

Gerbera

Flower

Botrytis

Description: the flower wilts entirely or partially due to rot in the heart (heart rot) and/or distinct brown stripes or spots are visible in the ligulate florets.

Reject: if all or part of the flower is wilting due to rot in the heart and/or if more than 10% of the surface of the ligulate florets is affected by Botrytis.

Mildew

Description: the ligulate flowers are affected by mildew.

Reject: if 10% or more of the surface of the ligulate flowers (at the top) are affected.

Mould in flowerheart

Description: fungous infection shows in the heart of the flower.

Reject: if more than 50% of the heart is affected.

Wilting flowers

Description: the ligulate florets are wilting.

Reject: if more than 50% of the ligulate florets are wilting.

Closing

Description: the flowers close.

Record: degree of closure.

End of flowering

Description: the flower (the heart) falls apart.

Reject: if this phenomenon occurs.

Discolouration

Description: the entire flower is discoloured or the tips turn blue or brown.

Reject: if more than 50% of the ligulate florets shows clearly discoloured tips.

Record: record discolouration of the flower.

Changed appearance

Description: the ligulate florets shrivel or roll up

Reject: if spaces appears between the ligulate florets (loss of symmetry, see photos).



do not reject

reject from this point

Deformation

Record: the flower is deformed.

Stem

Drooping

Description: the flower hangs below the highest point of the stem.

Reject: when detected.

Desiccation

Description: desiccation and bending of the stem just below the bud.

Reject: if the flower wobbles on its stem.

Bending

Description: the stem bends.

Reject: when detected.

Chlorine damage

Record: brown spots appear on the stem or the (bottom end of the) stem turns brown or the bottom end of the stem loses its colour.

Slimy stems

Record: the part of the stem standing in the water has turned slimy.