**Form for the annual reconfirmation of the endorsement of the official control programme for dog-mediated rabies of Members**

**To be filled in, dated, signed by the Delegate and sent back to** [**disease.status@woah.org**](mailto: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 endorsement of their official control programme should update on the progress of the programme every year, during the month of November.**

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| Question | YES | NO |
| 1. Have there been significant changes affecting the performance of Veterinary Services in your country during the past 12 months? |  |  |
| 1. Is the endorsed programme applicable to the whole country? |  |  |
| 1. Have there been changes in the regular and prompt animal disease reporting according to the requirements of Chapter 1.1.? |  |  |
| 1. Have there been changes to the measures implemented to prevent or control dog-mediated rabies? |  |  |
| 1. Have disease surveillance activities been carried out taking into account provisions of Chapter 1.4. and Article 8.15.13.? |  |  |
| 1. Have there been changes in the dog population control programme according to the requirements of Chapter 7.7.? |  |  |
| 1. Have there been changes to the diagnostic capability and procedures ? |  |  |
| 1. Have samples been regularly submitted to a [laboratory](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_laboratoire) for confirmation of rabies? |  |  |
| 1. Have there been changes on the compulsory vaccination strategy? |  |  |
| 1. Have the timelines and performance indicators outlined in the endorsed official control programme been met? |  |  |
| 1. Have there been changes to the emergency preparedness and contingency response plan (including the coordination with other Competent Authorities) to be implemented in the event of dog bite incidents or rabies case(s) in a dog or human? |  |  |
| 1. Have any changes in the epidemiological situation, increase of incidence of rabies, or other significant events regarding the official control programme for dog-mediated rabies occurred during the past 12 months? |  |  |
| **Please provide an update on the progress of the official control programme and information on changes concerning the points above.**  **This information is mandatory for retention on the List of Members having an official control programme for dog mediated rabies endorsed by WOAH.**  \*\* Note: according to Article 8.15.11. of the *Terrestrial Code*, the annual reconfirmation of an endorsed official control programme should be substantiated by supporting documents providing an update on the progress of the control programme. In particular, it should be provided for the past 12 months: i) a description of each performance indicator. In case a target has not been met, explanation on the cause and corrective actions; ii) progress made in the timeline (established at the time of endorsement) and, in case a deadline has not been met, explanation on the cause and corrective actions; and iii) number of dogs vaccinated, results of the vaccination coverage and effectiveness (e.g., number of rabies cases). | | |
| **I certify that the above are correct.**  Date: Signature of Delegate : | | |

**[Reference to the relevant** [**article in the rabies chapter of the *Terrestrial Animal Health Code***](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/?id=169&L=1&htmfile=chapitre_rabies.htm) **]**

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| Article 8.15.11.  **WOAH endorsed official control programme for dog-mediated rabies**  The overall objective of a WOAH endorsed [*official control programme*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_programme_officiel_de_prophylaxie) for dog-mediated rabies is for Member Countries to progressively improve their dog-mediated rabies situation and eventually be able to make a self-declaration in accordance with Chapter [1.6.](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=chapitre_selfdeclaration.htm#chapitre_selfdeclaration) as a country free from dog-mediated rabies. The [*official control programme*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_programme_officiel_de_prophylaxie) should be applicable to the entire country even if certain measures are directed towards defined subpopulations only.  Member Countries may, on a voluntary basis, apply for endorsement of their [*official control programme*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_programme_officiel_de_prophylaxie) for dog-mediated rabies when they have implemented measures in accordance with this article.  For its [*official control programme*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_programme_officiel_de_prophylaxie) for dog-mediated rabies to be endorsed by WOAH, the Member Country should:   1. have a record of regular and prompt animal disease reporting in accordance with Chapter [1.1.](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=chapitre_notification.htm#chapitre_notification); 2. submit documented evidence (including relevant legislation) of its capacity to control dog-mediated rabies. This evidence may be provided using data generated by the PVS Pathway; 3. submit a detailed plan of the programme to control and eventually eradicate dog-mediated rabies in the country including:    1. the timeline;    2. the performance indicators for assessing the effectiveness of the control measures to be implemented;    3. documentation indicating that dog-mediated rabies is a [*notifiable disease*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_maladie_a_declaration_obligatoire) and that the [*official control programme*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_programme_officiel_de_prophylaxie) for dog-mediated rabies is applicable to the entire country; 4. submit a dossier on dog-mediated rabies in the country describing the following:    1. the general epidemiology in the country highlighting the current knowledge and gaps in knowledge and the progress that has been made in controlling dog-mediated rabies;    2. the measures implemented to prevent introduction of [*infection*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_infection);    3. the rapid detection of, and response to, dog-mediated rabies [*cases*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_cas), to reduce the [*incidence*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_incidence) and to eliminate transmission in at least one [*zone*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_zone_region) in the country;    4. dog population control programme in accordance with Chapter [7.7.](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=chapitre_aw_stray_dog.htm#chapitre_aw_stray_dog);    5. collaboration agreements or programmes with other [*Competent Authorities*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_autorite_competente) such as those responsible for public health and management of [*wild*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_animal_sauvage) and [*feral animals*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_animal_feral); 5. submit evidence that [*surveillance*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_surveillance) of dog-mediated rabies is in place:    1. by taking into account provisions in Chapter [1.4.](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=chapitre_surveillance_general.htm#chapitre_surveillance_general) and Article [8.15.13.](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=ticle_rabies.13.);    2. by having diagnostic capability and procedures, including regular submission of samples to a [*laboratory*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_laboratoire) that carries out diagnosis to support epidemiological investigation; 6. where [*vaccination*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) is practised as part of the [*official control programme*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_programme_officiel_de_prophylaxie) for dog-mediated rabies, provide:    1. evidence (such as copies of legislation) that [*vaccination*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) of selected populations is compulsory and the vaccines are produced in accordance with the [*Terrestrial Manual*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_manuel_terrestre);    2. detailed information on [*vaccination*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) campaigns, in particular on:       1. target [*populations*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_population);       2. monitoring of [*vaccination*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_vaccination) coverage;       3. technical specifications of the vaccines used and description of the regulatory procedures in place; 7. provide preparedness and contingency plans.   The Member Country's [*official control programme*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_programme_officiel_de_prophylaxie) for dog-mediated rabies will be included in the list of programmes endorsed by WOAH only after the submitted evidence has been accepted by WOAH. Retention on the list requires an annual update on the progress of the [*official control programme*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_programme_officiel_de_prophylaxie) and information on significant changes concerning the points above. Changes in the epidemiological situation and other significant events should be reported to WOAH in accordance with Chapter [1.1.](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=chapitre_notification.htm#chapitre_notification)  WOAH may withdraw the endorsement of the [*official control programme*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_programme_officiel_de_prophylaxie) if there is evidence of:   * non-compliance with the timelines or performance indicators of the programme; or * significant problems with the quality of the [*Veterinary Services*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_services_veterinaires) as per Section 3 of the [*Terrestrial Code*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_code_terrestre); or * an increase in the [*incidence*](https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-code-online-access/index.php?id=169&L=1&htmfile=glossaire.htm#terme_incidence) of dog-mediated rabies that cannot be explained or addressed by the programme. |