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CHAPTER 11.2.

INFECTION WITH *BONAMIA OSTREAE*

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Article 11.2.3.

Commodities Importation or transit of aquatic animal products for any purpose regardless of the *B. ostreae* status of the exporting country, zone or compartment

1. ~~When authorising the importation or transit of the following commodities, the Competent Authorities should not require any *B. ostreae* related conditions, regardless of the *B. ostreae* status of the exporting country, zone or compartment when authorising the importation or transit of the following commodities from the species referred to in Article 11.2.2. intended for any purpose and complying with Article 5.3.1.:~~

a) ~~From the species referred to in Article 11.2.2. intended for any purpose:~~

i) ~~commodities treated in a manner that inactivates the disease agent e.g. canned¹ or~~

~~ii) pasteurised products²~~

~~ii) biological samples preserved for diagnostic applications in such a manner as to inactivate the disease agent.~~

b) ~~The following commodities destined for human consumption from the species referred to in~~

~~Article 11.2.2. which have been prepared and packaged for direct retail trade:~~

~~i) off the shell (chilled or frozen);³~~

~~ii) half shell (chilled).⁴~~

e) ~~All commodities from *Crasso streagigas*, *C. virginica*, *Ruditapes decussatus*, *R. philippinarum*, *Mytilus galloprovincialis* and *M. edulis*, including the live aquatic animal.~~

For the ~~commodities~~ referred to in point 1b), OIE Members may wish to consider introducing internal measures to address the ~~risks~~ associated with the ~~commodity~~ being used for any purpose other than for human consumption.

¹ Refer to page 39 of Annex XXV for the assessment of this product undertaken by the *ad hoc* Group.

² Refer to page 39 of Annex XXV for the assessment of this product undertaken by the *ad hoc* Group.

³ Refer to page 40 of Annex XXV for the assessment of this product undertaken by the *ad hoc* Group.

⁴ Refer to page 40 of Annex XXV for the assessment of this product undertaken by the *ad hoc* Group.

2. When authorising the importation or transit of *commodities* of a species referred to in Article 11.1.2., other than those referred to in point 1 of Article 11.2.3., ~~the~~ *Competent Authorities* should require the conditions prescribed in Articles 11.2.7. to 11.2.11. relevant to the *B. ostreae* status of the *exporting country, zone or compartment*.
3. When considering the importation ~~or transit of a commodity~~ from an *exporting country, zone or compartment* not declared free of infection with *B. ostreae* ~~of a commodity~~ from ~~bivalve~~ a species not covered in Article 11.2.2. ~~or in point 1e) of Article 11.2.3.~~ but which could reasonably be expected to pose a risk of transmission ~~be a potential mechanical vector~~ for *B. ostreae*, ~~the~~ *Competent Authorities* should conduct a *risk analysis* in accordance with the recommendations in the *Aquatic Code*. The *exporting country* should be informed of the outcome of this assessment.

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Article 11.2.9.

Importation of live aquatic animals and aquatic animal products for processing for human consumption from a country, zone or compartment not declared free from *B. ostreae*

When importing, for processing for human consumption, live *aquatic animals* and aquatic animal products of the species referred to in Article 11.2.2. from a country, *zone or compartment* not declared free from *B. ostreae*, the *Competent Authority* of the *importing country* should assess the *risk* and, if justified, require that:

1. the consignment ~~be~~ is delivered directly to and held in quarantine or containment facilities until for processing and/or consumption to one of the products referred to in point 1 of Article 11.2.3., or products described in point 1 of Article 11.2.11., or other products authorised by the Competent Authority; and
2. all effluent and waste material from the processing are treated in a manner that ensures inactivation of *B. ostreae* or is disposed in a manner that prevents contact of waste with susceptible species.

For these commodities Members may wish to consider introducing internal measures to address the risks associated with the commodity being used for any purpose other than for human consumption.

This Article does not apply to *commodities* referred to in point 1 of Article 10.1.3.

[...]

Article 11.2.11.

Importation of live aquatic animals and aquatic animal products for retail trade for human consumption from a country, zone or compartment not declared free from *B. ostreae*

1. Competent Authorities should not require any *B. ostreae* related conditions, regardless of the *B. ostreae* status of the exporting country, zone or compartment when authorising the importation or transit of the following commodities which have been prepared and packaged for retail trade and complying with Article 5.3.2.:
 - i) off the shell oyster meat (chilled or frozen);
 - ii) half-shell (chilled or frozen).

For these commodities Members may wish to consider introducing internal measures to address the risks associated with the commodity being used for any purpose other than for human consumption.

2. When importing live aquatic animals or aquatic animal products, other than those referred to in point 1 above, of the species referred to in Article 11.2.2. from a country, ~~zone or compartment~~ not declared free from *B. ostreae*, the *Competent Authority* of the *importing country* should assess the *risk* and apply appropriate *risk* mitigation measures.

~~This Article does not apply to *commodities* referred to in point 1 of Article 10.1.3.~~