

### **3. WINES**

#### **3.3.7 TREATMENT WITH METATARTARIC ACID (16/70)**

*Definition :*

Addition of metatartaric acid to wine.

*Objective :*

To prevent the precipitation of potassium hydrogen tartrate and calcium tartrate.

*Prescriptions :*

- a) The addition should take place only at the last moment, before bottling.
- b) The dose used shall be less than or equal to 10 g/hl.
- c) The duration of protection depends on the storage temperature of the wine, because the acid in question hydrolyses slowly in the cold, but rapidly under hot conditions.
- d) The metatartaric acid shall comply with the prescriptions of the *International Oenological Codex*.

*Recommendation of the OIV:*

Accepted.

