Excess water / flooding: (3) low (5) medium (7) high
9.5 Salinity: (3) low (5) medium (7) high
9.6 Constant winds: (3) low (5) medium (7) high
9.7 High humidity: (3) low (5) medium (7) high
9.8 Iron deficiency (chlorosis): (3) low (5) medium (7) high

## Susceptibility to pest:

10.1 Insects: (3) S (5) MS (7) MR (9) R (see list of insect pests)
10.2 Diseases: (3) S (5) MS (7) MR (9) R (see list of disease causing organisms)

## Distinctness:

## INSECT PESTS

10.1.1 Homeosoma nebullela European Sunflower Moth
10.1.2 Homeosoma electellum N. American Head Moth
10.1.3 Contarinia schulzi (sunflower midge)
10.1.4 Zygogramma exclamationis
10.1.5 Bothynus gibbosus
10.1.6 Masonaphis masoni
10.1.7 Empoasca abrupta
10.1.8 Cylindrocopturus adspersus
10.1.9 Aphididae homoptera
10.1.10 Tanymecus dilaticollis.
10.1.11 Banded Sunflower Moth (Cochylis hospes) (WALS.)

## FUNGI

10.2.1 Plasmopara helianthi (downy mildew)

Specify race if known in NOTES
10.2.2 Puccinia helianthi (rust)

Specify race if known in NOTES
10.2.3 Sclerotinia sclerotiorum
10.2.3.1 Root rot
10.2.3.2 Leaf and stem rot
10.2.3.3 Head rot
10.2.4 Sclerotinia minor
10.2.5 Botrytis cinerea
10.2.6 Septoria helianthi
10.2.7 Alternaria tenuis
10.2.8 Alternaria zinnii (leaf spot)
10.2.9 Alternaria helianthi
10.2.10 Phoma oleracea var. helianthi-tuberosi
10.2.11 Phomopsis (Diaporthe spp.)
10.2.12 Albugo leaf spot (Albugo tragopogonis) (Cystopus tragopogonis)
10.2.13 Erysiphe cichoracearum
10.2.14 Verticillium spp. (wilt)
10.2.15 Verticillium dahliae (Kleb.)
10.2.16 Verticillium albo-atrum (Reinke and Bath.)
10.2.17 Macrophomina phaseoli
10.2.18 Sclerotium rolfsii
10.2.19 Fusarium sp.
10.2.20 Rhizopus Spp.

BACTERIA
10.2.21 Erwinia carotovora

## Explanations

## Leaf: serration



Leaf: shape of cross section
(through the middle of the leaf)

Cross Section


1

4
5

| strongly <br> concave | weakly <br> concave | flat weakly convex | strongly <br> convex |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

Leaf: shape of distal part


## Leaf: auricles

| none or very <br> small |
| :---: |

Leaf wings
(parenchym at base of lateral veins)


## Leaf: angle of lowest lateral veins




2
right angle or nearly right angle


3
obtuse


Height of the tip of the leaf blade compared to insertion of petiole (at 2/3 height)


## Leaf shape



Ray floret: shape

1

2

3

4
fusiform narrow ovate broad ovate rounded

## Disk flower: anthocyanin coloration of stigma

The anthocyanin coloration should be recorded on the stigma from the central third of the head just after the pollen appears at the top of the anthers.


Bract shapes
Convergent or triangular


Bract: shape

clearly elongated

neither clearly elongated nor clearly rounded


1

Bract: length of the tip

Tip begins where the direction of curving changes

Seed shape
1 Elongated 2 Ovoid elongated 3 Ovoid wide 4 Rounded


Plant type of branching
(excluding environmental branching)


Head: shape of grain side


1
strongly


2


3


4


5


6


2
3
4
elongated
narrow ovoid
broad ovoid
rounded

Seed stripes

on margin

between margins

## Position of stripes

1 Marginal 2 Lateral 3 Both marginal and lateral


Shape of cotyledons

## 1 Elliptical 2 Oval 3 Extended 4 Rounded



## Head angle at maturity



