

# **ANNEX 1**

## **Crop parameters**

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# Annex I.

## Crop parameters

### Note

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The recommended values provided for the crop parameters in the tables below represent estimates obtained in calibration/validation exercises of AquaCrop with experimental data. How good these estimates are depends on how extensive and thorough were the calibration and validation, and varies with the crop species listed. The experimental data used for a crop might have been taken in one to many locations, with or without water and temperature as limiting factors, and representing a few to many years of experiments. The notes and symbols before each table provide indications of the thoroughness of the calibration/validation process with respect to optimal and water stress conditions, as well as with respect to the coverage of major production areas of that crop around the world. Note that if a crop is important in many geographical areas, even if testing with data from four or five diverse locations would not be considered thorough, whereas testing with data from three locations for a crop limited to one geographical area may be considered as adequate.

The experiments used for calibration and validation were generally conducted under high levels of management, with the control treatments aimed at production levels close to the maximum potential achievable in that location. All the data used were obtained under conditions of good soil mineral nutrient status. The soil fertility feature of AquaCrop is just beginning to be tested now with data.

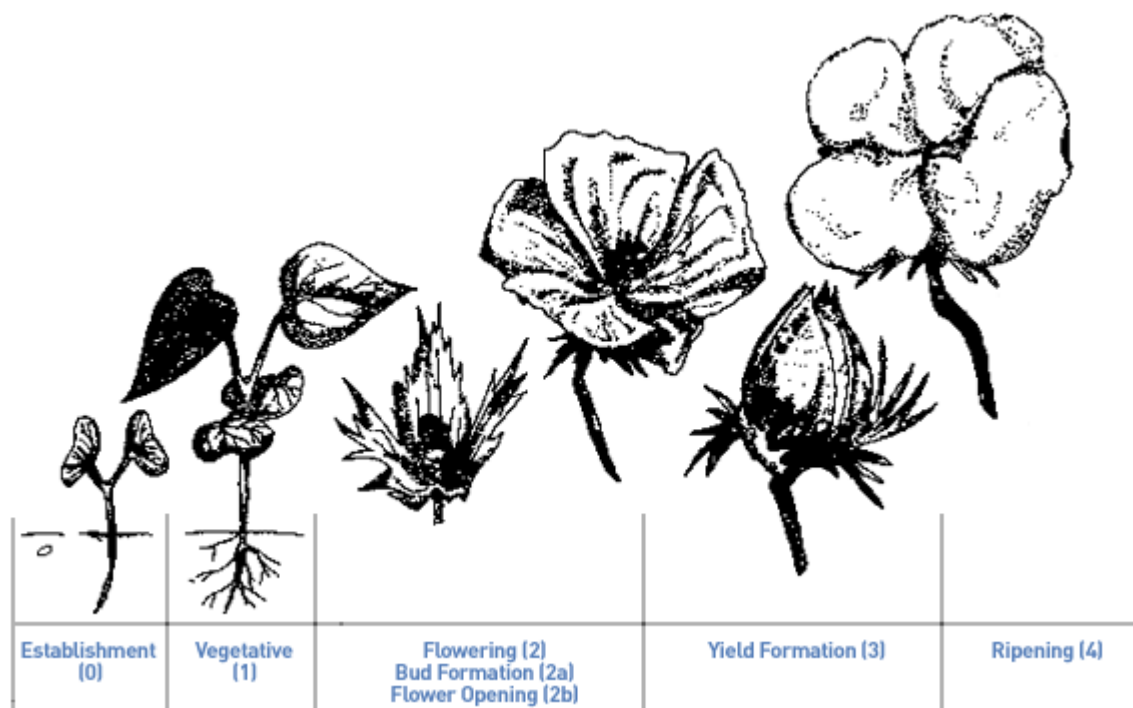
In using the tables the differences in thoroughness of calibration and validation of the parameters for the different crops should be considered. For the better tested crops, the values provided should yield reasonable results, although small adjustments in the parameter values may prove to be desirable. For the less tested crops, the user may want to consider the values provided as preliminary and starting values subject to revision, either by user calibration or by revision in future versions of AquaCrop, as more experimental data are brought to bear. We encourage users to contact AquaCrop Helpdesk [aquacrop@fao.org](mailto:aquacrop@fao.org), in order to contribute to the calibration and validation of AquaCrop either for crops not yet in the list of tables or for those in the tables, for future revisions of the current version.

In the simulation output crop yield is always reported as dry matter, although the calibration for grain crops was performed against yield measurements that had water contents not too far from the water content of commercial grain (10-15 %). For potato and sugar beet, the simulated dry matter yield can be converted to fresh weight (usual way commercial yields are reported) best by using the measured water or dry matter content of the product. If that information is not available, a general conversion factor, in terms of kg of dry matter per kg fresh weight, of 0.20 to 0.25 may be used.

AquaCrop is a relatively simple model by design, yet suitable for the simulation of most herbaceous species. The decision was made to keep the model simple and more general.

The model can be modified to account for some unusual characteristic specific for a particular crop, but to do that for a number of crops each with its own special characteristics would make the model too complex. The user should be aware of this limitation of the model. Examples of such special characteristics are: (1) The cutout phenomenon exhibited by cotton under some conditions, when additional flowers (squares) and young fruits (bolls) no longer form when the fruit load is already large; but once the existing fruits mature and conditions are favorable, new flowers and fruits are produced again. Cutout can be induced by mild to moderate water stress but is simulated only indirectly in a limited way by the model. (2) Low land (flooded) rice can experience substantial variations in the water level of the field. This would determine how much of the canopy is submerged and not transpiring or photosynthesizing, and hence not producing biomass. The model does not consider submergence and assumes only a very small part of the canopy is submerged and this has no effect on transpiration or biomass production.

## I.1 Cotton



### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions ☺ ☺
- Water stress conditions ☺ ☺
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas) ☺ ☺
- Overall ☺ ☺

- No calibration
- ☺ Minimum degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ Medium degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ Good degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ ☺ Optimum degree of calibration

**Note** - The cutout phenomenon exhibited by cotton under some conditions, when additional flowers (squares) and young fruits (bolls) no longer form when the fruit load is already large; but once the existing fruits mature and conditions are favorable, new flowers and fruits are produced again. Cutout can be induced by mild to moderate water stress but is simulated only indirectly in a limited way by the model.

## I.1 Cotton

<b>1. Crop Phenology</b>			
Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	12.0
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	35.0
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% emergence (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	5.00 - 7.00
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	60,000 – 150,000
	Time from sowing to emergence (growing degree day)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	10 - 80
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.006 - 0.008
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Almost entirely covered - Entirely covered
	Time from sowing to start senescence (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 1000 - 1800
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.002 - 0.003
	Time from sowing to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 1200 - 2000
<b>1.3 Flowering</b>			
	Time from sowing to flowering (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 450 - 700
	Length of the flowering stage (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	450 - 750
	Crop determinacy linked with flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	No
<b>1.4 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Up to 2.50
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.5

## I.1 Cotton continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>cTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.10
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.30
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	60
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	15.0
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	70
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>o</sub>	Reference harvest index (%)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	25 - 40
	Possible increase (%) of HI due to water stress before flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Excess of potential fruits (%)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	Large
	Coefficient describing positive impact of restricted vegetative growth during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Moderate
	Coefficient describing negative impact of stomatal closure during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Allowable maximum increase (%) of specified HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	30

(1) Conservative generally applicable

(2) Conservative for a given specie but can or may be cultivar specific

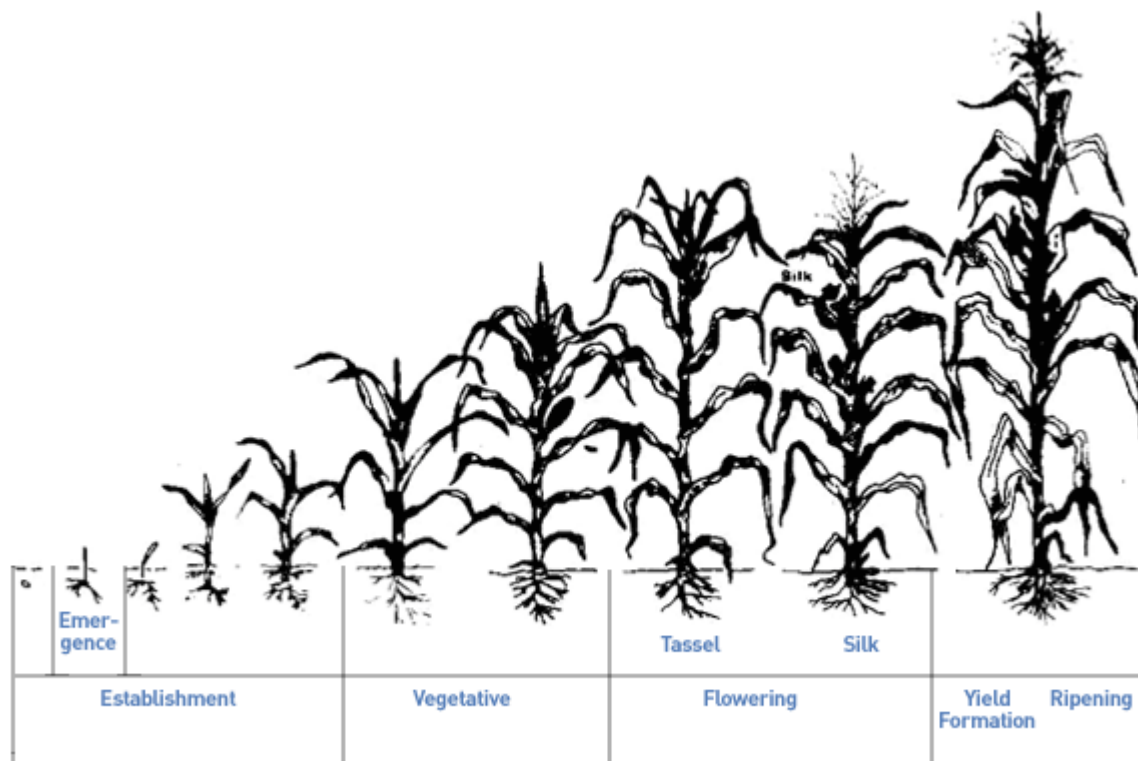
(3) Dependent on environment and/or management

(4) Cultivar specific

## I.1 Cotton continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.20
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.70
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.65
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.5
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.75
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.5
p <sub>pol</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for failure of pollination - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.85 (Estimate)
	Vol% at anaerobic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	Moderately tolerant to water logging
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum air temperature below which pollination starts to fail (cold stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	15.0 (Estimate)
	Maximum air temperature above which pollination starts to fail (heat stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	40.0 to 45.0 (Estimate)
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Not considered
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
ECe <sub>n</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	7.7
ECe <sub>x</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	26.9

## I.2 Maize



### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions ☺ ☺ ☺
- Water stress conditions ☺ ☺
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas) ☺ ☺ ☺
- Overall ☺ ☺ ☺

- No calibration
- ☺ Minimum degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ Medium degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ Good degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ ☺ Optimum degree of calibration

**Note** - Maize parameters have been mostly generated from the calibration reported by Hsiao et al., 2009. AquaCrop — the FAO crop model to simulate yield response to water: III. Parameterization and testing for maize. Agron. J. 101 (3): 448-459.



## I.2 Maize

<b>1. Crop Phenology</b>			
Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	8.0
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	30.0
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% emergence (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	6.50
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	50,000 – 100,000
	Time from sowing to emergence (growing degree day)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	60 - 100
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.012 - 0.013
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	65 – 99 %
	Time from sowing to start senescence (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 1150 - 1500
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.010
	Time from sowing to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 1450 - 1850
<b>1.3 Flowering</b>			
	Time from sowing to flowering (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 600 - 900
	Length of the flowering stage (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	150 - 200
	Crop determinacy linked with flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes
<b>1.4 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Up to 2.80
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.3

## I.2 Maize continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>cTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.05
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.30
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	50
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	33.7
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	100
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>o</sub>	Reference harvest index (%)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	48 - 52
	Possible increase (%) of HI due to water stress before flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	None
	Excess of potential fruits (%)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	Small
	Coefficient describing positive impact of restricted vegetative growth during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Coefficient describing negative impact of stomatal closure during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Strong
	Allowable maximum increase (%) of specified HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	15

(1) Conservative generally applicable

(2) Conservative for a given specie but can or may be cultivar specific

(3) Dependent on environment and/or management

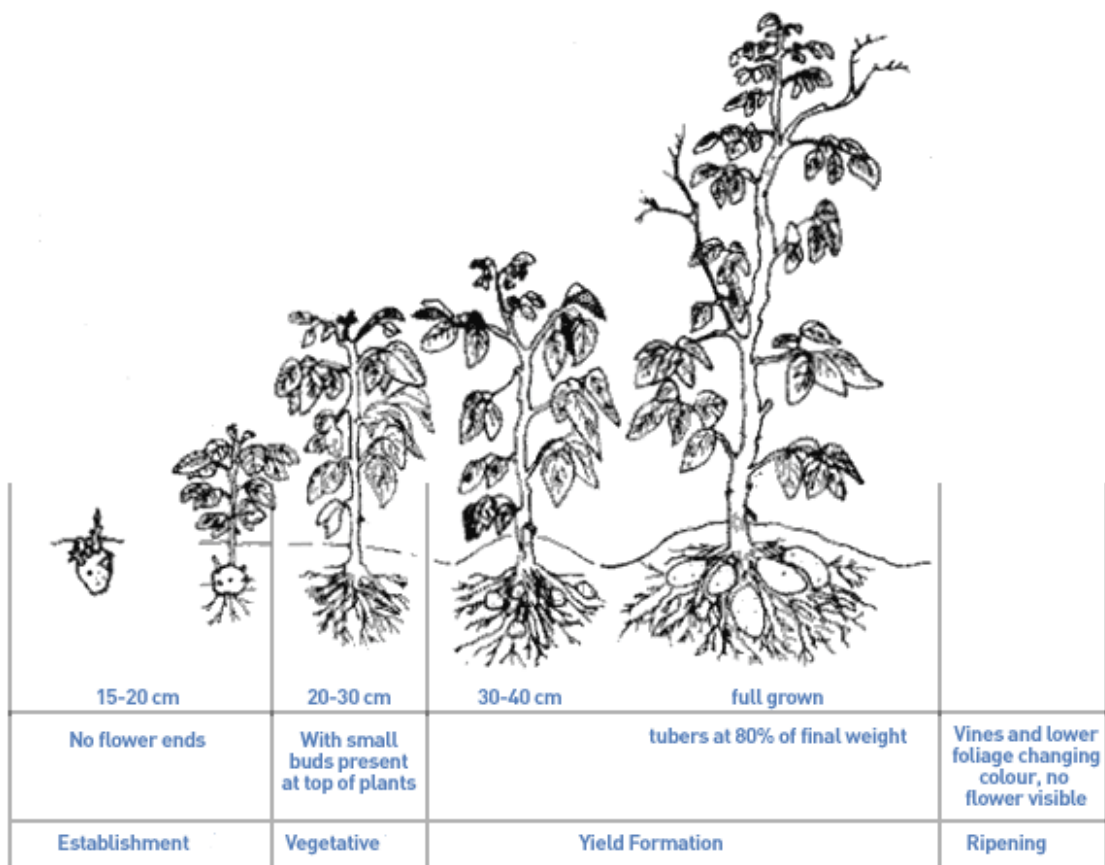
(4) Cultivar specific

**Note** - Maize yield is considered having water content not far from that of commercial grain (10-15 %).

## I.2 Maize continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.14
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.72
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.9
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.69
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	6.0
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.69
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.7
p <sub>pol</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for failure of pollination - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.80 (Estimate)
	Vol% at anaerobic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	Moderately tolerant to water logging
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum air temperature below which pollination starts to fail (cold stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10.0 (Estimate)
	Maximum air temperature above which pollination starts to fail (heat stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	40.0 (Estimate)
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	12.0 (Estimated)
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
ECe <sub>n</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.7
ECe <sub>x</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10.0

### I.3 Potato



#### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions ☺
- Water stress conditions ☺
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas) ☺
- Overall ☺

- No calibration
- ☺ Minimum degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ Medium degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ Good degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ ☺ Optimum degree of calibration

### I.3 Potato

<b>1. Crop Phenology</b>			
Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.0
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	26.0
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% emergence (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup> Management <sup>(3)</sup>	10 - 20
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	30,000 – 60,000
	Time from sowing to emergence (growing degree day)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	150 - 250
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.017 - 0.020
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Almost entirely covered
	Time from sowing to start senescence (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 850 - 1000
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.002
	Time from sowing to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 800 - 1800
<b>1.3 Yield formation</b>			
	Time from sowing to start yield formation (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 350 - 650
<b>1.4 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Up to 1.80
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.5

### I.3 Potato continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>cTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.10
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.15
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	60
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	18.0 - 20.0
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	100
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>o</sub>	Reference harvest index (%)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	70 - 85
	Possible increase (%) of HI due to water stress before starting yield formation	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Coefficient describing positive impact of restricted vegetative growth during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	None
	Coefficient describing negative impact of stomatal closure during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Allowable maximum increase (%) of specified HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	5

(1) Conservative generally applicable

(2) Conservative for a given specie but can or may be cultivar specific

(3) Dependent on environment and/or management

(4) Cultivar specific

**Note** - Potato yield is expressed as dry matter. Simulated dry matter yield can be converted to fresh weight best by using the measured water or dry matter content of the product. A general conversion factor of 20% to 25%, in terms of kg of dry matter per kg fresh weight, may be used.

### I.3 Potato continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.20
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.60
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.55
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.70
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
	Vol% at anaerobic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	Moderately tolerant to water logging
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	5.0 - 9.0 (Estimated)
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
ECe <sub>n</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.7
ECe <sub>x</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10.0

## I.4 Quinoa



### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions ☺ ☺
- Water stress conditions ☺ ☺
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas) ☺ ☺ ☺
- Overall ☺ ☺

- No calibration
- ☺ Minimum degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ Medium degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ Good degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ ☺ Optimum degree of calibration

**Note** - Quinoa parameters have been generated from the calibration reported by Geerts et al., 2009. Simulating Yield Response to Water of Quinoa (*Chenopodium quinoa* Willd.) with FAO-AquaCrop. Agron. J. 101 (3): 499-508.

**Note** - Calendar days instead of growing degree day mode is herein suggested in order to keep the calibration more generic for different varieties with unknown growing degree days sums for different phenological stages.



## I.4 Quinoa

### 1. Crop Phenology

Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.0 – 3.0 (Estimate)
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Not calibrated
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% emergence (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	6.50 (Estimate)
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	5,000 – 300,000
	Time from sowing to emergence (days)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	5 – 10 <sup>1</sup>
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.100
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	50 - 100
	Time from sowing to start senescence (days)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 135 - 170
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.100
	Time from sowing to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (days)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 165 - 195
<b>1.3 Flowering</b>			
	Time from sowing to flowering (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 65 - 110
	Length of the flowering stage (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	15 - 20
	Crop determinacy linked with flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	No <sup>2</sup>
<b>1.4 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Up to 1.00
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.5 <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> In Crop Program settings, Germination reduce the Minimum soil water content required for germination from the default 20% to 10% of TAW.

<sup>2</sup> Artificial measure to account for the flexible phenology of quinoa in response to drought stress.

<sup>3</sup> In Crop Program settings, Root zone put the effect of water stress on root development as Not considered.

## I.4 Quinoa continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>cTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.10
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.15
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	60
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10.5
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	90
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>o</sub>	Reference harvest index (%)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	50
	Possible increase (%) of HI due to water stress before flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	None
	Excess of potential fruits (%)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	Small
	Coefficient describing positive impact of restricted vegetative growth during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	None
	Coefficient describing negative impact of stomatal closure during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Allowable maximum increase (%) of specified HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10 (Estimate)

(1) Conservative generally applicable

(2) Conservative for a given specie but can or may be cultivar specific

(3) Dependent on environment and/or management

(4) Cultivar specific

## I.4 Quinoa continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.50
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.80
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	4.0
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.60
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	4.0
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.98
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	4.0
	Sum(ETo) during stress period to be exceeded before senescence is triggered	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	200
p <sub>pol</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for failure of pollination - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.90 (Estimate)
	Vol% at anaerobic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	Sensitive to water logging
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum air temperature below which pollination starts to fail (cold stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Not considered
	Maximum air temperature above which pollination starts to fail (heat stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Not considered
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Not considered
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
ECe <sub>n</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	5.0 (Estimated)
ECe <sub>x</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	18.0 (Estimated)

## I.5 Rice



### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions ☺ ☺
- Water stress conditions ■
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas) ☺
- Overall ☺

- No calibration  
☺ Minimum degree of calibration  
☺ ☺ Medium degree of calibration  
☺ ☺ ☺ Good degree of calibration  
☺ ☺ ☺ ☺ Optimum degree of calibration

**Note** – The present AquaCrop calibration applies to Paddy (flooded) rice only. Simulate puddled soil (e.g. default soil file PADDY.SOL) and soil bunds (e.g. default Field management file BUNDS.MAN)

## 1.5 Rice

<b>1. Crop Phenology</b>			
Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	8.0
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	30.0
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% recover (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup> Management <sup>(3)</sup>	3.00 - 8.00
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	300,000 – 1,500,000
	Time from transplanting to recover (growing degree day)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	35 - 100
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.006 - 0.008
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Almost entirely covered
	Time from transplanting to start senescence (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to recover + 1000 - 1500
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.005
	Time from transplanting to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (GD day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to recover + 1500 - 2000
<b>1.3 Flowering</b>			
	Time from sowing to flowering (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to recover + 1000 - 1300
	Length of the flowering stage (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	300 - 400
	Crop determinacy linked with flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes
<b>1.4 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Up to 0.60
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.0 - 3.0

## 1.5 Rice continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>CTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.10
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.15
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	50
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	19.0
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	100
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>o</sub>	Reference harvest index (%)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	35 - 50
	Possible increase (%) of HI due to water stress before flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	None
	Excess of potential fruits (%)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	Large
	Coefficient describing positive impact of restricted vegetative growth during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Coefficient describing negative impact of stomatal closure during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Moderate
	Allowable maximum increase (%) of specified HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	15

(1) Conservative generally applicable

(2) Conservative for a given specie but can or may be cultivar specific

(3) Dependent on environment and/or management

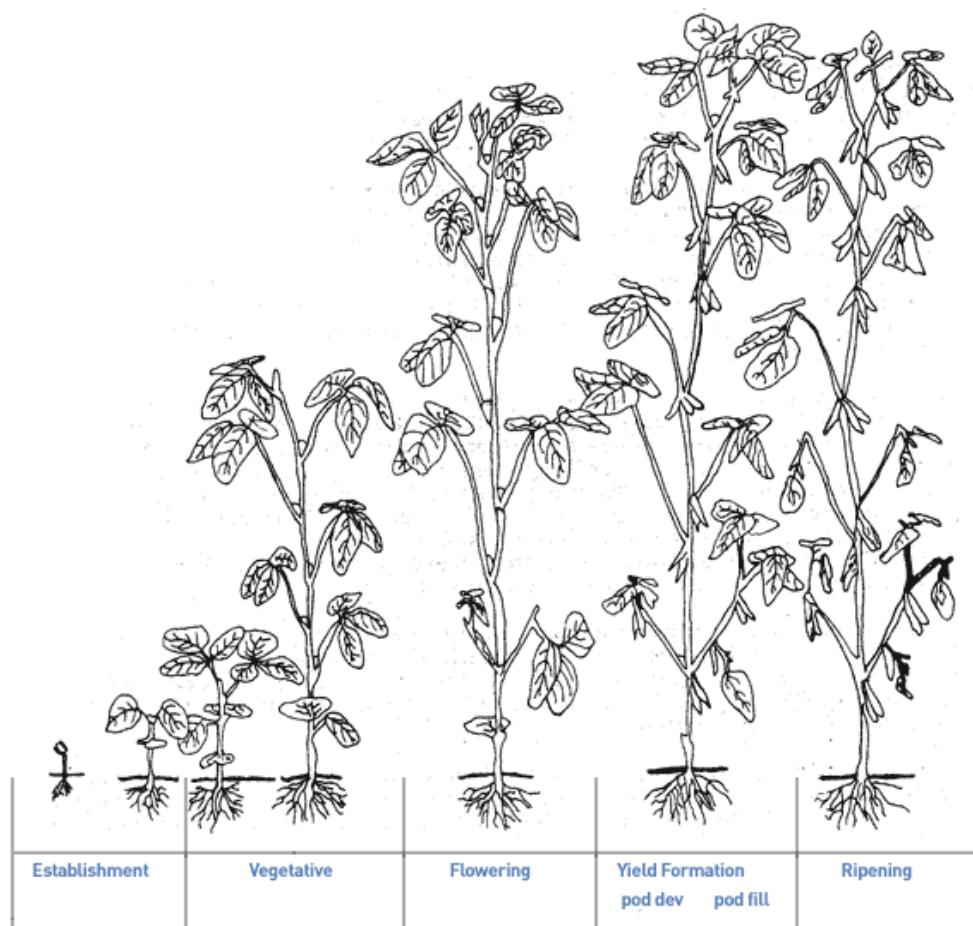
(4) Cultivar specific

**Note** - Rice yield is considered having water content not far from that of commercial grain (10-15 %).

## 1.5 Rice continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.00
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.40
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.50
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.55
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>pol</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for failure of pollination - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.75 (Estimate)
	Vol% at anaerobic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	Not stressed when water logged
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum air temperature below which pollination starts to fail (cold stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	8.0
	Maximum air temperature above which pollination starts to fail (heat stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	35.0
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10.0 (Estimated)
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
ECe <sub>n</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
ECe <sub>x</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	11.3

## I.6 Soybean



### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions ☺ ☺
- Water stress conditions ☺
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas) ☺ ☺ ☺
- Overall ☺ ☺

- No calibration
- ☺ Minimum degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ Medium degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ Good degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ ☺ Optimum degree of calibration



## I.6 Soybean

<b>1. Crop Phenology</b>			
Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	5.0
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	30.0
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% emergence (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	5.00
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	250,000 – 450,000
	Time from sowing to emergence (growing degree day)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	150 - 300
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.004 - 0.005
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Almost entirely covered - Entirely covered
	Time from sowing to start senescence (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 1600 - 2400
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.015
	Time from sowing to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 2000 - 3000
<b>1.3 Flowering</b>			
	Time from sowing to flowering (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 1000 - 1500
	Length of the flowering stage (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	400 - 800
	Crop determinacy linked with flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes
<b>1.4 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Up to 2.40
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.5

## 1.6 Soybean continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>cTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.10
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.30
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	25
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	15.0
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	60
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>o</sub>	Reference harvest index (%)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	40
	Possible increase (%) of HI due to water stress before flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Excess of potential fruits (%)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	Medium
	Coefficient describing positive impact of restricted vegetative growth during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	None
	Coefficient describing negative impact of stomatal closure during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Strong
	Allowable maximum increase (%) of specified HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10

(1) Conservative generally applicable

(2) Conservative for a given specie but can or may be cultivar specific

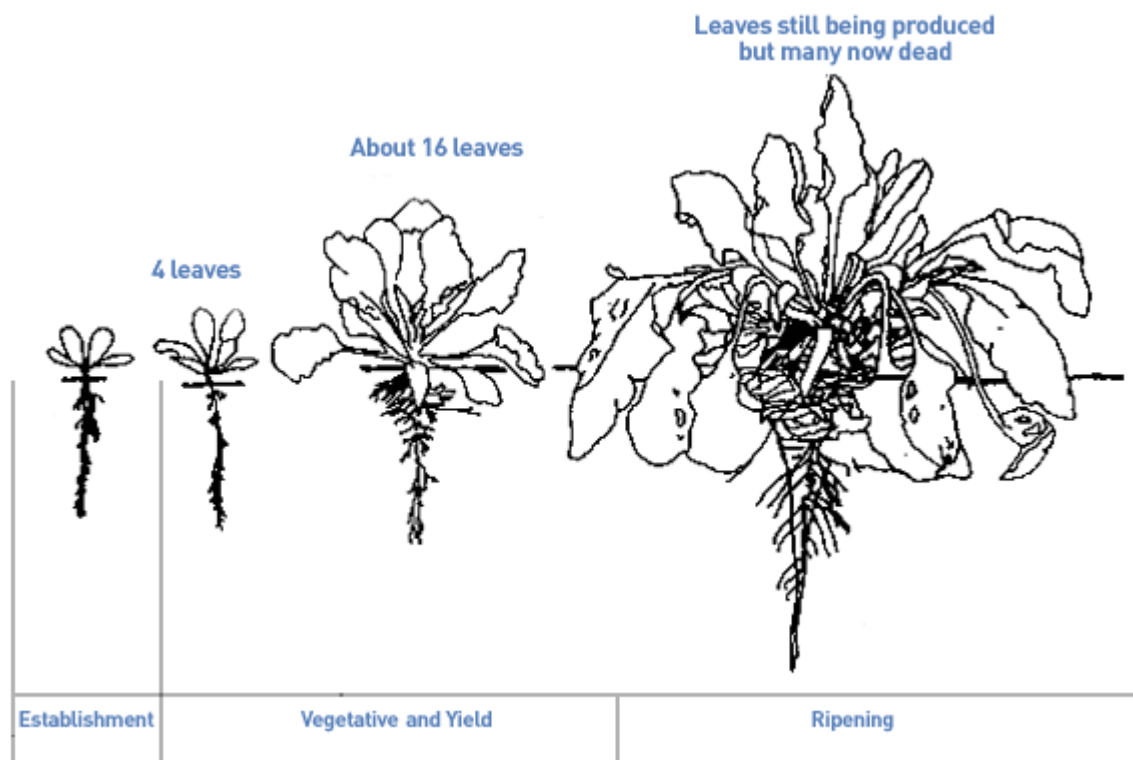
(3) Dependent on environment and/or management

(4) Cultivar specific

## I.6 Soybean continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.15
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.65
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.50
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.70
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>pol</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for failure of pollination - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.85 (Estimate)
	Vol% at anaerobic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	Moderately tolerant to water logging
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum air temperature below which pollination starts to fail (cold stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	8.0 (Estimate)
	Maximum air temperature above which pollination starts to fail (heat stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	40.0 (Estimate)
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10.0 (Estimate)
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
EC <sub>e<sub>n</sub></sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	5.0
EC <sub>e<sub>x</sub></sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10.0

## I.7 Sugar Beet



### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions ☺ ☺
- Water stress conditions ▣
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas) ☺
- Overall ☺

- ▣ No calibration
- ☺ Minimum degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ Medium degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ Good degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ ☺ Optimum degree of calibration

## I.7 Sugar Beet

<b>1. Crop Phenology</b>			
Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	5.0
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	30.0
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% emergence (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	1.00
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	80,000 – 120,000
	Time from sowing to emergence (growing degree day)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	20 - 50
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.010 - 0.012
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Up to Almost entirely covered
	Time from sowing to start senescence (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 1700 - 2300
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.003 - 0.004
	Time from sowing to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 2000 - 2800
<b>1.3 Yield formation</b>			
	Time from sowing to start yield formation (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 800 - 1000
<b>1.4 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Up to 2.40
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.5

## 1.7 Sugar Beet continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>cTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.10
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.15
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	60
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	17.0
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	100
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>o</sub>	Reference harvest index (%)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	65 - 75
	Possible increase (%) of HI due to water stress before starting yield formation	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	None
	Coefficient describing positive impact of restricted vegetative growth during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Coefficient describing negative impact of stomatal closure during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	None
	Allowable maximum increase (%) of specified HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	20

(1) Conservative generally applicable

(2) Conservative for a given specie but can or may be cultivar specific

(3) Dependent on environment and/or management

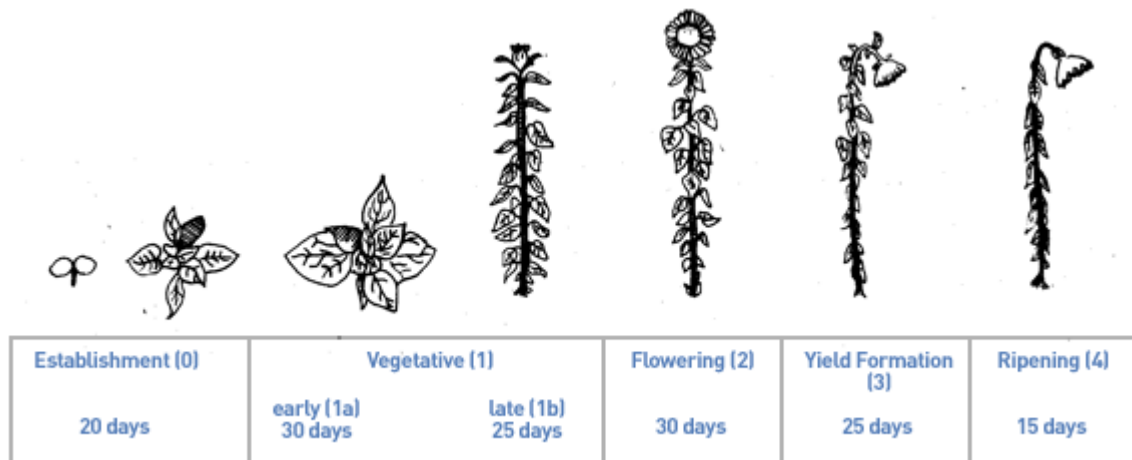
(4) Cultivar specific

**Note** - Sugarbeet yield is expressed as dry matter. Simulated dry matter yield can be converted to fresh weight best by using the measured water or dry matter content of the product. A general conversion factor of 25 to 20%, in terms of kg of dry matter per kg fresh weight, may be used.

## I.7 Sugar Beet continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.25
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.70
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	4.0
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.65
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.5
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.75
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.5
	Vol% at anaerobic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	Moderately tolerant to water logging
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	9.0 (Estimated)
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
ECe <sub>n</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	7.0
ECe <sub>x</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	24.0

## I.8 Sunflower



### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions ☺ ☺
- Water stress conditions ☺ ☺
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas) ☺
- Overall ☺ ☺

- No calibration
- ☺ Minimum degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ Medium degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ Good degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ ☺ Optimum degree of calibration

**Note** -There is more variation in season length in sunflower than in many other crops. Commercial varieties range from very early to very late maturing, differing by more than 50 % in season length. The parameters in the Table are recommended for medium to late maturing cultivars .



## I.8 Sunflower

<b>1. Crop Phenology</b>			
Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	4.0
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	30.0
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% emergence (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	5.00
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	50,000 – 70,000
	Time from sowing to emergence (growing degree day)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	150 - 200
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.015
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Entirely covered
	Time from sowing to start senescence (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 1400 - 1800
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.006
	Time from sowing to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 2200 - 2800
<b>1.3 Flowering</b>			
	Time from sowing to flowering (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 1000 - 1300
	Length of the flowering stage (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	300 - 400
	Crop determinacy linked with flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes
<b>1.4 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Up to 3.00
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.3

## I.8 Sunflower continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>cTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.10
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.30
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	60
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	18.0
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	60
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>o</sub>	Reference harvest index (%)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	35
	Possible increase (%) of HI due to water stress before flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Excess of potential fruits (%)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	Large
	Coefficient describing positive impact of restricted vegetative growth during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	None
	Coefficient describing negative impact of stomatal closure during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Strong
	Allowable maximum increase (%) of specified HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10

(1) Conservative generally applicable

(2) Conservative for a given specie but can or may be cultivar specific

(3) Dependent on environment and/or management

(4) Cultivar specific

## I.8 Sunflower continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.15
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.65
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.5
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.60
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.5
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.70
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.5
p <sub>pol</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for failure of pollination - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.85 (Estimate)
	Vol% at anaerobic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	Moderately tolerant to water logging
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum air temperature below which pollination starts to fail (cold stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10
	Maximum air temperature above which pollination starts to fail (heat stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	40
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	12
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
ECe <sub>n</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.0 (Estimate)
ECe <sub>x</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	12.0 (Estimate)

## I.9 Tomato

### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions ☺
- Water stress conditions ■
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas) ☺ ☺
- Overall ☺

■	No calibration
☺	Minimum degree of calibration
☺ ☺	Medium degree of calibration
☺ ☺ ☺	Good degree of calibration
☺ ☺ ☺ ☺	Optimum degree of calibration

**Note** – The present AquaCrop calibration applies to Processing tomato only.

## I.9 Tomato

### 1. Crop Phenology

Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	7.0
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	28.0
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% emergence (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	1.0 (direct seeding) 5.0 to 20.0 (transplant)
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	15,000 – 80,000
	Time from sowing to emergence / transplant to recovery (growing degree day)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	40 - 80
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.0075
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Fairly to almost entirely covered
	Time from sowing / transplant to start senescence (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Recovery + 1300 - 1600
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.004
	Time from sowing / transplant to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Recovery + 1500 - 2000
<b>1.3 Flowering</b>			
	Time from sowing / transplant to flowering (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Recovery + 250 - 400
	Length of the flowering stage (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	600 - 900
	Crop determinacy linked with flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	No
<b>1.4 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Up to 2.00
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.5

## 1.9 Tomato continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>cTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.10
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.15
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	60
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	18.0
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	100
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>o</sub>	Reference harvest index (%)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	55 - 65
	Possible increase (%) of HI due to water stress before flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	None (Estimated)
	Excess of potential fruits (%)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	Large
	Coefficient describing positive impact of restricted vegetative growth during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	None (Estimated)
	Coefficient describing negative impact of stomatal closure during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Strong (Estimated)
	Allowable maximum increase (%) of specified HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	15 (Estimated)

(1) Conservative generally applicable

(2) Conservative for a given specie but can or may be cultivar specific

(3) Dependent on environment and/or management

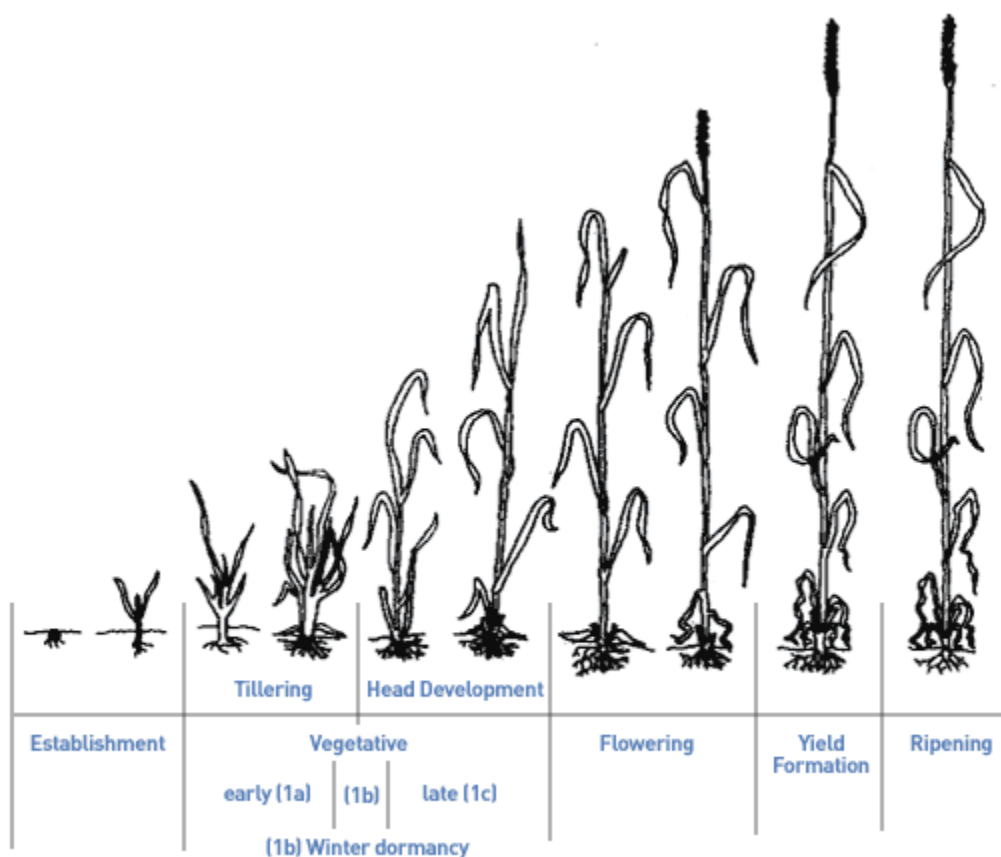
(4) Cultivar specific

**Note** - Harvest Index refers to the ratio between the dry yield (including red, green, and rotten production) and dry above ground biomass. To convert dry into fresh yield, 93 to 95% water content should be considered. Red production compared to the total one varies with management.

## I.9 Tomato continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.15 (Estimated)
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.55 (Estimated)
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0 (Estimated)
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.50 (Estimated)
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0 (Estimated)
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.70 (Estimated)
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0 (Estimated)
p <sub>pol</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for failure of pollination - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.92
	Vol% at anaerobic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	5.0
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum air temperature below which pollination starts to fail (cold stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10.0 (Estimated)
	Maximum air temperature above which pollination starts to fail (heat stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	40.0 (Estimated)
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Not considered
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
ECe <sub>n</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.7
ECe <sub>x</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	12.8

## I.10 Wheat



### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions ☺ ☺
- Water stress conditions ☺
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas) ☺ ☺
- Overall ☺ ☺

- No calibration
- ☺ Minimum degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ Medium degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ Good degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ ☺ Optimum degree of calibration

**Note** - The present AquaCrop calibration applies to Wheat grown as spring wheat in northern latitudes or grown as winter wheat in temperate latitudes in the absence of a cold period below 5 GDD.



## I.10 Wheat

<b>1. Crop Phenology</b>			
Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.0
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	26.0
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% emergence (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	1.50
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	2,000,000 – 7,000,000
	Time from sowing to emergence (growing degree day)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	100 - 250
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.005 - 0.007
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	80 – 99 %
	Time from sowing to start senescence (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 1000 - 2000
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.004
	Time from sowing to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 1500 - 2900
<b>1.3 Flowering</b>			
	Time from sowing to flowering (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	Time to emergence + 1000 - 1300
	Length of the flowering stage (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	150 - 280
	Crop determinacy linked with flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes
<b>1.4 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Up to 2.40
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.5

## 1.10 Wheat continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>cTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.10
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.15
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	50
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	15.0
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	100
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>o</sub>	Reference harvest index (%)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	45 - 50
	Possible increase (%) of HI due to water stress before flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Excess of potential fruits (%)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	Medium
	Coefficient describing positive impact of restricted vegetative growth during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Coefficient describing negative impact of stomatal closure during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Moderate
	Allowable maximum increase (%) of specified HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	15

(1) Conservative generally applicable

(2) Conservative for a given specie but can or may be cultivar specific

(3) Dependent on environment and/or management

(4) Cultivar specific

**Note** - Wheat yield is considered having water content not far from that of commercial grain (10-15 %).

## I.10 Wheat continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.20
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.65
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	5.0
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.65
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.5
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.70
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2.5
p <sub>pol</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for failure of pollination - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.85 (Estimate)
	Vol% at anaerobic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	Moderately tolerant to water logging
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum air temperature below which pollination starts to fail (cold stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	5.0 (Estimate)
	Maximum air temperature above which pollination starts to fail (heat stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	35.0 (Estimate)
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	13.0 - 15.0 (Estimated)
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
ECe <sub>n</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	6.0
ECe <sub>x</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	20.1

## I.11 Barley

### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions ☺ ☺
- Water stress conditions ☺
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas) ☺
- Overall ☺

- No calibration
- ☺ Minimum degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ Medium degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ Good degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ ☺ Optimum degree of calibration

## I.11 Barley

<b>1. Crop Phenology</b>			
Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	15
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% emergence (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	1.50
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	1,500,000 – 3,000,000
	Time from sowing to emergence (growing degree day)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	90 – 200
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.008
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	50 – 99
	Time from sowing to start senescence (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	900 – 2,000
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.006
	Time from sowing to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	1296
<b>1.3 Flowering</b>			
	Time from sowing to flowering (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	700 – 1,300
	Length of the flowering stage (growing degree day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	150 – 250
	Crop determinacy linked with flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes
<b>1.4 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	up to 2.50 m
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	15

## I.11 Barley continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>cTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.10
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.15
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	50
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	15.0
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	100
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>0</sub>	Reference harvest index (%)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	30 – 50
	Possible increase (%) of HI due to water stress before flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Excess of potential fruits (%)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	Medium
	Coefficient describing positive impact of restricted vegetative growth during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Coefficient describing negative impact of stomatal closure during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Moderate
	Allowable maximum increase (%) of specified HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	15

(1) Conservative generally applicable

(2) Conservative for a given specie but can or may be cultivar specific

(3) Dependent on environment and/or management

(4) Cultivar specific

## I.11 Barley continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.20
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.65
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.60
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.55
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>pol</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for failure of pollination - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.85
	Vol% at anaerobiotic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	15
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum air temperature below which pollination starts to fail (cold stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	5
	Maximum air temperature above which pollination starts to fail (heat stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	35
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	14
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
ECe <sub>n</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	6.0
ECe <sub>x</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	20.1

## I.12 Sugar Cane

### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions
- Water stress conditions
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas)
- Overall

■	No calibration
☺	Minimum degree of calibration
☺ ☺	Medium degree of calibration
☺ ☺ ☺	Good degree of calibration
☺ ☺ ☺ ☺	Optimum degree of calibration



## I.12 Sugar cane

<b>1. Crop Phenology</b>			
Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	9
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	32
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% emergence (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	6.50
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	140,000
	Time from transplanting to emergence (day)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	7
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.12548
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	95
	Time from transplanting to start senescence (day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	330
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.07615
	Time from transplanting to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	365
<b>1.3 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	1.80
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.3

## I.12 Sugar Cane continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>cTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.10
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.15
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	60
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	30
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	100
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>0</sub>	Reference harvest index (%) - sucrose	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	35

- (1) Conservative generally applicable
- (2) Conservative for a given specie but can or may be cultivar specific
- (3) Dependent on environment and/or management
- (4) Cultivar specific

## I.12 Sugar Cane continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.25
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.55
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.50
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.60
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
	Vol% at anaerobic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	5
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	12.0
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
ECe <sub>n</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.7
ECe <sub>x</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	18.6

## I.13 Sorghum

### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions
- Water stress conditions
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas)
- Overall

■	No calibration
☺	Minimum degree of calibration
☺ ☺	Medium degree of calibration
☺ ☺ ☺	Good degree of calibration
☺ ☺ ☺ ☺	Optimum degree of calibration

## I.13 Sorghum

<b>1. Crop Phenology</b>			
Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	8
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	30
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% emergence (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	3
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	200,000
	Time from sowing to emergence (day)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	7 - 13
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.16
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	60 – 98
	Time from sowing to start senescence (day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	91
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per growing degree day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.01
	Time from sowing to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	102
<b>1.3 Flowering</b>			
	Time from sowing to flowering (day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	65
	Length of the flowering stage (day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	20
	Crop determinacy linked with flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	YES
<b>1.4 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	Up to 2.8 m
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.3

## I.13 Sorghum continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>cTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.07
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.3
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	50
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	33.7
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	100
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>0</sub>	Reference harvest index (%)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	45
	Possible increase (%) of HI due to water stress before flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Excess of potential fruits (%)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	Medium - Large
	Coefficient describing positive impact of restricted vegetative growth during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Very strong
	Coefficient describing negative impact of stomatal closure during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Moderate
	Allowable maximum increase (%) of specified HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	25

(1) Conservative generally applicable

(2) Conservative for a given specie but can or may be cultivar specific

(3) Dependent on environment and/or management

(4) Cultivar specific

## I.13 Sorghum continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.15
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.70
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.7
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	6.0
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.70
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>pol</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for failure of pollination - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.80
	Vol% at anaerobiotic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	5
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum air temperature below which pollination starts to fail (cold stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10
	Maximum air temperature above which pollination starts to fail (heat stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	40
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	12.0
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
ECe <sub>n</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	6.8
ECe <sub>x</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	13.1

## I.14 Tef

### Goodness of the calibration

- Non-limiting conditions ☺ ☺
- Water stress conditions ☺ ☺
- Geographical coverage (with respect to the world cropped areas) ☺
- Overall ☺

- No calibration
- ☺ Minimum degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ Medium degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ Good degree of calibration
- ☺ ☺ ☺ ☺ Optimum degree of calibration



## I.14 Tef

<b>1. Crop Phenology</b>			
Symbol	Description	Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>1.1 Threshold air temperatures</b>			
T <sub>base</sub>	Base temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	10
T <sub>upper</sub>	Upper temperature (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	30
<b>1.2 Development of green canopy cover</b>			
cc <sub>0</sub>	Soil surface covered by an individual seedling at 90% emergence (cm <sup>2</sup> /plant)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	0.25
	Number of plants per hectare	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	10,000,000
	Time from sowing to emergence (day)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	14
CGC	Canopy growth coefficient (fraction per day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.146
CC <sub>x</sub>	Maximum canopy cover (%)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	80 - 90
	Time from sowing to start senescence (day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	75
CDC	Canopy decline coefficient (fraction per day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.116
	Time from sowing to maturity, i.e. length of crop cycle (day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	99
<b>1.3 Flowering</b>			
	Time from sowing to flowering (day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	55
	Length of the flowering stage (day)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	11
	Crop determinacy linked with flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	YES
<b>1.4 Development of root zone</b>			
Z <sub>n</sub>	Minimum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.30
Z <sub>x</sub>	Maximum effective rooting depth (m)	Management <sup>(3)</sup>	0.60
	Shape factor describing root zone expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.5

## I.14 Tef continued

<b>2. Crop transpiration</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
K <sub>cTr,x</sub>	Crop coefficient when canopy is complete but prior to senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	1.10
	Decline of crop coefficient (%/day) as a result of ageing, nitrogen deficiency, etc.	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.30
	Effect of canopy cover on reducing soil evaporation in late season stage	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	60
<b>3. Biomass production and yield formation</b>			
<b>3.1 Crop water productivity</b>			
WP*	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> (gram/m <sup>2</sup> )	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	14.0
	Water productivity normalized for ETo and CO <sub>2</sub> during yield formation (as percent WP* before yield formation)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	100
<b>3.2 Harvest Index</b>			
HI <sub>0</sub>	Reference harvest index (%)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup>	27
	Possible increase (%) of HI due to water stress before flowering	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	None
	Excess of potential fruits (%)	Conservative <sup>(2)</sup>	Small
	Coefficient describing positive impact of restricted vegetative growth during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Very strong
	Coefficient describing negative impact of stomatal closure during yield formation on HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	Small
	Allowable maximum increase (%) of specified HI	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	40

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(4) Cultivar specific

## I.14 Tef continued

<b>4. Stresses</b>			
Symbol		Type <sup>(1), (2), (3), (4)</sup>	Values / ranges
<b>4.1 Soil water stresses</b>			
p <sub>exp,lower</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.32
p <sub>exp,upper</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy expansion - Lower threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.66
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy expansion	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sto</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for stomatal control - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.60
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for stomatal control	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>sen</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for canopy senescence - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.58
	Shape factor for Water stress coefficient for canopy senescence	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	3.0
p <sub>pol</sub>	Soil water depletion threshold for failure of pollination - Upper threshold	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	0.92
	Vol% at anaerobiotic point (with reference to saturation)	Cultivar <sup>(4)</sup> Environment <sup>(3)</sup>	6
<b>4.2 Air temperature stress</b>			
	Minimum air temperature below which pollination starts to fail (cold stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	8
	Maximum air temperature above which pollination starts to fail (heat stress) (°C)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	40
	Minimum growing degrees required for full biomass production (°C - day)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	11.1
<b>4.3 Salinity stress</b>			
ECe <sub>n</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: lower threshold (at which soil salinity stress starts to occur)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	2 (estimated)
ECe <sub>x</sub>	Electrical conductivity of the saturated soil-paste extract: upper threshold (at which soil salinity stress has reached its maximum effect)	Conservative <sup>(1)</sup>	12 (estimated)

## **Annex II.**

### **Indicative values for lengths of crop development stages**

#### **Reference**

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**Table II.1** Indicative values for lengths of crop development stages for various planting periods and climatic regions

Crop	Init. (L <sub>ini</sub> )	Dev. (L <sub>dev</sub> )	Mid (L <sub>mid</sub> )	Late (L <sub>late</sub> )	Total	Plant Date	Region
<b>a. Small Vegetables</b>							
Broccoli	35	45	40	15	135	Sept	Calif. Desert, USA
Cabbage	40	60	50	15	165	Sept	Calif. Desert, USA
Carrots	20	30	50/30	20	100	Oct/Jan	Arid climate
	30	40	60	20	150	Feb/Mar	Mediterranean
	30	50	90	30	200	Oct	Calif. Desert, USA
Cauliflower	35	50	40	15	140	Sept	Calif. Desert, USA
Celery	25	40	95	20	180	Oct	(Semi)Arid
	25	40	45	15	125	April	Mediterranean
	30	55	105	20	210	Jan	(Semi)Arid
Crucifers <sup>1</sup>	20	30	20	10	80	April	Mediterranean
	25	35	25	10	95	February	Mediterranean
	30	35	90	40	195	Oct/Nov	Mediterranean
Lettuce	20	30	15	10	75	April	Mediterranean
	30	40	25	10	105	Nov/Jan	Mediterranean
	25	35	30	10	100	Oct/Nov	Arid Region
	35	50	45	10	140	Feb	Mediterranean
Onion (dry)	15	25	70	40	150	April	Mediterranean
	20	35	110	45	210	Oct; Jan.	Arid Region; Calif.
Onion (green)	25	30	10	5	70	April/May	Mediterranean
	20	45	20	10	95	October	Arid Region
	30	55	55	40	180	March	Calif., USA
Onion (seed)	20	45	165	45	275	Sept	Calif. Desert, USA
Spinach	20	20	15/25	5	60/70	Apr; Sep/Oct	Mediterranean
	20	30	40	10	100	November	Arid Region
Radish	5	10	15	5	35	Mar/Apr	Medit.; Europe
	10	10	15	5	40	Winter	Arid Region
<b>b. Vegetables – Solanum Family (<i>Solanaceae</i>)</b>							
Egg plant	30	40	40	20	130\1	October	Arid Region
	30	45	40	25	40	May/June	Mediterranean
Sweet peppers (bell)	25/30	35	40	20	125	April/June	Europe and Medit.
	30	40	110	30	210	October	Arid Region
Tomato	30	40	40	25	135	January	Arid Region
	35	40	50	30	155	Apr/May	Calif., USA
	25	40	60	30	155	Jan	Calif. Desert, USA
	35	45	70	30	180	Oct/Nov	Arid Region
	30	40	45	30	145	April/May	Mediterranean
<b>c. Vegetables - Cucumber Family (<i>Cucurbitaceae</i>)</b>							
Cantaloupe	30	45	35	10	120	Jan	Calif., USA
	10	60	25	25	120	Aug	Calif., USA
Cucumber	20	30	40	15	105	June/Aug	Arid Region
	25	35	50	20	130	Nov; Feb	Arid Region
Pumpkin, Winter squash	20	30	30	20	100	Mar, Aug	Mediterranean
	25	35	35	25	120	June	Europe
Squash, Zucchini	25	35	25	15	100	Apr; Dec.	Medit.; Arid Reg.
	20	30	25	15	90	May/June	Medit.; Europe

\* Lengths of crop development stages provided in this table are indicative of general conditions, but may vary substantially from region to region, with climate and cropping conditions, and with crop variety. The user is strongly encouraged to obtain appropriate local information.

<sup>1</sup> Crucifers include cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli, and Brussel sprouts. The wide range in lengths of seasons is due to varietal and species differences.

Table II.1 continued

Crop	Init. (L <sub>ini</sub> )	Dev. (L <sub>dev</sub> )	Mid (L <sub>mid</sub> )	Late (L <sub>late</sub> )	Total	Plant Date	Region
Sweet melons	25	35	40	20	120	May	Mediterranean
	30	30	50	30	140	March	Calif., USA
	15	40	65	15	135	Aug	Calif. Desert, USA
	30	45	65	20	160	Dec/Jan	Arid Region
Water melons	20	30	30	30	110	April	Italy
	10	20	20	30	80	Mat/Aug	Near East (desert)
<b>d. Roots and Tubers</b>							
Beets, table	15	25	20	10	70	Apr/May	Mediterranean
	25	30	25	10	90	Feb/Mar	Mediterranean & Arid
Cassava: year 1	20	40	90	60	210	Rainy season	Tropical regions
year 2	150	40	110	60	360		
Potato	25	30	30/45	30	115/130	Jan/Nov	(Semi)Arid Climate
	25	30	45	30	130	May	Continental Climate
	30	35	50	30	145	April	Europe
	45	30	70	20	165	Apr/May	Idaho, USA
	30	35	50	25	140	Dec	Calif. Desert, USA
Sweet potato	20	30	60	40	150	April	Mediterranean
	15	30	50	30	125	Rainy seas.	Tropical regions
Sugarbeet	30	45	90	15	180	March	Calif., USA
	25	30	90	10	155	June	Calif., USA
	25	65	100	65	255	Sept	Calif. Desert, USA
	50	40	50	40	180	April	Idaho, USA
	25	35	50	50	160	May	Mediterranean
	45	75	80	30	230	November	Mediterranean
	35	60	70	40	205	November	Arid Regions
<b>e. Legumes (<i>Leguminosae</i>)</b>							
Beans (green)	20	30	30	10	90	Feb/Mar	Calif., Mediterranean
	15	25	25	10	75	Aug/Sep	Calif., Egypt, Lebanon
Beans (dry)	20	30	40	20	110	May/June	Continental Climates
	15	25	35	20	95	June	Pakistan, Calif.
	25	25	30	20	100	June	Idaho, USA
Faba bean, broad bean	15	25	35	15	90	May	Europe
	20	30	35	15	100	Mar/Apr	Mediterranean
	- dry	90	45	40	235	Nov	Europe
	- green	90	45	40	175	Nov	Europe
Green gram, cowpeas	20	30	30	20	110	March	Mediterranean
Groundnut	25	35	45	25	130	Dry season	West Africa
	35	35	35	35	140	May	High Latitudes
	35	45	35	25	140	May/June	Mediterranean
Lentil	20	30	60	40	150	April	Europe
	25	35	70	40	170	Oct/Nov	Arid Region
Peas	15	25	35	15	90	May	Europe
	20	30	35	15	100	Mar/Apr	Mediterranean
	35	25	30	20	110	April	Idaho, USA
Soybeans	15	15	40	15	85	Dec	Tropics
	20	30/35	60	25	140	May	Central USA
	20	25	75	30	150	June	Japan

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Table II.1 continued.

Crop	Init. (L <sub>ini</sub> )	Dev. (L <sub>dev</sub> )	Mid (L <sub>mid</sub> )	Late (L <sub>late</sub> )	Total	Plant Date	Region
<b>f. Perennial Vegetables (with winter dormancy and initially bare or mulched soil)</b>							
Artichoke	40 20	40 25	250 250	30 30	360 325	Apr (1 <sup>st</sup> yr) May (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)	California (cut in May)
Asparagus	50 90	30 30	100 200	50 45	230 365	Feb Feb	Warm Winter Mediterranean
<b>g. Fibre Crops</b>							
Cotton	30 45 30 30	50 90 50 50	60 45 60 55	55 45 55 45	195 225 195 180	Mar-May Mar Sept April	Egypt; Pakistan; Calif. Calif. Desert, USA Yemen Texas
Flax	25 30	35 40	50 100	40 50	150 220	April October	Europe Arizona
<b>h. Oil Crops</b>							
Castor beans	25 20	40 40	65 50	50 25	180 135	March Nov.	(Semi)Arid Climates Indonesia
Safflower	20 25 35	35 35 55	45 55 60	25 30 40	125 145 190	April Mar Oct/Nov	California, USA High Latitudes Arid Region
Sesame	20	30	40	20	100	June	China
Sunflower	25	35	45	25	130	April/May	Medit.; California
<b>i. Cereals</b>							
Barley/Oats/ Wheat	15 20 15 40 40 20 20 <sup>2</sup> 30 160	25 25 30 30 60 50 60 <sup>2</sup> 140 75	50 60 65 40 60 60 70 40 75	30 30 40 20 40 30 30 30 25	120 135 150 130 200 160 180 240 335	November March/Apr July Apr Nov Dec December November October	Central India 35-45 °L East Africa  Calif. Desert, USA Calif., USA Mediterranean Idaho, USA
Grains (small)	20 25	30 35	60 65	40 40	150 165	April Oct/Nov	Mediterranean Pakistan; Arid Reg.
Maize (grain)	30 25 20 20 30 30	50 40 35 35 40 40	60 45 40 40 50 50	40 30 30 30 30 50	180 140 125 125 150 170	April Dec/Jan June October April April	East Africa (alt.) Arid Climate Nigeria (humid) India (dry, cool) Spain (spr, sum.); Calif. Idaho, USA
Maize (sweet)	20 20 20 30 20	20 25 30 30 40	30 25 50/30 30 70	10 10 10 10 <sup>3</sup> 10	80 80 90 110 140	March May/June Oct/Dec April Jan	Philippines Mediterranean Arid Climate Idaho, USA Calif. Desert, USA
Millet	15 20	25 30	40 55	25 35	105 140	June April	Pakistan Central USA

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- <sup>2</sup> These periods for winter wheat will lengthen in frozen climates according to days having zero growth potential and wheat dormancy. Under general conditions and in the absence of local data, fall planting of winter wheat can be presumed to occur in northern temperate climates when the 10-day running average of mean daily air temperature decreases to 17° C or December 1, whichever comes first. Planting of spring wheat can be presumed to occur when the 10-day running average of mean daily air temperature increases to 5° C. Spring planting of maize-grain can be presumed to occur when the 10-day running average of mean daily air temperature increases to 13° C.

- <sup>3</sup> The late season for sweet maize will be about 35 days if the grain is allowed to mature and dry.

Table II.1 continued

Crop	Init. (L <sub>ini</sub> )	Dev. (L <sub>dev</sub> )	Mid (L <sub>mid</sub> )	Late (L <sub>late</sub> )	Total	Plant Date	Region
Sorghum	20 20	35 35	40 45	30 30	130 140	May/June Mar/April	USA, Pakis., Med. Arid Region
Rice	30 30	30 30	60 80	30 40	150 180	Dec; May May	Tropics; Mediterranean Tropics
<b>j. Forages</b>							
Alfalfa, total season <sup>4</sup>	10	30	var.	var.	var.		last -4°C in spring until first -4°C in fall
Alfalfa <sup>4</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> cutting cycle	10 10	20 30	20 25	10 10	60 75	Jan Apr (last -4° C)	Calif., USA. Idaho, USA.
Alfalfa <sup>4</sup> , other cutting cycles	5 5	10 20	10 10	5 10	30 45	Mar Jun	Calif., USA. Idaho, USA.
Bermuda for seed	10	25	35	35	105	March	Calif. Desert, USA
Bermuda for hay (several cuttings)	10	15	75	35	135	---	Calif. Desert, USA
Grass Pasture <sup>4</sup>	10	20	--	--	--		7 days before last -4°C in spring until 7 days after first -4°C in fall
Sudan, 1 <sup>st</sup> cutting cycle	25	25	15	10	75	Apr	Calif. Desert, USA
Sudan, other cutting cycles	3	15	12	7	37	June	Calif. Desert, USA
<b>k. Sugar Cane</b>							
Sugarcane, virgin	35 50 75	60 70 105	190 220 330	120 140 210	405 480 720		Low Latitudes Tropics Hawaii, USA
Sugarcane, ratoon	25 30 35	70 50 105	135 180 210	50 60 70	280 320 420		Low Latitudes Tropics Hawaii, USA
<b>l. Tropical Fruits and Trees</b>							
Banana, 1 <sup>st</sup> yr	120	90	120	60	390	Mar	Mediterranean
Banana, 2 <sup>nd</sup> yr	120	60	180	5	365	Feb	Mediterranean
Pineapple	60	120	600	10	790		Hawaii, USA
<b>m. Grapes and Berries</b>							
Grapes	20 20 20 30	40 50 50 60	120 75 90 40	60 60 20 80	240 205 180 210	April Mar May April	Low Latitudes Calif., USA High Latitudes Mid Latitudes (wine)
Hops	25	40	80	10	155	April	Idaho, USA
<b>n. Fruit Trees</b>							
Citrus	60	90	120	95	365	Jan	Mediterranean
Deciduous Orchard	20 20 30	70 70 50	90 120 130	30 60 30	210 270 240	March March March	High Latitudes Low Latitudes Calif., USA

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- <sup>4</sup> In climates having killing frosts, growing seasons can be estimated for alfalfa and grass as:  
alfalfa: last -4°C in spring until first -4°C in fall (Everson, D.O., M. Faubion and D.E. Amos 1978. "Freezing temperatures and growing seasons in Idaho." Univ. Idaho Agric. Exp. station bulletin 494. 18 p.)  
grass: 7 days before last -4°C in spring and 7 days after last -4°C in fall (Kruse E.G. and Haise, H.R. 1974. "Water use by native grasses in high altitude Colorado meadows." USDA Agric. Res. Service, Western Region report ARS-W-6-1974. 60 pages)



**Table II.1 continued**

<b>Crop</b>	<b>Init. (L<sub>ini</sub>)</b>	<b>Dev. (L<sub>dev</sub>)</b>	<b>Mid (L<sub>mid</sub>)</b>	<b>Late (L<sub>late</sub>)</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Plant Date</b>	<b>Region</b>
Olives	30	90	60	90	270 <sup>5</sup>	March	Mediterranean
Pistachios	20	60	30	40	150	Feb	Mediterranean
Walnuts	20	10	130	30	190	April	Utah, USA
<b>o. Wetlands - Temperate Climate</b>							
Wetlands (Cattails, Bulrush)	10 180	30 60	80 90	20 35	140 365	May November	Utah, USA; killing frost Florida, USA
Wetlands (short veg.)	180	60	90	35	365	November	frost-free climate

<sup>5</sup> Olive trees gain new leaves in March. See footnote 24 of Table 12 for additional information, where the K<sub>C</sub> continues outside of the “growing period”.

**Primary source: FAO Irrigation and Drainage Paper 24 (Doorenbos and Pruitt, 1977), Table 22.**

# **Annex III.**

## **Indicative values for soil salinity tolerance for some agriculture crops**

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**Table III-1. Salt tolerance<sup>1</sup> of common agriculture crops with indication of the lower (ECe<sub>n</sub>) and upper (ECe<sub>x</sub>) thresholds<sup>2</sup> for salinity stress, and the slope of reduction in crop yield with increasing salinity beyond ECe<sub>n</sub>**

<b>Agriculture crop</b>	<b>ECe<sub>n</sub></b>	<b>ECe<sub>x</sub></b>	<b>Yield decline</b>
	dS/m	dS/m	%/(dS/m)
<b>Extremely sensitive crops</b>			
Apricot	1.6	5.8	24.0
Blackberry	1.5	6.0	22.0
Boysenberry	1.5	6.0	22.0
Peaches	1.7	6.5	21.0
Beans	1.0	6.3	19.0
Almonds	1.5	6.8	19.0
<b>Sensitive crops</b>			
Plum, prune	1.5	7.1	18.0
Strawberries	1.3	7.3	17.0
Onions	1.2	7.5	16.0
Citrus (Grapefruit)	1.8	8.1	16.0
Citrus (Orange)	1.7	8.0	16.0
Carrots	1.0	8.1	14.0
Peas	1.5	8.6	14.0
Rice	3.0	11.3	12.0
<b>Moderately sensitive crops</b>			
Groundnut (Peanut)	3.2	6.6	29.0
Trefoil, big	2.3	7.6	19.0
Squash (scallop)	3.2	9.5	16.0
Peppers	1.6	9.3	13.0
Pumpkin, winter squash	1.2	8.9	13.0
Lettuce	1.5	9.8	12.0
Potato	1.7	10.0	12.0
Flax	1.7	10.0	12.0
Maize	1.7	10.0	12.0
Maize, sweet corn	1.7	10.0	12.0

<sup>1</sup> The ranking is based on the ECe of the upper and lower threshold (Gullentops, C. 2010 – Introducing soil salinity in AquaCrop. Master research, Interuniversity programme in water Resources Engineering (IUPWARE), Belgium).

<sup>2</sup> ECe means average root zone salinity as measured by electrical conductivity of the saturation extract of the soil. ECe<sub>n</sub> is the lower thresholds at which crop growth starts to be affected and ECe<sub>x</sub> is the upper threshold at which crop growth ceases.

Clover (alsike, ladino, red)	1.5	9.8	12.0
Cabbage	1.4	10.1	11.9
Spinach	2.6	12.2	11.9
Cowpea (forage)	2.5	11.6	11.0
Vetch, common	3.0	12.1	11.0
Radishes	1.6	12.0	10.3
Cucumber	1.8	12.8	10.0
Sweet potato	2.0	12.0	10.0
Brussels sprouts	1.8	12.1	9.7
Celery	2.2	14.1	9.6
Broadbean (fababean)	1.6	12.0	9.6
Foxtail	1.5	11.9	9.6
Grapes	1.5	12.0	9.6
Broccoli	2.8	13.7	9.2
Tomato	1.7	12.8	9.0
Turnip	0.9	12.0	9.0
Lovegrass	2.0	13.9	8.4
Maize (forage)	1.8	15.3	7.4
Alfalfa	2.0	15.7	7.3
Sesbania	2.3	16.6	7.0
Sphaerophysa	2.2	16.5	7.0
Cauliflower	1.8	17.9	6.2
Orchardgrass	1.5	17.6	6.2
Sugar cane	1.7	18.6	5.9
Clover, Berseem	1.5	19.0	5.7
<b>Moderately tolerant crops</b>			
Soybeans	5.0	10.0	20.0
Sorghum	6.8	13.1	16.0
Cowpea	4.9	13.2	12.0
Squash, Zucchini	4.7	14.7	10.0
Trefoil, narrowleaf birdsfoot	5.0	15.0	10.0
Beets, red	4.0	15.1	9.0
Hardinggrass	4.6	17.8	7.6
Rye-grass (perennial)	5.6	18.8	7.6
Wheat (Triticum aestivum)	6.0	20.1	7.1
Barley (forage)	6.0	20.1	7.1
Wildrye, beardless	2.7	19.4	6.0
Fescue	3.9	21.4	5.8

Sudangrass	2.8	26.1	4.3
Wheatgrass, standard crested	3.5	28.5	4.0
<b>Tolerant crops</b>			
Wheatgrass, fairway crested	7.5	22.0	6.9
Bermuda	6.9	22.5	6.4
Sugar beet	7.0	24.0	5.9
Cotton	7.7	26.9	5.2
Barley	8.0	28.0	5.0
<b>Extremely tolerant crops</b>			
Wheat, durum ( <i>Triticum turgidum</i> )	5.8	28.0	4.7
Wheatgrass, tall	7.5	31.3	4.2
Date Palms	4.0	31.8	3.6
Wheat, semidwarf ( <i>T. aestivum</i> )	8.6	41.9	3.0
Asparagus	4.1	54.1	2.0