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## **CHAPTER VI**

### CONTROL PROGRAMMES AND VACCINATION

#### SECTION 1

### Surveillance and eradication programmes

#### Article 44

# Drawing up and approval of surveillance and eradication programmes

Where a Member State not known to be infected but not declared free (category III as referred to in Part A of Annex III) of one or more of the non-exotic diseases listed in Part II of Annex IV draws up a surveillance programme for achieving disease-free status for one or more of those diseases, it shall submit that programme for approval in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 62(2).

Such programmes may also be amended or terminated in accordance with that procedure.

The specific requirements for surveillance, sampling and diagnostic shall be those provided for in Article 49(3).

However, where a programme provided for in this paragraph is to cover individual compartments or zones, which comprise less than 75 % of the territory of the Member State, and the zone or compartment consists of a water catchment area not shared with another Member State or third country, the procedure referred to in Article 50(2) shall apply for any approval, or amendment or termination of such programme.

Where a Member State known to be infected (category V as referred to in Part A of Annex III) by one or more of the non-exotic diseases listed in Part II of Annex IV, draws up an eradication programme for one or more of those diseases, it shall submit that programme for approval in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 62(2).

Such programmes may also be amended or terminated in accordance with that procedure.

- An overview of the programmes approved in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article shall be made available at Community level in accordance with the procedures provided for in Article 51.
- From the date of approval of the programmes referred to in this Article, the requirements and measures provided for in Article 14, Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Chapter III, Section 2 of Chapter V, and Article 38(1) in relation to areas declared disease-free shall apply to the areas which are covered by the programmes.