INTERNATIONAL CODE OF OENOLOGICAL PRACTICES

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II.2.1.4 Use of enzymes for the clarification

Classification:

• Arabinanases : processing aid

• Cellulases: processing aid

• Pectinlyases : processing aid

• Pectinemethylesterase : processing aid

• Polygalacturonases : processing aid

Hemicellulases: processing aid

Definition:

Addition to must of enzymatic preparations containing activities catalysing the degradation of grape macromolecules which went into the must during the juice extraction operations, as well as beta-glucans produced by the fungus Botrytis cinerea.

Enzyme activities involved in the clarification of musts notably include polygalacturonases, pectinlyases, pectinmethylesterases, and to a lesser extent arabinanases, rhamnogalacturonases, cellulases and hemicellulases as well as uglucanases if the musts come from botrytised grapes.

Objective:

To facilitate the clarification of musts.

Prescription:

The enzymes used must comply with the prescriptions of the International Oenological Codex.

Recommendation of OIV:

Admitted

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