Procedure for the application for the publication by the OIE of a self-declaration of disease freedom

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Introduction to OIE self-declaration

OIE provisions for self-declaration of disease freedom

Official Disease Status VS self-declaration

Application for publishing in OIE website - SOP
Self-declarations in Numbers

- **71** requesting OIE Members
- **208** OIE Member’s self-declarations published from 2000 to today
Self-declarations: To give visibility to OIE Members’ disease freedom

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF SELF-DECLARATION?

WHAT IS A SELF-DECLARATION OF DISEASE FREEDOM?

HOW TO MAKE A SELF-DECLARATION?

WHEN CAN YOU ASK THE OIE TO PUBLISH A SELF-DECLARATION?

DOES THE OIE ENDORSE MEMBERS SELF-DECLARATIONS?

WHY DOES THE OIE PUBLISH SELF-DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS?
OIE provisions for self-declaration of disease freedom

- Article 1.6.1. of the Terrestrial Code
- Article 1.4.6. of the Aquatic Code
- Disease relevant chapters and articles of the Codes
- In the absence of specific requirements for freedom from that particular disease, compliance with the relevant horizontal chapters of the Codes should be considered (e.g. Chapter 1.4.)
- PROCEDURE FOR THE APPLICATION FOR THE PUBLICATION BY THE OIE OF A SELF DECLARATION OF DISEASE FREEDOM
- Internal procedure for the publications of OIE Member self-declarations
OFFICIAL DISEASE STATUS RECOGNITION

➢ SCIENCE BASED AND ROBUST ASSESSMENT
➢ LIST OF OFFICIALLY FREE MEMBERS ADOPTED BY THE WORLD ASSEMBLY
➢ ANNUAL RECONFIRMATION PROCEDURE

SELF-DECLARATION PUBLICATION

➢ ANY OTHER DISEASE OF TERRESTRIAL AND AQUATIC ANIMALS

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OIE MEMBER CLAIMS FREEDOM

OIE PUBLISHES THE COUNTRY’S CLAIM

Glanders

Declaration sent to the OIE on June 13, 2019 by Dr. Juan Rey Bellón, OIE Delegate of Mexico, Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development, National Institute for Food Safety and Quality SENASICA, General Directorate of Animal Health.

I. Glanders situation

1.1 Proof that it is a notifiable disease to the competent national authorities:

- Responsibility for quality of admissions, and promoting health, and food safety and quality activities to reduce the inherent risks in livestock, for the benefit of Mexican farmers, consumers and the industry falls to the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (SADER), through the National Animal Health Emergency System in the Secretariat for Agriculture and Water Resources (Annex II).


Dedicated webpage: oie.int/self-declaration

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Introduction
Reference to the OIE Codes

List of recently published self-declarations

And the archives

Introduction
Reference to the OIE Codes
Screening and publication of a self-declaration

ACKNOWLEDGMENT RECEIPT

REVIEW OF A SELF-DECLARATION

SELF-DECLARATION COMPLETE

EDITED VERSION SENT FOR DELEGATE'S APPROVAL

INFORMATION IS MISSING

COMMUNICATION WITH THE COUNTRY

COMPILATION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

DDG'S REVIEW PRIOR TO PUBLICATION

PUBLICATION REJECTED

PUBLICATION OF SELF-DECLARATION

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The same procedure applies for recovery of disease freedom.
Loss of a self-declared disease freedom

**OCCURRENCE / RECURRENCE OF DISEASE**

**NOTIFICATION TO WAHIS**

**LIASON BETWEEN DSD AND WAHIAD**

- **OUTBREAK DOES NOT IMPACT SELF-DECLARATION**
  - NO FURTHER STEPS

- **OUTBREAK IMPACTS SELF-DECLARATION**
  - **COMMUNICATION WITH THE COUNTRY**
  - **OIE WEBSITE UPDATED – REFERENCE TO THE IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATION**
Internal assessment of self-declarations

01. Documented evidence on compliance with the Codes’ provisions

02. Consistency with WAHIS

03. Consultation with colleagues from other Departments
Internal assessment of self-declarations

Documented evidence on compliance with the Codes’ provisions

- **Terrestrial animal diseases**
  - The disease is notifiable to the Competent Authority at national level
  - History of absence or eradication of the disease
  - Surveillance and early warning system for all relevant species in the country, zone or compartment
  - Measures implemented to maintain freedom

- **Aquatic animal diseases**
  - Pathways to claim freedom from aquatic animal diseases
Internal assessment of self-declarations

Consistency with WAHIS

- Absence/presence of disease
- Date of last occurrence
Internal assessment of self-declarations

Consultation with colleagues from other Departments

- Expertise on:
  - Equine Diseases
  - Rabies
  - Aquatic animal diseases
  - others
Format of the self-declaration

- Size
- Language
- File compatibility
- Transmission format
Thank you for your attention

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