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Review of the definition of infectious substance and the table in 2.6.3.2.2.1 – Revision of 2018/26

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Introduction

1. This informal paper is proposing changes to the 20^{th} revised edition of the Model Regulations.

Proposal

2. Amend sub-section 2.6.1 (b) and paragraph 2.6.3.1 as follows, with deleted text in strikethrough:

"These are substances known or reasonably expected to contain pathogens. Pathogens are defined as microorganisms (including bacteria, viruses, rickettsiae, parasites, fungi) and other agents such as prions, which can cause disease in humans or animals."

3. Amend paragraph 2.6.3.2.2.2 Note 3 as follows, with deleted text in strikethrough:

"In the following table, the microorganisms written in italics are bacteria; mycoplasmas, rickettsia or fungi."