

# The revised OIE chapter on zoning and compartmentalisation

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## Chapter 4.3. What's new?

1. Revised and adopted by the OIE Delegates in May 2018 (86<sup>th</sup> General Session)
2. Streamlining of existing articles (Introduction, General considerations, Principles for defining and establishing a zone or compartment)
3. Harmonisation with glossary definitions relating to zoning
4. Recommendation for several types of zoning (free zone, infected zone, protection zone and containment zone)
5. Introduction of bilateral recognition of zoning

# Containment zone

## 1. Purpose of CZ

- In the event of outbreaks... a containment zone, which includes all **epidemiologically linked** outbreaks may be established **to minimise the impact** on the rest of the country or zone.

## 2. Establishment of CZ

- Based on a **rapid response** prepared in a **contingency plan**
- Movement control, epidemiological investigation, stamping-out, animal identification, surveillance and biosecurity and sanitary measures
- Effectively established if:
  - No new cases in CZ minimum of two incubation period from the disposal of the last detected case; or
  - CZ comprises **infected zone (with cases)** and **protection zone (no cases)**

## Containment zone (cont.)

### 3. Regaining of free status of CZ

- Criteria in Disease specific chapters apply (if none, Article 1.4.6 applies)

### 4. Free status of areas outside CZ

- Suspended until CZ is effectively established
- Lost if there is an outbreak in CZ without protection zone **or in protection zone surrounding CZ**

# Bilateral recognition

1. Best implemented through establishing parameters and **gaining agreement on the necessary measures prior to outbreaks of disease** (peace time agreement)
2. Exporting country should be able to explain its trading partners **the basis for claiming a specific animal health status** for a given zone
3. Importing country should **recognise the existence of zones** in its trading partners in accordance with **Chapter 5.3.:**Encourage recognition of zoning applied by trading partners

## Further revision (under consideration)

1. New chapter on application of zoning (mirroring Chapter 4.4. on CMP) → Already taken in Code Commission's work programme
2. Development of recommendations for "temporary protection zone" → diseases of OIE official recognition (FMD, CSF, etc)  
  
\*elevated risk of disease introduction (without actual outbreak) is not addressed in the current chapter → under joint consideration by Code Commission and Scientific Commission.



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