II.4.3.3 Storage in a closed tank

Definition :

Storage of the cuvee after tirage in a hermetically closed tank, during the period of secondary fermentation.

Objective :

To favour the secondary fermentation and also the contact of the wine with the deposit.

Prescriptions :

a) The tank is stirred on several occasions during storage.

b) The temperature of the tank should be sufficiently low to favour obtaining an effervescence of good appearance, without preventing fermentation.

Recommendation of OIV:

Admitted