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GLOSSARY

For the purpose of the Aquatic Code:

OIE STANDARDS means a text that has been formally adopted by the OIE World Assembly of Delegates, published by the OIE, and that provides requirements, recommendations, specifications and characteristics intended to prevent the transboundary spread of diseases of aquatic animals that should be used consistently to ensure the improvement of animal health, veterinary public health and animal welfare worldwide.

Rationale: A glossary is an alphabetical list of terms in a particular domain of knowledge with the definitions for those terms. A glossary is not for describing the intended use of the term.

OIE GUIDELINES means an OIE publication that provides advice to improve animal health, veterinary public health and animal welfare worldwide that has been endorsed by an OIE Specialist Commission or the OIE Council, but has not been formally adopted by the OIE World Assembly of Delegates.

VECTOR means any living organism that transports an infectious agent to a susceptible individual or its food or immediate surroundings. The organism infectious agent may or may not pass through a development cycle within the vector.

Rationale: It is the infectious agent that may or may not pass through a development cycle, not the living organism acting as the vector.

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