II.2.1.3.2.1 Physical de-acidification

Definition :

Reduction of the total acidity by the application of physical procedures.

Objectives :

To produce wines:

a) See II.2.1.3.2 'De-acidification'

b) Stable with regard to precipitation of excess potassium bitartrate and calcium tartrate.

Prescriptions :

The potassium bitartrate and calcium tartrate precipitation occurs:

a) Either spontaneously during storage of the must at low temperature, or

b) As the result of chilling the must (see Cold treatment(**)[1])

Recommendation of the OIV :

Admitted

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[1] ** indicate that the production conditions are being studied