

Council Directive 2003/85/EC of 29 September 2003 on Community measures for the control of foot-and-mouth disease repealing Directive 85/511/EEC and Decisions 89/531/EEC and 91/665/EEC and amending Directive 92/46/EEC (Text with EEA relevance)

CHAPTER III

**PREVENTATIVE MEASURES**

SECTION 11

**DIAGNOSIS OF FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE**

*Article 71*

**Standards and tests for the diagnosis of foot-and-mouth disease and for the differential diagnosis of other vesicular diseases**

- 1 Member States shall ensure that the national laboratories use the tests and standards for diagnosis set out in Annex XIII.
- 2 A decision regarding the suitable arrangements for the purchase, storage and supply to national laboratories of sufficient quantities of specific reagents or diagnostic tests in case of an emergency, in particular with regard to the measures provided for in Article 56(3) may be adopted in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 89(2).
- 3 An Operational Manual for the diagnosis of foot-and-mouth disease and the differential diagnosis of vesicular diseases other than swine vesicular disease may be adopted in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 89(2).