



ANTHRAX CASE DEFINITION

For the purposes of notification to WOA, *infection* with *Bacillus anthracis* (Anthrax) is defined as an *infection* of bovids, camelids, suids and equids (hereafter 'animal hosts') with *Bacillus anthracis*.

The following defines the occurrence of *infection* with *B. anthracis*:

1. *B. anthracis* has been isolated and identified as such in a sample from an animal host; or
2. antigen or nucleic acid specific to *B. anthracis* has been detected in a sample from an animal host showing clinical signs or pathological lesions consistent with *infection* with *B. anthracis*, or epidemiologically linked to a confirmed or suspected case of *infection* with *B. anthracis* or to a human infected with *B. anthracis*, or giving cause for suspicion of previous association or contact with *B. anthracis*.

Standards for diagnosis and vaccines, as well as information on the epidemiology, are described in the *Terrestrial Manual*.
