INTERNATIONAL CODE OF OENOLOGICAL PRACTICES Calcium tartrate treatment

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Classification:

• Calcium tartrate: processing aid

Definition:

Addition of calcium tartrate to wine.

Objective:

to contribute to the tartaric stabilisation of wine by decreasing the content of potassium hydrogenotartrate and calcium tartrate.

Prescriptions:

- a) The dose used must be inferior to 200g/hl.
- b) The treatment is carried out by calcium tartrate addition, stirring and artificial cooling of the wine followed by the separation with crystals formed by physical means.
- c) Calcium tartrate must conform to the prescriptions of the International oenological codex.

Recommendation of the OIV:

Admitted