**GLOSSARY**

***BASIC BIOSECURITY CONDITIONS***

means a minimum set of conditions, as described in Article 1.4.6., required to ensure *biosecurity* for a particular *disease*, in a country, *zone* or *compartment*.~~that should include:~~

~~a~~) ~~compulsory notification of the disease or suspicion of the disease to the Competent Authority; and~~

~~b)~~ ~~an early detection system; and~~

~~c)~~ ~~requirements to prevent the introduction of the pathogenic agent into a free country, zone or compartment, or the spread within or from infected zones and protection zones, in accordance with the relevant disease-specific chapter.~~

***EARLY DETECTION SYSTEM***

means an efficient system, as described in Article 1.4.7., for ensuring the rapid recognition of signs that are suspicious of a *listed disease*, or an*emerging disease* ~~situation~~, or unexplained mortality, in *aquatic animals* in an*aquaculture establishment* or in the wild, and the rapid communication of the event to the *Competent Authority*, with the aim of activating diagnostic investigation by the *Aquatic Animal Health Services* with minimal delay. ~~Such a system will include the following characteristics:~~

~~a)~~ ~~broad awareness, e.g. among the personnel employed at~~*~~aquaculture establishments~~*~~or involved in processing, of the characteristic signs of the~~*~~listed diseases~~*~~and~~*~~emerging diseases~~*~~;~~

~~b)~~ *~~veterinarians~~*~~or~~*~~aquatic animal health professionals~~*~~trained in recognising and reporting suspicions of~~*~~disease~~*~~occurrence;~~

~~c)~~ ~~ability of the~~*~~Aquatic Animal Health Services~~*~~to undertake rapid and effective~~*~~disease~~*~~investigation based on a national chain of command;~~

~~d)~~ ~~access by the~~*~~Aquatic Animal Health Services~~*~~to laboratories with the facilities for diagnosing and differentiating~~*~~listed diseases~~*~~and~~*~~emerging diseases~~*~~;~~

~~e)~~ ~~the legal obligation of private~~*~~veterinarians~~*~~or~~*~~aquatic animal health professionals~~*~~to report suspicions of~~*~~disease~~*~~occurrence to the~~*~~Competent Authority~~*~~.~~

***PASSIVE SURVEILLANCE***

means the generation of observer-initiated *aquatic animal* health data by an *early detection system.*

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