

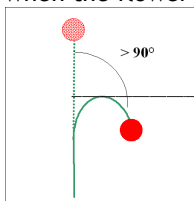
# Evaluation card

## Rosa

### Flower

#### **Bent neck**

**Description:** the drying and kinking of the stem just below the bud.  
**Write-off:** when the flower is at an angle greater than 90° (see figure).



#### **Botrytis**

**Description:** light damage: visible pox on the petals.  
Heavy infestation: Brown spots of 1 cm or larger on the petals and/or disintegration of the flower (or receptacle) and/or the receptacle is seriously affected.  
**Write-off:** if five or more petals suffer from severe damage and/or the receptacle is severely compromised.

#### **Brown flower**

**Description:** the petals are clearly turning brown, not as a result of Botrytis.  
**Write-off:** if more than 5 petals are clearly (which is more than half) brown.

#### **Flower desiccation**

**Description:** the flower withers without blooming or turns yellow.  
**Write-off:** upon detection.  
**Write-off:** spray roses: if more than 50% of the total number of flowers present exhibits this phenomenon.

#### **End of flowering**

**Description:** the rose has fully opened (stage 4 and 5), the petals are falling off and/or discoloring.  
**Write-off:** if more than two petals have fallen off or if the flower is visibly limp. Writing off cannot be done based on discoloration alone.  
**Write-off:** spray roses: if more than 50% of the flowers have bloomed.

#### **Flower edges**

**Description:** the edges of the petals turn brown or black and may wither or brown spots may appear on the outside of the petals (in red cultivars).  
**Write-off:** if five or more petals are severely affected (i.e. more than 1 cm) by any of these symptoms.

#### **Withering**

**Description:** the flower is visibly limp (hanging limply or the petals become wrinkled).  
**Write-off:** upon detection.

#### **Bud opening**

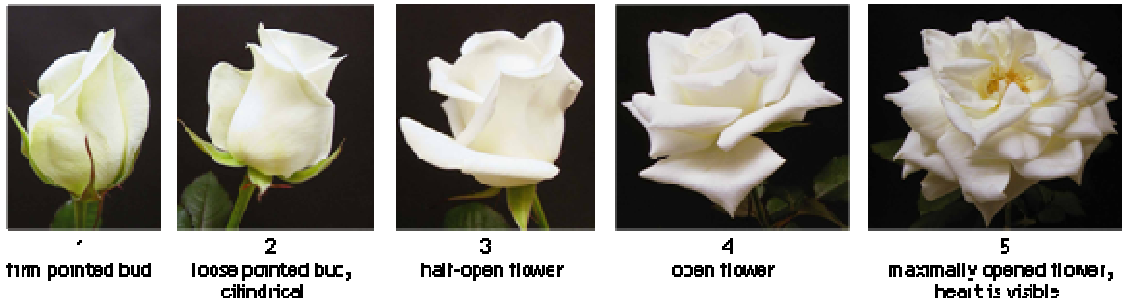
**Register:** the extent to which the flower bud develops during the vase life. Form loss is also registered (such as cup shape).

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There are five stages:



The following applies for spray roses:

Stage 1: Most of the buds from the stem are in stage 1

Stage 2: Most of the buds from the stem are in stage 2

Stage 3: Most of the buds from the stem are in stage 3

Stage 4: Most of the buds from the stem are in stage 4

Stage 5: Most of the buds from the stem are in stage 5

#### Cup shape



*Description:* see photo.  
*Register:* upon detection.

#### Bud desiccation

*Description:* the buds wither and/or turn yellow.  
*Register:* the extent of bud desiccation.

#### Discoloration

*Register:* the petals turn blue or pale in color.

#### Stem

##### Kinking

*Description:* the stem kinks.  
*Write-off:* upon detection.

##### Botrytis

*Description:* the stem discolors gray to black, sometimes gray fluffy mold appears, part of the stem above the affected area withers and the flower withers.  
*Write-off:* upon detection.

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**Damage**

*Register:* the stem changes color, discolours, or withers.

**Foliage****Leaf shedding (abscission)**

*Description:* the leaves fall from the stem.

*Write-off:* if more than 50% of the total number of leaves has fallen from the stem.

**Leaf burning and/or desiccation**

*Description:* the leaves wither.

*Write-off:* if more than 50% of the total leaf surface area and/or 50% of the total number of leaves have reached at least the stage in the photo.

**Yellow and/or brown foliage**

*Description:* the leaves turn yellow and/or brown.

*Write-off:* if more than 50% of the total leaf surface area and/or 50% of the total number of leaves is affected by this phenomenon (see photo).

**Limp foliage**

*Description:* the leaves (of the compound leaf) are limp and/or the entire leaf is limp.

*Write-off:* if more than 50% of the number of flowers is limp.

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**Leaf spots**

*Description:* the leaves have brown/black spots.

*Write-off:* if more than 50% of the total leaf surface area and/or 50% of the total number of leaves is affected by this phenomenon (see photo).



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