

Terrestrial Animal Health Standards Commission
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USA Comments

Chapter 8.2
Aujesky's Disease

Article 8.2.1.

General provisions

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When authorizing import or transit of ~~other commodities listed~~ **other than those described in Article 8.2.1** in this chapter, *Veterinary Authorities* should require the conditions prescribed in this chapter relevant to the AD status of the *exporting country or zone*.

Rationale: The United States recommends modifying the text as suggested to better clarify the intent of what is considered safe commodities.

Article 8.2.1.bis:

Safe commodities

Comment: The United States has reviewed the proposed text and is supportive of the addition of this article to the chapter.

Article 8.2.2

AD free country or zone

1. Qualifications

General comment: The United States understands that this article is not currently up for comment but proposed changes to the Classical Swine Fever (CSF) chapter regarding the use of differential vaccines presents us with the opportunity to again request a similar change to the Aujesky (AD) chapter. Currently in the AD chapter under Article 8.2.2 vaccination is not allowed for qualification as an AD free country or *zone*. The United States kindly requests that the OIE consider allowing vaccination if there are means, validated to OIE standards, of distinguishing between vaccinated and infected animals. This would be consistent with the proposed changes in Article 15.3.3. of the CSF chapter.