## INTERNATIONAL CODE OF OENOLOGICAL PRACTICES Acidification

# II.2.1.3.1 Acidification

#### Definition:

Increase of the titratable acidity and the actual acidity (decrease of the pH).

#### **Objectives:**

- a) Production of balanced wines from a sensory point of view
- b) To promote good biological characteristics and good keeping quality of the wine.

#### **Prescriptions:**

The objective can be reached :

- a) By blending (\*\*)[1] with musts of elevated acidity;
- b) With the help of strong cation exchangers in the free form  $(**)^{[2]}$ .
- c) By the use of chemical procedures (*see Chemical acidification (II.2.1.3.1.1*);
- d) By microbiological acidification
- *e)* by electromembrane treatment, (*see Acidification by Electromembrane treatment (bipolar membrane electrodialysis) (II.2.1.3.1.3)*

### Recommendation of OIV:

Refer to the practices and procedures mentioned above.

<sup>[1]</sup> \*\* indicate that the production conditions are being studied

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