INTERNATIONAL CODE OF OENOLOGICAL PRACTICES De-acidification

II.2.1.3.2 De-acidification

Definition:

Reduction of the total acidity and the actual acidity (increase of the pH).

Objective:

Production of balanced wines from a sensory point of view.

Prescriptions:

The objective can be achieved:

- a) Spontaneously by precipitation of tartaric acid in the form of potassium bitartrate (see Physical de-acidification II.2.1.3.2.1),
- b) By blending with less acidic musts (see Blending[AF1]),
- c) By the use of physical procedures (*see Physical de-acidification II.2.1.3.2.1* and Cold treatment(**))^[1],
- d) By microbiological degradation of malic acid (see Microbiological deacidification II.2.1.3.2.3),
- e) By the use of chemical processes (see Chemical de-acidification II.2.1.3.2.2)
- f) With the help of anion exchangers $(**)^{[2]}$
- g) using an electromembrane process. (See: de-acidification using an electromembrane process (electrodialysis with bipolar and anionic membranes) (II.2.1.3.2.4)

Recommendation of the OIV:

Refer to the practices and procedures mentioned above.

[AF1]Blending est en ** dans les autres fiches, est-ce que je le rajoute ?

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