

SECTION 2.3.

VETERINARY VACCINES

INTRODUCTORY NOTE ON WOA RECOMMENDATIONS FOR VETERINARY VACCINES/BIOLOGICALS

WOAH has adopted a formal standard entitled Principles of Veterinary Vaccine Production. Its most recent version, adopted in May 2022, may be found in this Terrestrial Manual as chapter 1.1.8. Further chapters deal with sterility and freedom from contamination of biological materials (Chapter 1.1.9) and the management of vaccine banks (Chapter 1.1.10). In addition, many of the general principles of laboratory management set out in Chapter 1.1.1 Management of veterinary diagnostic laboratories are applicable to vaccine production, including such areas as accountability, executive management, infrastructure, human resources and compliance.

Section 2.3 Veterinary Vaccines provides more detailed information for vaccine design, manufacture and regulation in accordance with the principles set out in the standards. All of the chapters have been written by experts in the respective fields, and have been subjected to an extensive process of consultation in arriving at the final texts.

None of these chapters should be used in isolation. Each is designed to complement and inform the application of Chapter 1.1.8 Principles of Veterinary Vaccine Production in specific situations.

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