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**ASSOCIATION OF OFFICIAL SEED CERTIFYING AGENCIES
GRASS VARIETY REVIEW BOARD
AMENDMENT APPLICATION – 2023**

APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO ORIGINAL APPLICATION (GRASS)

Please email the completed application to: nvrb@aosca.org

All information provided on this application shall be maintained in complete confidence by the Association of Official Seed Certifying Agencies (AOSCA), its staff, and individual members of the AOSCA Variety Review Board. Each member of the Review Board will be required to sign a statement to this effect prior to their receipt of any applications for review. Upon completion of the review process, reviewers will be required to destroy or delete all applications in their possession. One copy of each application will be maintained on file in the AOSCA office.

Date _____

Applicant's Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ - _____
(2 letter abbreviation) (9 digit code, if available)

Telephone _____ Fax _____ E-Mail _____

Sponsoring Institution (if other than Applicant) _____

Breeder's Name (if other than Applicant) _____

Original name of variety to be amended _____

Experimental Designation(s) _____

Statement of Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement
for Applicants to Variety Review Boards

By submitting this application for review the sponsor, breeder and/or the owner of the variety acknowledge that the function of the review board is to review the material as it is submitted. It is also understood that the information contained within the application is deemed confidential and that only the summary information submitted by the applicant will be made available to the general public by the Association of Official Seed Certifying Agencies. All statements that claim a particular fact or characteristic of the variety must be documented in the application for review. Failure to do so may result in the application being returned to the applicant without acknowledgment of the variety as being eligible for certification. A favorable review of the variety does not constitute certification of the variety or any seed being produced. Likewise, an unfavorable review does not bar the sponsor of the variety from seeking alternative methods of review in order to qualify the variety as eligible for certification in specific states. The person, company, or organization submitting this application for review hereby indemnifies and holds harmless the Association of Official Seed Certifying Agencies, the members of the variety review board and the organizations and agencies that sponsor the members of the review board from and/or against any and all claims, damages, costs, liabilities and expenses that arise in connection with the review of varieties for eligibility for certification.

Printed Name of Representative or Agent of Owner**

Date

Signature of Representative or Agent of Owner**

Date

**An electronic signature or name of the agent (person) may accompany digitally submitted applications.

I. Amendments included in this application. Any changes including editorial revisions, corrections, etc. must be submitted for approval and fully explained. (See Section II below.)

A. Added or changed variety name: * _____

***NOTE: If submitting this amendment for a name change, please attach approval/clearance documentation from USDA stating that the new name is not recognized as a duplicate in their records.**

Variety Name _____

Experimental Designation(s) _____

Date GVRB first recommended this variety _____

Date(s) any previous amendments were recommended _____

Date this amendment was submitted _____

II. If the amendment request is for reasons other than a variety name change, please follow the instructions below. The breeder, sponsoring institution, or organization must describe and **DOCUMENT** in this amended application those characteristics to be amended for the variety which give it additional distinctiveness and merit by supplying the information requested on an application form (items I. to V.). Information must be supplied for each category to be amended. This information is to be submitted using the format in the original application. Action will be deferred unless the information is sufficiently documented.

A. Tests for additional characteristics (state varietal characteristics to be added).

B. Other amendments (editorial revisions, corrections, etc) must all be fully explained with copies of the original page(s) attached to the revised pages. *

III. Amendments from section II must include:

A. A copy of the original one-page description/summary from the first time the variety was recommended by the GVRB. Recommendation date must be noted on the copy if not already present. Previously recommended description summaries from 2006 (both originals and amendments) are available at www.aosca.org in the "Grass" link.

B. One copy of each one-page description/summary page from all **previously recommended amendments** for this variety. Note date recommended for each such amended description/summary page if not already present.

C. Two (2) copies of the one-page description/summary page for the amendment **currently being submitted** for review.

1. One copy with the changes for review highlighted.

2. One "clean" copy, with highlighted changes removed.

(This copy will be inserted into the final AOSCA published report).

3. Insert the following information at the top of each of these current amendment applications.

Variety Name _____

Experimental Designation(s) _____

Date GVRB first recommended this variety _____

Date(s) previous amendments were recommended _____

Date amendment submitted _____

*Two or more tests are required to amend any previous data if a higher resistance rating is claimed. If a resistance rating is dropped, only one additional test is required.

Please attach a one-page description/summary of your variety as you wish it published by AOSCA. This description must stand on its own. Please state the variety name and date submitted; if it is an amended description type: (Amended) after the variety name. Use complete sentences, and number each item following the format given below.

Include the following:

Grass

Insert Variety Name Here Insert Experimental Designation Name(s) Here (Amended)

Variety Name _____

Experimental Designation(s) _____

Date GVRB first recommended this variety _____

Date(s) previous amendments were recommended _____

Date amendment submitted _____

Breeding History

A statement of origin describing breeding procedures or methods and selection criteria used in developing the variety. Statement should include the following:

1. Breeding method
2. Selection criteria - specific traits. Indicate race/strain of pests used in selection.

Area of probable adaptation

Area of probable adaptation (geographic area) and primary purpose (if other than hay, haylage, greenchop, or dehydration) for which this variety will be used. Report states where the variety has been tested for yield and proposed areas of intended use.

Agronomic and Botanical Characteristics

Such as fall dormancy, flower color, and any other morphological or physiological characteristics that may be used as identifying traits.* Indicate syn generation of flower color determined.

A statement relative to the variety=s resistance to anthracnose (Race 1), bacterial wilt, fusarium wilt, Verticillium wilt, Phytophthora root rot, stem nematode, pea aphid, spotted alfalfa aphid, blue alfalfa aphid, aphanomyces root rot (Race 1), root knot nematode, and other evaluated pests. Races and species should be indicated if known to exist.

Procedures for maintaining seed stock

Procedures for maintaining seed stock, seed classes to be used, a statement as to the limitation of age of stand and generations that may be certified, other requirements or limitations necessary to maintain varietal characteristics, and who will maintain seed stocks of the variety. The year of breeder seed production should be indicated.

Date certified seed first be offered for sale

If this variety is recommended by official certifying agencies, when will certified seed first be offered for sale?

PVP Information

Will application be made for protection under the Plant Variety Protection Act, and if so, will the certification option be requested?

As a means of added varietal protection, are you willing to have the information in this application turned over to the PVP office?



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INVOICE

GRASS VARIETY REVIEW BOARD

Date _____

Company Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ - _____
(2 letter abbreviation) (9 digit code, if available)

Telephone _____ Fax _____

Grass Variety Review Board		Quantity	Total
Review Board Amendment	@ \$ 50.00 per application x	_____	= \$ _____
Review Board Amendment/Name Change	@ No Cost-Name Change x	_____	_____
GRAND TOTAL AMOUNT DUE			\$ _____

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION(S) AND PAYMENT IS **JANUARY 6, 2023.**

We now offer and encourage the option to pay electronically. If you can pay using a credit card or electronic funds transfer notify [Teresa Snyder](#).

If you wish to mail your check, please make it payable to AOSCA, mail check and invoice to:
AOSCA, PO Box 174, Fayette, MO 65248.