

# Standard Operating Procedures on the reconfirmation, suspension, recovery or withdrawal of officially recognised animal health status and for the withdrawal of an endorsed official control programmes

**Regional Training Workshop on  
WOAH Procedures for Official Status Recognition,  
Endorsement of Official Control Programmes and their  
Maintenance with regard to  
Contagious Bovine Pleuropneumonia (CBPP)**

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# Outline

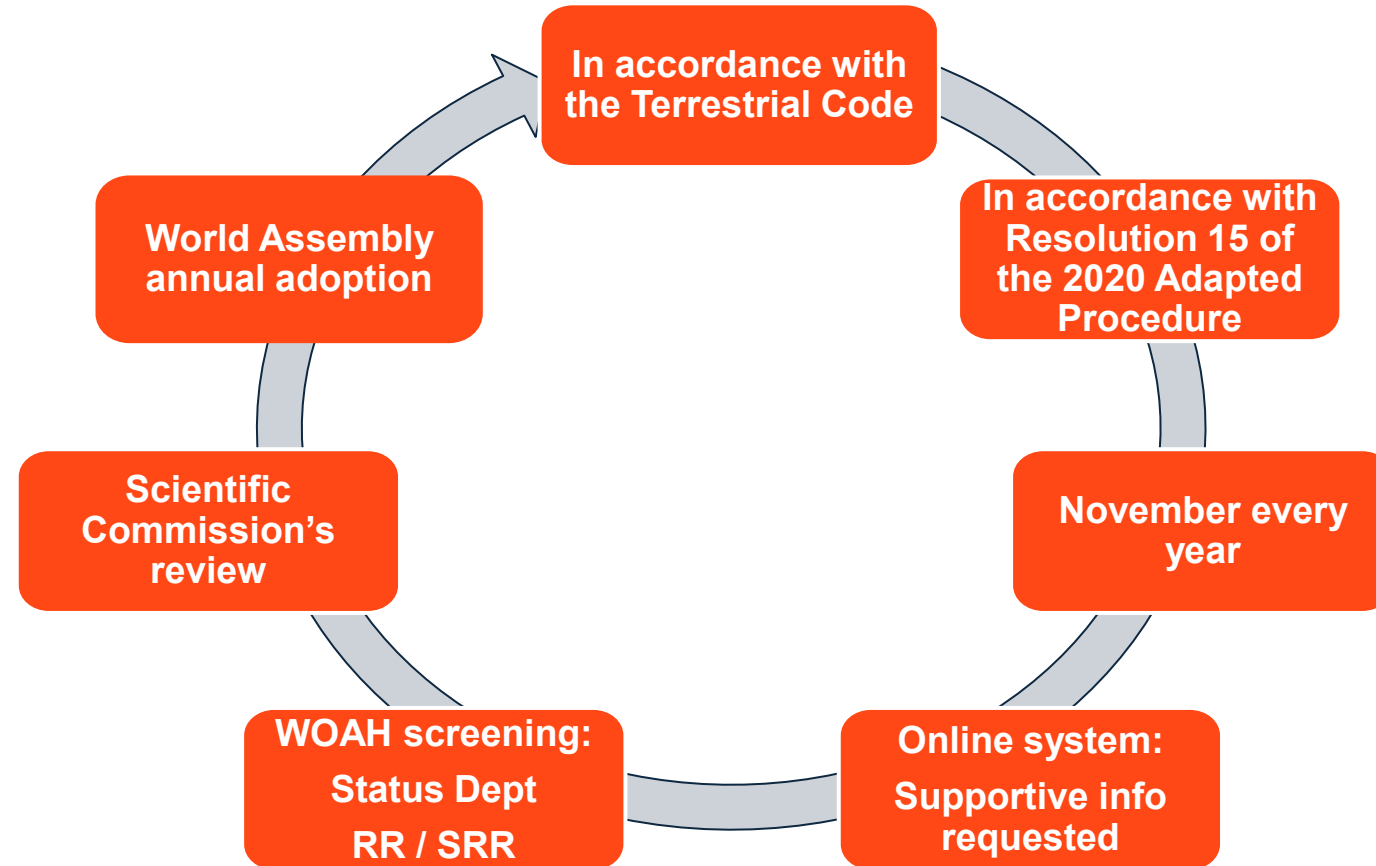
- Maintenance of status/endorsement: annual reconfirmations
- Suspension and recovery of official status including containment zone
- Withdrawal of official status/endorsed control programme



# Maintenance/Annual Reconfirmation



English



French

# Suspension of a CBPP-free status: sources

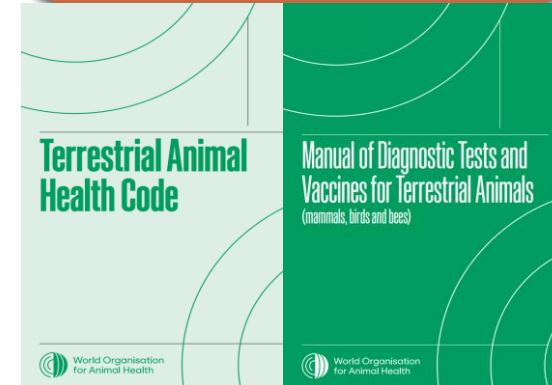
OCCURRENCE OF AN  
OUTBREAK



NON-SUBMISSION OF  
AN ANNUAL  
RECONFIRMATION



NON-COMPLIANCE  
WITH THE  
*TERRESTRIAL CODE*



**SUSPENSION**



# Suspension of a free status: communication

- Conveyed by the Director General to the WOAHA Delegate concerned
- Published simultaneously on the WOAHA website
- **CBPP outbreak/s:** suspension effect from the reported start date of the event as notified through WAHIS
- **Other non-compliances with the *Terrestrial Code* identified through various processes (e.g. annual reconfirmations or field missions):** suspension takes effect from the date of the Commission's decision or from the date on which the non-compliance was confirmed by the Member



# Recovery of free status after the occurrence of an outbreak

- Application following the questionnaire template “Section 8 Recovery of free status” to submit updated information;
- Compliant with requirements of the *Terrestrial Code (Articles 11.5.6., 11.5.7.)*;
- Preliminary screening by the WOAHA Status department;
- Assessment by the Scientific Commission (Relevant *ad hoc* Group);
- Final decision taken by the Scientific Commission;
- Positive outcome published on WOAHA website;
- Pending – Expert field mission

# Requirements for recovery

- **Horizontal Chapters (Vol. I)**
  - Zoning and compartmentalisation (4.4.)
- **Chapter 11.5. Infection with *Mmm* (Vol. II)**
  - Establishment of a containment zone (11.5.6.)
  - Recovery of free status (11.5.7.)

# Recovery of free status after the occurrence of an outbreak

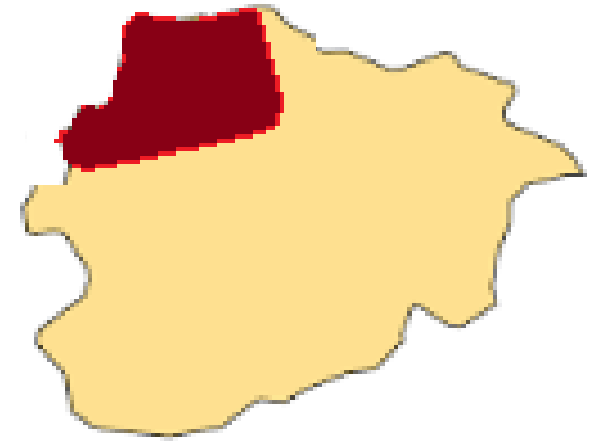
Policy type	Requirements	Waiting period
Slaughter without vaccination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disinfect last affected establishment</li> <li>• Surveillance (Articles 11.5.14 &amp; 11.5.15)</li> </ul>	<b>12 months</b> after disinfection
Slaughter with emergency vaccination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disinfect last affected establishment;</li> <li>• Slaughter all vaccinated animals;</li> <li>• Surveillance (Articles 11.5.14 &amp; 11.5.15)</li> </ul>	<b>12 months</b> after disinfection & slaughter
No slaughter policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Follow Article 11.5.3 procedures</li> </ul>	Waiting period not applicable

**Note:** *the status is only regained after a positive outcome of the assessment of the documented evidence submitted*



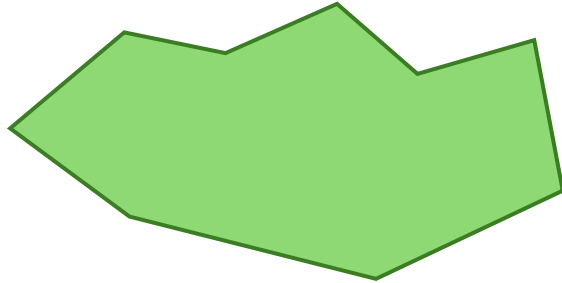
## Suspension of a free status: application for a containment zone

- **Containment zone:** Chapter 4.4. and Chapter 11.5.
  - Similar procedure as for application & evaluation process for a recovery
- **Article 11.5.6.** of the *Terrestrial Code*

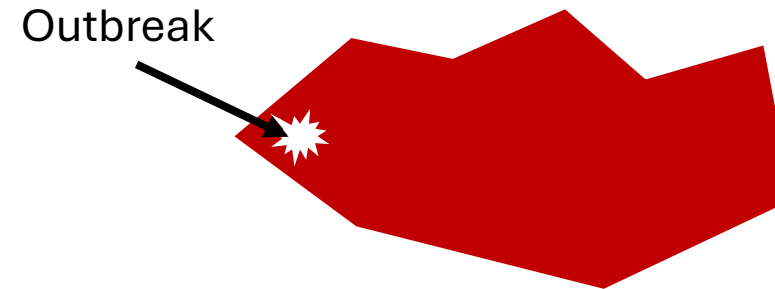


# Suspension of a free status: containment zone and recovery of free status

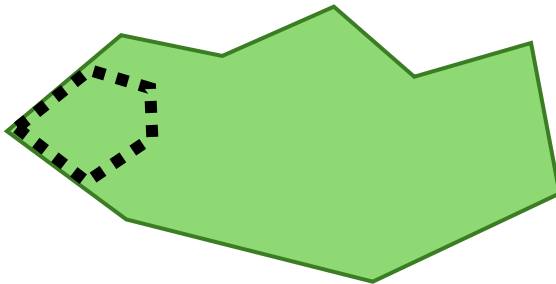
## 1. CBPP-free country/zone



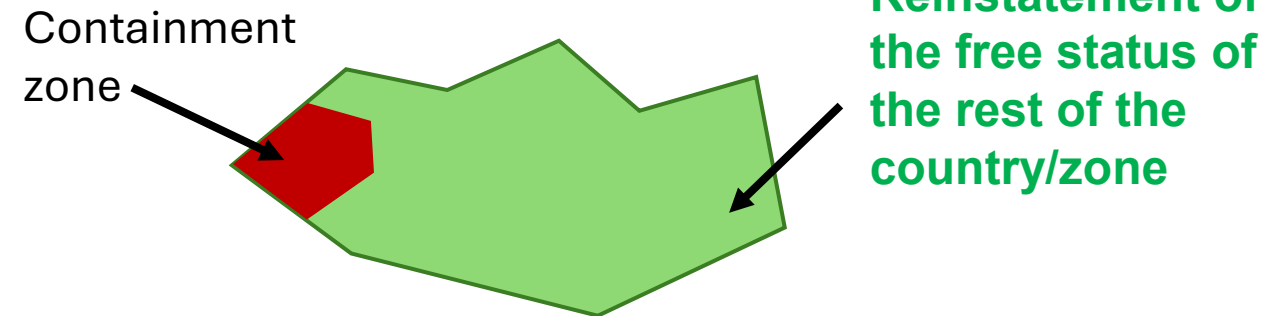
## 2. CBPP outbreak → suspension



## 4. Recovery of the containment zone, the entire country/zone becoming free



## 3. Establishment of containment zone and reinstatement of the free status of the country/zone



## Withdrawal of a CBPP-free status



- Status not been recovered, or
- No submission of an application for recovery



## Withdrawal of an endorsed control programme for CBPP

- non-compliance with the timelines or performance indicators of the programme;
- significant problems with the quality of the Veterinary Services as described in Section 3 of the *Terrestrial Code*;
- an increase in the incidence or distribution of the disease that cannot be addressed by the programme.



# Thank you for your attention!

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