

Council Directive 2006/88/EC of 24 October 2006 on animal health requirements for aquaculture animals and products thereof, and on the prevention and control of certain diseases in aquatic animals

CHAPTER V

NOTIFICATION AND MINIMUM MEASURES FOR CONTROL OF DISEASES OF AQUATIC ANIMALS

SECTION 1

Disease notification

Article 26

National notification

- 1 Member States shall ensure that:
 - a when there are any reasons to suspect the presence of a disease listed in Part II of Annex IV, or the presence of such disease is confirmed in aquatic animals, the suspicion and/or the confirmation is immediately notified to the competent authority;
 - and
 - b when increased mortality occurs in aquaculture animals, the mortality is immediately notified to the competent authority or a private veterinarian for further investigations.
- 2 Member States shall ensure that the obligations to notify the matters referred to in paragraph 1 are imposed on:
 - a the owner and any person attending aquatic animals;
 - b any person accompanying aquaculture animals during transport;
 - c veterinary practitioners and other professionals involved in aquatic animal health services;
 - d official veterinarians, senior staff of veterinary or other official or private laboratories;
 - and
 - e any other person with an occupational relationship to aquatic animals of susceptible species or to products of such animals.