**Form for the annual reconfirmation of Members:
FMD free country where vaccination is not practised**

**To be filled in, dated, signed by the Delegate and sent back to** **disease.status@woah.org** **during the month of November each year**

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**In accordance with Resolution No. 15 of the 2020 Adapted Procedure and other relevant Resolutions previously adopted, Members having an officially recognised animal health status or risk status should reconfirm every year, during the month of November, that their status has remained unchanged.**

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| Question | YES | NO |
| 1. Has there been any case of FMD during the past 12 months?
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| 1. Has any vaccination against FMD been carried out during the past 12 months?
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| 1. Is surveillance in accordance with Articles 8.8.40. to 8.8.42. in operation to detect clinical signs of FMD and demonstrate no evidence of infection with FMDV?
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| 1. Have regulatory measures for the prevention and early detection of FMD been changed during the past 12 months?
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| 1. Has a protection zone been established, removed or modified during the past 12 months?
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| 1. Have there been any changes in the system for preventing the entry of FMDV into the country?
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| 1. If susceptible animals, their meat and products are imported, are they imported in accordance with requirements at least as strict as those in Chapter 8.8.?
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| N/A (no importation) |
| 1. Have any animals vaccinated against FMD been introduced since the cessation of vaccination, except in accordance with Articles 8.8.8. and 8.8.9.?
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| N/A (no importation) |
| 1. Have any changes in the epidemiological situation or other significant events regarding FMD occurred during the past 12 months?
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| **\*\***Please provide relevant documented evidence substantiating your answers to questions 3 to 9.**This information is mandatory for retention on the List of Members recognised by WOAH as free from FMD.**\*\* Note: according to Article 8.8.2. of the *Terrestrial Code*, retention on the list of FMD free countries without vaccination requires that supportive information be provided on surveillance; regulatory measures for the prevention and early detection; the system in place for preventing the entry of FMDV; the control of the movement of susceptible animals and their products into the FMD free country; and the absence of introduction of vaccinated animal. For instance, for surveillance, this information could include, but would not be limited to, the early detection system and whether or not some FMD suspicions were reported in the current year; the criteria for raising FMD suspicion and whether awareness campaigns or simulation exercises have been conducted; the type of surveillance (clinical, virological, serological or a combination of such), the number of suspected cases (if any), and the follow-up testing and/or investigations to exclude FMD and reach a final diagnosis. List of awareness campaigns or simulation exercises that have been conducted in the reporting year. For importations of commodities, supportive documents could include the list of countries (or zones) from which commodities were imported during the last 12 months, and a description of any changes in the import conditions or procedures for assessing the risk of imports. |
| **I certify that the above are correct.**Date: Signature of Delegate: |

**[Reference to the relevant article in the FMD chapter of the *Terrestrial Animal Health Code* (2022)]**

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| Article 8.8.2.FMD free country or zone where vaccination is not practisedIn defining a [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised the principles of Chapter [4.4.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_zoning_compartment.htm#chapitre_zoning_compartment) should be followed.Susceptible animals in the FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised should be protected by the application of [*biosecurity*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_securite_biologique) measures that prevent the entry of FMDV into the free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region). Taking into consideration physical or geographical barriers with any neighbouring infected country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region), these measures may include a [*protection zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_tampon).To qualify for inclusion in the list of FMD free countries or [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised, a Member Country should:1. have a record of regular and prompt animal disease reporting;
2. send a declaration to the OIE stating that during the past 12 months, within the proposed FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region):
	1. there has been no [*case*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_cas) of FMD;
	2. no [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) against FMD has been carried out;
3. supply documented evidence that for the past 12 months:
	1. [*surveillance*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_surveillance) in accordance with Articles [8.8.40.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.40.) to [8.8.42.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.42.) has been implemented to detect clinical signs of FMD and demonstrate no evidence of:
		1. [*infection*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_infection) with FMDV in unvaccinated animals;
		2. FMDV transmission in previously vaccinated animals when the FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised is seeking to become one where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised;
	2. regulatory measures for the prevention and early detection of FMD have been implemented;
4. describe in detail and supply documented evidence that for the past 12 months the following have been properly implemented and supervised:
	1. in the case of a FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region), the boundaries of the proposed FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region);
	2. the boundaries and measures of a [*protection zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_tampon), if applicable;
	3. the system for preventing the entry of FMDV into the proposed FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region);
	4. the control of the movement of susceptible animals, their [*meat*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_viandes) and other products into the proposed FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region), in particular the measures described in Articles [8.8.8.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.8.), [8.8.9.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.9.) and  [8.8.12.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.12.);
	5. no vaccinated animal has been introduced except in accordance with Articles [8.8.8.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.8.) and  [8.8.9.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.9.)

The Member Country or the proposed free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) will be included in the list of FMD free countries or [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised only after the submitted evidence, based on the provisions of Chapter [1.11.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_selfdeclaration_FMD.htm#chapitre_selfdeclaration_fmd), has been accepted by the OIE.Retention on the list requires that the information in points 2), 3) and 4) above be re-submitted annually and changes in the epidemiological situation or other significant events including those relevant to points 3 *b)* and 4) should be reported to the OIE in accordance with the requirements in Chapter [1.1.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_notification.htm#chapitre_notification)Provided the conditions of points 1) to 4) are fulfilled, the status of a country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) will not be affected by applying official emergency [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) to FMD susceptible animals in zoological collections in the face of a FMD threat identified by the [*Veterinary Authorities*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_autorite_veterinaire), provided that the following conditions are met:* the zoological collection has the primary purpose of exhibiting animals or preserving rare species, has been identified, including the boundaries of the facility, and is included in the country's contingency plan for FMD;
* appropriate [*biosecurity*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_securite_biologique) measures are in place, including effective separation from other susceptible domestic populations or [*wildlife*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_faune_sauvage);
* the animals are identified as belonging to the collection and any movements can be traced;
* the vaccine used complies with the standards described in the [*Terrestrial Manual*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_manuel_terrestre);
* [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is conducted under the supervision of the [*Veterinary Authority*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_autorite_veterinaire);
* the zoological collection is placed under [*surveillance*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_surveillance) for at least 12 months after [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination).

In the event of the application for the status of a FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised to be assigned to a new [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) adjacent to another FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised, it should be stated if the new [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) is being merged with the adjacent [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) to become one enlarged [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region). If the two [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) remain separate, details should be provided on the control measures to be applied for the maintenance of the status of the separate [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) and particularly on the identification and the control of the movement of animals between the [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) of the same status in accordance with Chapter [4.4.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_zoning_compartment.htm#chapitre_zoning_compartment)  |

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| Question | YES | NO |
| 1. Has there been any case of FMD during the past 12 months?
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| 1. Has any evidence of FMD virus transmission been found during the past 12 months?
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| 1. Is surveillance in accordance with Articles 8.8.40. to 8.8.42. in operation to detect clinical signs of FMD and demonstrate no evidence of infection with FMDV in unvaccinated animals and of FMDV transmission in vaccinated animals?
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| 1. Have regulatory measures for the prevention and early detection of FMD been changed during the past 12 months?
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| 1. Has compulsory systematic vaccination been carried out in the target population during the past 12 months to achieve adequate vaccination coverage and population immunity?
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| 1. Does the vaccine used comply with the standards described in the *Terrestrial Manual* and has it been chosen following appropriate vaccine strain selection?
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| 1. Has a protection zone been established, removed or modified, during the past 12 months?
 |  |  |
| 1. Have there been any changes in the system for preventing the entry of FMDV into the country?
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| 1. If susceptible animals, their meat and products are imported, are they imported in accordance with requirements at least as strict as those in Chapter 8.8.?
 |  |  |
| N/A (no importation) |
| 1. Have any changes in the epidemiological situation or other significant events regarding FMD occurred during the past 12 months?
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| \*\*Please provide relevant documented evidence substantiating your answers to questions 3 to 10.**This information is mandatory for retention on the List of Members recognised by WOAH as free from FMD.**\*\* Note: according to Article 8.8.3. of the *Terrestrial Code*, retention on the list of FMD free countries with vaccination requires that supportive information be provided on surveillance; regulatory measures for the prevention and early detection; the system in place for preventing the entry of FMDV; the control of the movement of susceptible animals and their products into the FMD free country. For instance, for surveillance, this information could include, but would not be limited to, the early detection system and whether or not some FMD suspicions were reported in the current year; the criteria for raising FMD suspicion and whether awareness campaigns or simulation exercises have been conducted; the type of surveillance (clinical, virological, serological or a combination of such), the number of suspected cases (if any), and the follow-up testing and/or investigations to exclude FMD and reach a final diagnosis. Information on the type of vaccine used, vaccine strain(s), number of animals vaccinated by species; results of the vaccination coverage, population immunity, vaccine matching studies performed in the past 12 months, by serotype, species, should be provided, as relevant. List of awareness campaigns or simulation exercises that have been conducted in the reporting year. For importations of commodities, supportive documents could include the list of countries (or zones) from which commodities were imported during the last 12 months, and a description of any changes in the import conditions or procedures for assessing the risk of imports. |
| **I certify that the above are correct.**Date: Signature of Delegate: |

**[Reference to the relevant article in the FMD chapter of the *Terrestrial Animal Health Code* (2022)]**

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| Article 8.8.3.FMD free country or zone where vaccination is practised In defining a [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised the principles of Chapter [4.4.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_zoning_compartment.htm#chapitre_zoning_compartment) should be followed.Susceptible animals in the FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised should be protected by the application of [*biosecurity*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_securite_biologique) measures that prevent the entry of FMDV into the free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region). Taking into consideration physical or geographical barriers with any neighbouring infected country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region), these measures may include a [*protection zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_tampon).Based on the epidemiology of FMD in the country, it may be decided to vaccinate only a defined [*subpopulation*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_sous_population) comprised of certain species or other subsets of the total susceptible population.To qualify for inclusion in the list of FMD free countries or [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised, a Member Country should:1. have a record of regular and prompt animal disease reporting;
2. send a declaration to the OIE stating that, based on the [*surveillance*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_surveillance) described in point 3), within the proposed FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region):
	1. there has been no [*case*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_cas) of FMD during the past two years;
	2. there has been no evidence of FMDV transmission during the past 12 months;
3. supply documented evidence that:
	1. [*surveillance*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_surveillance) in accordance with Articles [8.8.40.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.40.) to [8.8.42.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.42.) has been implemented to detect clinical signs of FMD and demonstrate no evidence of:
		1. [*infection*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_infection) with FMDV in unvaccinated animals;
		2. FMDV transmission in vaccinated animals;
	2. regulatory measures for the prevention and early detection of FMD have been implemented;
	3. compulsory systematic [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) in the target population has been carried out to achieve adequate [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) coverage and population immunity;
	4. [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) has been carried out following appropriate vaccine strain selection;
4. describe in detail and supply documented evidence that the following have been properly implemented and supervised:
	1. in case of FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region), the boundaries of the proposed FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region);
	2. the boundaries and measures of a [*protection zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_tampon), if applicable;
	3. the system for preventing the entry of FMDV into the proposed FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region), in particular the measures described in Articles [8.8.8.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.8.), [8.8.9.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.9.) and [8.8.12.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.12.);
	4. the control of the movement of susceptible animals and their products into the proposed FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region).

The Member Country or the proposed free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) will be included in the list of FMD free countries or [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised only after the submitted evidence, based on the provisions of Chapter [1.11.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_selfdeclaration_FMD.htm#chapitre_selfdeclaration_fmd), has been accepted by the OIE.Retention on the list requires that the information in points 2), 3) and 4) above be re-submitted annually and changes in the epidemiological situation or other significant events including those relevant to points 3 *b)* and 4) should be reported to the OIE in accordance with the requirements in Chapter [1.1.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_notification.htm#chapitre_notification)If a Member Country that meets the requirements of a FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised wishes to change its status to FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised, it should notify the OIE in advance of the intended date of cessation of [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) and apply for the new status within 24 months of the cessation. The status of this country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) remains unchanged until compliance with Article [8.8.2.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.2.) is approved by the OIE. If the dossier for the new status is not provided within 24 months then the status of the country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) as being free with [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) will be suspended. If the country does not comply with requirements of Article [8.8.2.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.2.), evidence should be provided within three months that it complies with Article [8.8.3.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.3.) Otherwise the status will be withdrawn.In the event of the application for the status of a FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised to be assigned to a new [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) adjacent to another FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised, it should be stated if the new [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) is being merged with the adjacent [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) to become one enlarged [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region). If the two [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) remain separate, details should be provided on the control measures to be applied for the maintenance of the status of the separate [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) and particularly on the identification and the control of the movement of animals between the [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) of the same status in accordance with Chapter [4.4.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_zoning_compartment.htm#chapitre_zoning_compartment) |

**Form for the annual reconfirmation of Members:
FMD free zone where vaccination is not practised**

**To be filled in, dated, signed by the Delegate and sent back to** **disease.status@woah.org** **during the month of November each year**

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| **YEAR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** | **COUNTRY\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** | **ZONE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |

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| Question | YES | NO |
| 1. Have there been any changes in the boundaries of the FMD free zone?
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| 1. Has there been any case of FMD during the past 12 months?
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| 1. Has any vaccination against FMD been carried out during the past 12 months?
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| 1. Is surveillance in accordance with Articles 8.8.40. to 8.8.42. in operation to detect clinical signs of FMD and demonstrate no evidence of infection with FMDV?
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| 1. Have regulatory measures for the prevention and early detection of FMD been changed during the past 12 months?
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| 1. Has a protection zone been established, removed or modified during the past 12 months?
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| 1. Have there been any changes in the system for preventing the entry of FMDV into the country?
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| 1. If susceptible animals, their meat and products are introduced, are they introduced in accordance with requirements at least as strict as those in Chapter 8.8.?
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| N/A (no introduction) |
| 1. Have any animals vaccinated against FMD been introduced since the cessation of vaccination, except in accordance with Articles 8.8.8. and 8.8.9.?
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| N/A (no introduction) |
| 1. Have any changes in the epidemiological situation or other significant events regarding FMD occurred during the past 12 months?
 |  |  |
| \*\* Please provide relevant documented evidence substantiating your answers to questions 1, and 4 to 10.**This information is mandatory for retention on the List of zones recognised by WOAH as free from FMD.**\*\* Note: according to Article 8.8.2. of the *Terrestrial Code*, retention on the list of FMD free zones without vaccination requires that supportive information be provided on surveillance; regulatory measures for the prevention and early detection; the system in place for preventing the entry of FMDV; the control of the movement of susceptible animals and their products into the FMD free zone; and the absence of introduction of vaccinated animal. For instance, for surveillance, this information could include, but would not be limited to, the early detection system and whether or not some FMD suspicions were reported in the current year; the criteria for raising FMD suspicion and whether awareness campaigns or simulation exercises have been conducted; the type of surveillance (clinical, virological, serological or a combination of such), the number of suspected cases (if any), and the follow-up testing and/or investigations to exclude FMD and reach a final diagnosis. List of awareness campaigns or simulation exercises that have been conducted in the reporting year. For importations or movements of commodities, supportive documents could include the list of countries (or zones) from which commodities were introduced during the last 12 months, and a description of any changes in the import or movement conditions or procedures for assessing the risk of imports or movements. |
| **I certify that the above are correct.**Date: Signature of Delegate: |

**In accordance with Resolution No. 15 of the 2020 Adapted Procedure and other relevant Resolutions previously adopted, Members having an officially recognised animal health status or risk status should reconfirm every year, during the month of November that their status has remained unchanged.**

**[Reference to the relevant article in the FMD chapter of the *Terrestrial Animal Health Code* (2022)]**

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| Article 8.8.2.FMD free country or zone where vaccination is not practisedIn defining a [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised the principles of Chapter [4.4.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_zoning_compartment.htm#chapitre_zoning_compartment) should be followed.Susceptible animals in the FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised should be protected by the application of [*biosecurity*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_securite_biologique) measures that prevent the entry of FMDV into the free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region). Taking into consideration physical or geographical barriers with any neighbouring infected country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region), these measures may include a [*protection zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_tampon).To qualify for inclusion in the list of FMD free countries or [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised, a Member Country should:1. have a record of regular and prompt animal disease reporting;
2. send a declaration to the OIE stating that during the past 12 months, within the proposed FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region):
	1. there has been no [*case*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_cas) of FMD;
	2. no [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) against FMD has been carried out;
3. supply documented evidence that for the past 12 months:
	1. [*surveillance*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_surveillance) in accordance with Articles [8.8.40.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.40.) to [8.8.42.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.42.) has been implemented to detect clinical signs of FMD and demonstrate no evidence of:
		1. [*infection*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_infection) with FMDV in unvaccinated animals;
		2. FMDV transmission in previously vaccinated animals when the FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised is seeking to become one where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised;
	2. regulatory measures for the prevention and early detection of FMD have been implemented;
4. describe in detail and supply documented evidence that for the past 12 months the following have been properly implemented and supervised:
	1. in the case of a FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region), the boundaries of the proposed FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region);
	2. the boundaries and measures of a [*protection zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_tampon), if applicable;
	3. the system for preventing the entry of FMDV into the proposed FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region);
	4. the control of the movement of susceptible animals, their [*meat*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_viandes) and other products into the proposed FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region), in particular the measures described in Articles [8.8.8.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.8.), [8.8.9.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.9.) and  [8.8.12.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.12.);
	5. no vaccinated animal has been introduced except in accordance with Articles [8.8.8.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.8.) and  [8.8.9.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.9.)

The Member Country or the proposed free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) will be included in the list of FMD free countries or [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised only after the submitted evidence, based on the provisions of Chapter [1.11.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_selfdeclaration_FMD.htm#chapitre_selfdeclaration_fmd), has been accepted by the OIE.Retention on the list requires that the information in points 2), 3) and 4) above be re-submitted annually and changes in the epidemiological situation or other significant events including those relevant to points 3 *b)* and 4) should be reported to the OIE in accordance with the requirements in Chapter [1.1.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_notification.htm#chapitre_notification)Provided the conditions of points 1) to 4) are fulfilled, the status of a country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) will not be affected by applying official emergency [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) to FMD susceptible animals in zoological collections in the face of a FMD threat identified by the [*Veterinary Authorities*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_autorite_veterinaire), provided that the following conditions are met:* the zoological collection has the primary purpose of exhibiting animals or preserving rare species, has been identified, including the boundaries of the facility, and is included in the country's contingency plan for FMD;
* appropriate [*biosecurity*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_securite_biologique) measures are in place, including effective separation from other susceptible domestic populations or [*wildlife*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_faune_sauvage);
* the animals are identified as belonging to the collection and any movements can be traced;
* the vaccine used complies with the standards described in the [*Terrestrial Manual*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_manuel_terrestre);
* [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is conducted under the supervision of the [*Veterinary Authority*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_autorite_veterinaire);
* the zoological collection is placed under [*surveillance*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_surveillance) for at least 12 months after [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination).

In the event of the application for the status of a FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised to be assigned to a new [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) adjacent to another FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised, it should be stated if the new [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) is being merged with the adjacent [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) to become one enlarged [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region). If the two [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) remain separate, details should be provided on the control measures to be applied for the maintenance of the status of the separate [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) and particularly on the identification and the control of the movement of animals between the [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) of the same status in accordance with Chapter [4.4.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_zoning_compartment.htm#chapitre_zoning_compartment)  |

**Form for the annual reconfirmation of Members:**

**FMD free zone where vaccination is practised**

**To be filled in, dated, signed by the Delegate and sent back to** **disease.status@woah.org**

**during the month of November each year**

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| YEAR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | COUNTRY\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | ZONE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

**In accordance with Resolution No. 15 of the 2020 Adapted Procedure and other relevant Resolutions previously adopted, Members having an officially recognised animal health status or BSE risk status should reconfirm every year, during the month of November that their status has remained unchanged.**

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| Question | YES | NO |
| 1. Have there been any changes in the boundaries of the FMD free zone?
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| 1. Has there been any case of FMD during the past 12 months?
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| 1. Has any evidence of FMD virus transmission been found during the past 12 months?
 |  |  |
| 1. Is surveillance in accordance with Articles 8.8.40. to 8.8.42. in operation to detect clinical signs of FMD and demonstrate no evidence of infection with FMDV in unvaccinated animals and of FMDV transmission in vaccinated animals?
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| 1. Have regulatory measures for the prevention and early detection of FMD been changed during the past 12 months?
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| 1. Has compulsory systematic vaccination been carried out in the target population during the past 12 months to achieve adequate vaccination coverage and population immunity?
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| 1. Does the vaccine used comply with the standards described in the *Terrestrial Manual* and has it been chosen following appropriate vaccine strain selection?
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| 1. Has a protection zone been established, removed or modified, during the past 12 months?
 |  |  |
| 1. Have there been any changes in the system for preventing the entry of FMDV into the country?
 |  |  |
| 1. If susceptible animals, their meat and products are introduced, are they introduced in accordance with requirements at least as strict as those in Chapter 8.8.?
 |  |  |
| N/A (no introduction) |
| 1. Have any changes in the epidemiological situation or other significant events regarding FMD occurred during the past 12 months?
 |  |  |
| \*\* Please provide relevant documented evidence substantiating your answers to questions 1, and 4 to 11.**This information is mandatory for retention on the List of zones recognised by WOAH as free from FMD.**\*\* Note: according to Article 8.8.3. of the *Terrestrial Code*, retention on the list of FMD free zones with vaccination requires that supportive information be provided on surveillance; regulatory measures for the prevention and early detection; the system in place for preventing the entry of FMDV; the control of the movement of susceptible animals and their products into the FMD free zone. For instance, for surveillance, this information could include, but would not be limited to, the early detection system and whether or not some FMD suspicions were reported in the current year; the criteria for raising FMD suspicion and whether awareness campaigns or simulation exercises have been conducted; the type of surveillance (clinical, virological, serological or a combination of such), the number of suspected cases (if any), and the follow-up testing and/or investigations to exclude FMD and reach a final diagnosis. Information on the type of vaccine used, vaccine strain(s), number of animals vaccinated by species; results of the vaccination coverage, population immunity, vaccine matching studies performed in the past 12 months, by serotype, species, should be provided, as relevant. List of awareness campaigns or simulation exercises that have been conducted in the reporting year. For importations or movements of commodities, supportive documents could include the list of countries (or zones) from which commodities were introduced during the last 12 months, and a description of any changes in the import or movement conditions or procedures for assessing the risk of imports or movements. |
| **I certify that the above are correct.**Date: Signature of Delegate: |

**[Reference to the relevant article in the FMD chapter of the *Terrestrial Animal Health Code* (2022)]**

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| Article 8.8.3.FMD free country or zone where vaccination is practised In defining a [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised the principles of Chapter [4.4.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_zoning_compartment.htm#chapitre_zoning_compartment) should be followed.Susceptible animals in the FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised should be protected by the application of [*biosecurity*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_securite_biologique) measures that prevent the entry of FMDV into the free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region). Taking into consideration physical or geographical barriers with any neighbouring infected country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region), these measures may include a [*protection zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_tampon).Based on the epidemiology of FMD in the country, it may be decided to vaccinate only a defined [*subpopulation*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_sous_population) comprised of certain species or other subsets of the total susceptible population.To qualify for inclusion in the list of FMD free countries or [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised, a Member Country should:1. have a record of regular and prompt animal disease reporting;
2. send a declaration to the OIE stating that, based on the [*surveillance*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_surveillance) described in point 3), within the proposed FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region):
	1. there has been no [*case*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_cas) of FMD during the past two years;
	2. there has been no evidence of FMDV transmission during the past 12 months;
3. supply documented evidence that:
	1. [*surveillance*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_surveillance) in accordance with Articles [8.8.40.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.40.) to [8.8.42.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.42.) has been implemented to detect clinical signs of FMD and demonstrate no evidence of:
		1. [*infection*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_infection) with FMDV in unvaccinated animals;
		2. FMDV transmission in vaccinated animals;
	2. regulatory measures for the prevention and early detection of FMD have been implemented;
	3. compulsory systematic [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) in the target population has been carried out to achieve adequate [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) coverage and population immunity;
	4. [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) has been carried out following appropriate vaccine strain selection;
4. describe in detail and supply documented evidence that the following have been properly implemented and supervised:
	1. in case of FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region), the boundaries of the proposed FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region);
	2. the boundaries and measures of a [*protection zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_tampon), if applicable;
	3. the system for preventing the entry of FMDV into the proposed FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region), in particular the measures described in Articles [8.8.8.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.8.), [8.8.9.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.9.) and [8.8.12.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.12.);
	4. the control of the movement of susceptible animals and their products into the proposed FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region).

The Member Country or the proposed free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) will be included in the list of FMD free countries or [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised only after the submitted evidence, based on the provisions of Chapter [1.11.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_selfdeclaration_FMD.htm#chapitre_selfdeclaration_fmd), has been accepted by the OIE.Retention on the list requires that the information in points 2), 3) and 4) above be re-submitted annually and changes in the epidemiological situation or other significant events including those relevant to points 3 *b)* and 4) should be reported to the OIE in accordance with the requirements in Chapter [1.1.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_notification.htm#chapitre_notification)If a Member Country that meets the requirements of a FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised wishes to change its status to FMD free country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is not practised, it should notify the OIE in advance of the intended date of cessation of [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) and apply for the new status within 24 months of the cessation. The status of this country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) remains unchanged until compliance with Article [8.8.2.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.2.) is approved by the OIE. If the dossier for the new status is not provided within 24 months then the status of the country or [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) as being free with [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) will be suspended. If the country does not comply with requirements of Article [8.8.2.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.2.), evidence should be provided within three months that it complies with Article [8.8.3.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_fmd.htm#article_fmd.3.) Otherwise the status will be withdrawn.In the event of the application for the status of a FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised to be assigned to a new [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) adjacent to another FMD free [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) where [*vaccination*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised, it should be stated if the new [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) is being merged with the adjacent [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) to become one enlarged [*zone*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region). If the two [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) remain separate, details should be provided on the control measures to be applied for the maintenance of the status of the separate [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) and particularly on the identification and the control of the movement of animals between the [*zones*](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) of the same status in accordance with Chapter [4.4.](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_zoning_compartment.htm#chapitre_zoning_compartment) |