

The zoning procedure of the OIE Terrestrial Code, its use and implementations

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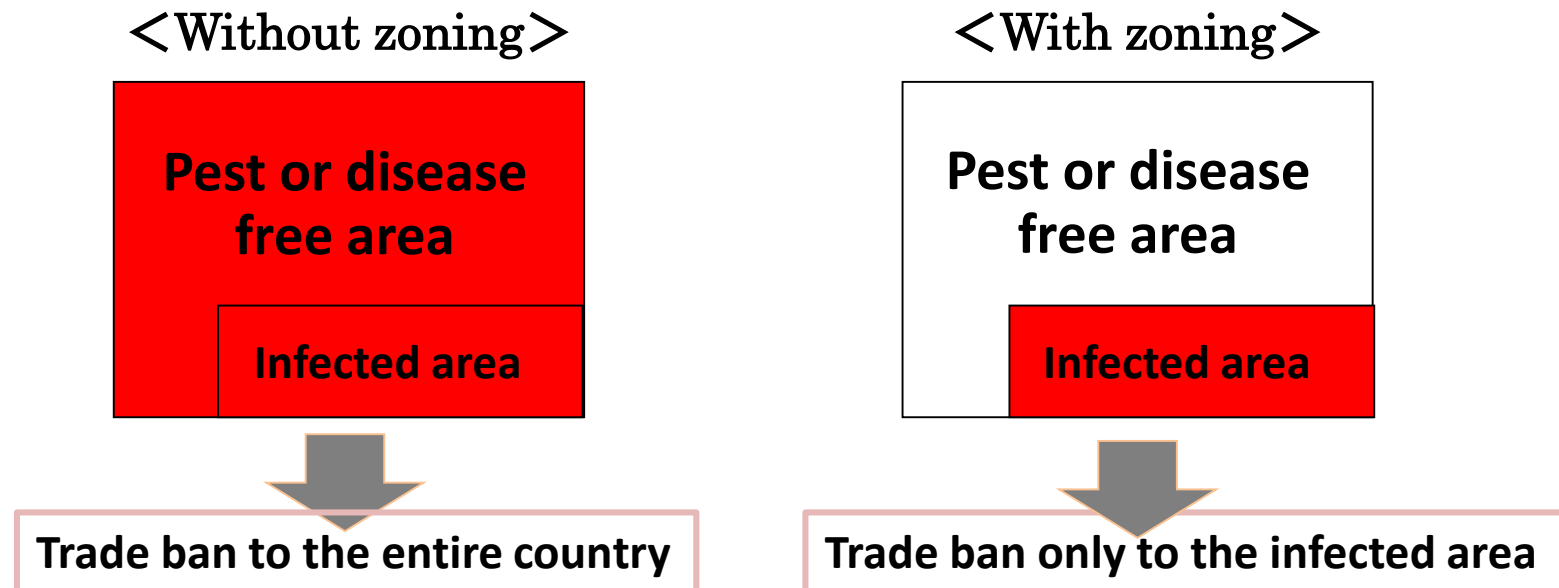
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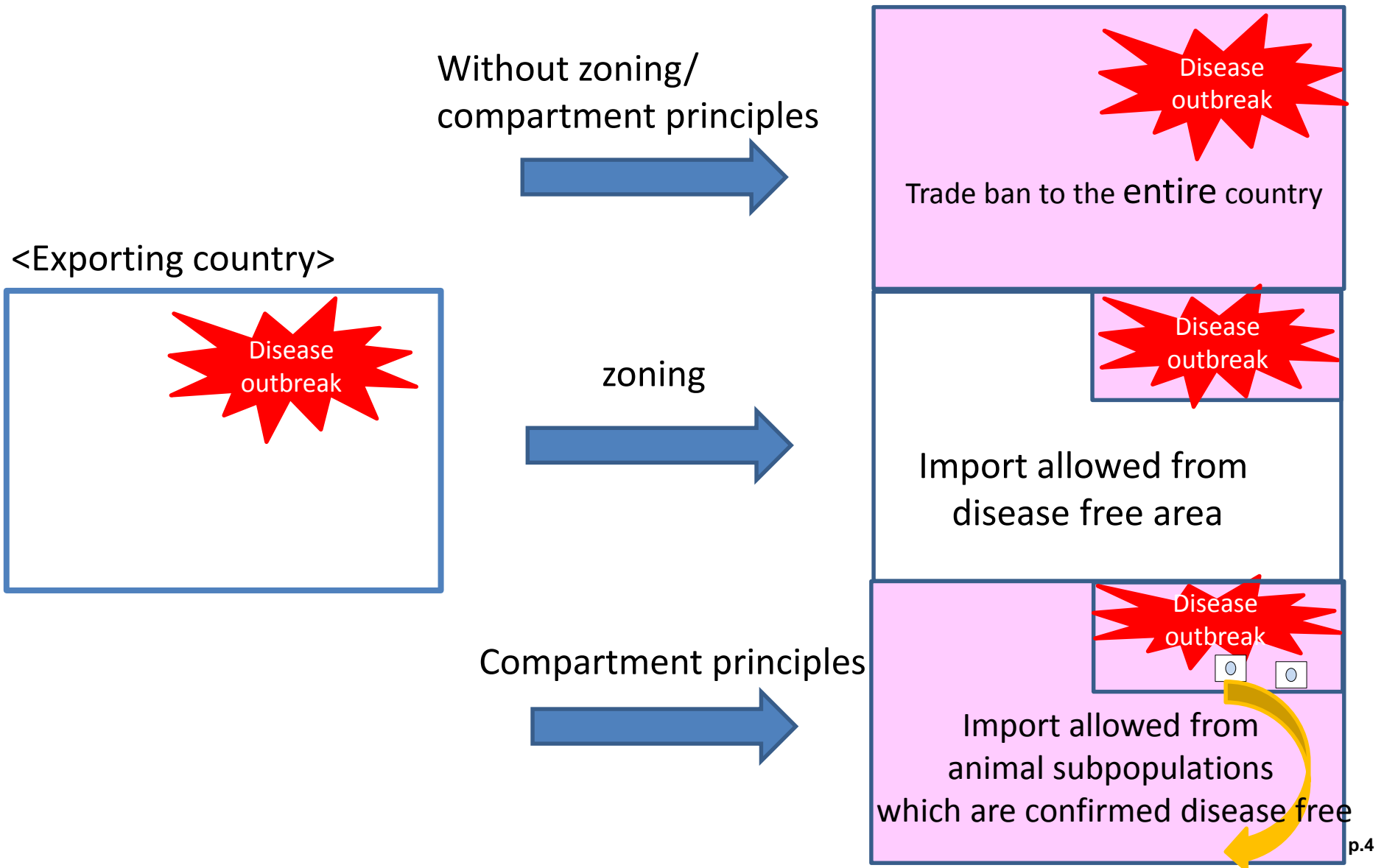
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What is zoning?

Since it is not necessarily appropriate to adopt the same measures to all agricultural products originated from various countries in related to climate, pests or diseases, SPS Agreement provides Member Countries shall adapt their SPS measures to the situations.



zoning and compartment principles



WTO SPS Agreement - regionalisation

The WTO Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS Agreement)

Article 6

Adaptation to Regional Conditions, Including Pest- or Disease-Free Areas and Areas of Low Pest or Disease Prevalence

1. Members shall ensure that their sanitary or phytosanitary measures are adapted to the sanitary or phytosanitary characteristics of the area - whether all of a country, part of a country, or all or parts of several countries...

2. Members shall...recognize the concepts of pest — or disease-free areas... Determination of such areas shall be based on factors such as geography, ecosystems, epidemiological surveillance, and the effectiveness of sanitary or phytosanitary controls.

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3. Exporting Members... shall provide the necessary evidence... to objectively demonstrate...that such areas are...pest— or disease— free areas... For this purpose, reasonable access shall be given..., upon request, to the importing Member for inspection, testing and other relevant procedures.

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Chapter 4.3.

Zoning and compartmentalisation

Article 4.3.1. Introduction

...there may be benefits to a Member Country in establishing and maintaining a subpopulation with a distinct health status within its territory.... Subpopulations may be separated by natural or artificial geographical barriers or, in certain situations, by the application of appropriate management practices.

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Chapter 4.3.

Zoning and compartmentalisation

Article 4.3.1. Introduction

...While zoning applies to an animal subpopulation defined primarily on a geographical basis, compartmentalisation applies to an animal subpopulation defined primarily by management and husbandry practices related to biosecurity. In practice, spatial considerations and appropriate management, including biosecurity plans, play important roles in the application of both concepts.

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Chapter 4.3. Zoning and compartmentalisation

Article 4.3.2. General considerations

The Veterinary Services, including laboratories, should be established and should operate in accordance with Chapters 3.1. and 3.2., to provide confidence in the integrity of the zone or compartment. The final authority over the zone or compartment, for the purposes of domestic and international trade, lies with the Veterinary Authority.

Zoning procedure of the OIE Code

1. Establishment of a zone
2. Maintenance of the subpopulation
 - Epidemiological separation
 - Surveillance
 - Movement control
 - Identification and traceability
3. Contingency plan
 - Early detection
 - Disease control (stamping out, vaccination, disinfection)
 - Containment zone/Protection zone

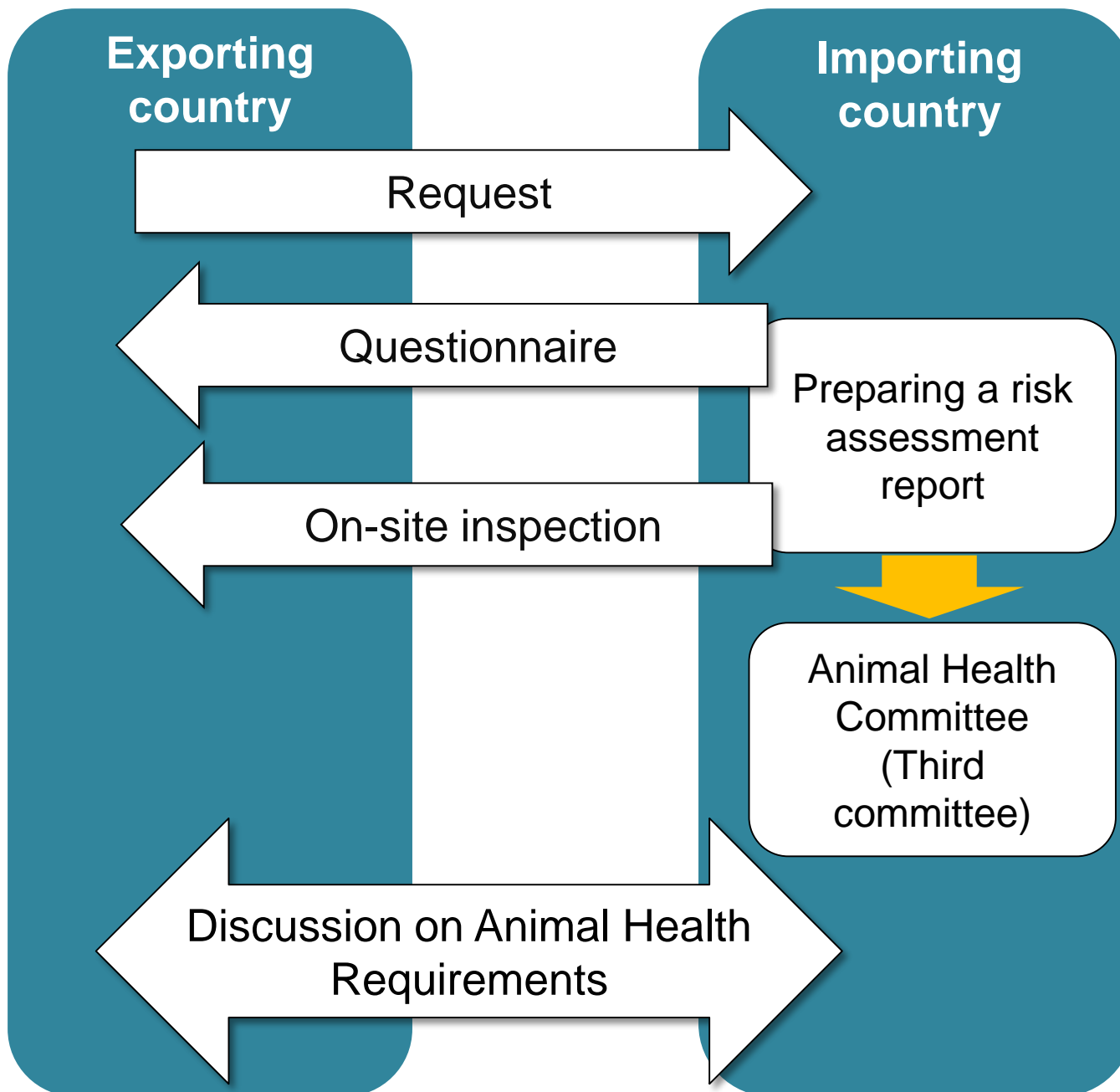
1. Capability of Veterinary Service

- Human resources
- Veterinary legislations
- Laboratory
- Identification and traceability

2. Relevant OIE standards

- Notification
- Surveillance
- Quality of Veterinary Services
- Vaccination
- Disease specific chapters

Standard Procedure for risk assessment for zoning application in Japan



Questionnaire

<http://www.maff.go.jp/j/syouan/douei/eisei/sop/>

Veterinary Services

Demography of livestock population

Routine control measures against targeted diseases

Containment measures against outbreaks

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