

Lesotho - Foot and mouth disease virus (Inf. with) - Immediate notification

GENERAL INFORMATION

COUNTRY/TERRITORY OR ZONE ZONE	ANIMAL TYPE TERRESTRIAL	DISEASE CATEGORY Listed disease	EVENT ID 7428
DISEASE Foot and mouth disease virus (Inf. with)	CAUSAL AGENT Foot and mouth disease virus	GENOTYPE / SEROTYPE / SUBTYPE Pending	START DATE 2026/04/02
REASON FOR NOTIFICATION First occurrence in a zone or a compartment	DATE OF LAST OCCURRENCE -	CONFIRMATION DATE 2026/04/08	EVENT STATUS On-going
END DATE -	SELF-DECLARATION NO		

REPORT INFORMATION

REPORT NUMBER Immediate notification	REPORT ID IN_182188	REPORT REFERENCE -	REPORT DATE 2026/04/08
REPORT STATUS Validated	NO EVOLUTION REPORT -		

EPIDEMIOLOGY

SOURCE OF EVENT OR ORIGIN OF INFECTION

- Illegal movement of animals

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL COMMENTS

Cattle exhibiting lameness were reported to the veterinary authorities on 2 April 2026. An investigation was conducted by the field team on 3 April 2026. Clinical history revealed that the animals had been illegally moved by the farmer from Qacha's Nek, where there is an ongoing outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD), to Mohale's Hoek.

QUANTITATIVE DATA SUMMARY

MEASURING UNIT

Animal

Species		Susceptible	Cases	Deaths	Killed and Disposed of	Slaughtered/ Killed for commercial use	Vaccinated
cattle (domestic)	NEW	29	2	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	29	2	0	0	0	0

DIAGNOSTIC DETAILS

CLINICAL SIGNS

YES

METHOD OF DIAGNOSTIC

Clinical,
Diagnostic test

Test name	Laboratory	Species sampled	Number of outbreaks sampled	First result date	Latest result date	Result
ELISA for the detection of antibodies against non-structural proteins (NSP ELISA)	Maseru Central Veterinary Laboratory	Cattle	1	2026/04/08	2026/04/08	Positive

CONTROL MEASURES

CONTROL MEASURES AT EVENT LEVEL

Movement control

Quarantine

Screening

Surveillance outside the restricted zone

Surveillance within the restricted zone

Surveillance without restriction zone

Traceability

DOMESTIC ANIMALS

Applied

Applied

Applied

Applied

Applied

Applied

Applied

WILD ANIMALS

NEW OUTBREAKS

OB_186099 - QABANE,HA WALATSA

OUTBREAK REFERENCE	START DATE	END DATE	DETAILED CHARACTERISATION
-	2026/04/02	-	-

FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION	SECOND ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION	THIRD ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION	EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UNIT
Mohale's Hoek	-	-	Village

LOCATION	Latitude, Longitude	OUTBREAKS IN CLUSTER	Measuring unit
Qabane,Ha Walatsa	-29.9943 , 28.1035	-	Animal

AFFECTED POPULATION DESCRIPTION

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cattle (domestic)	NEW	29	2	0	0	0
	TOTAL	29	2	0	0	0

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Diagnostic test

CONTROL MEASURES DIFFERENT FROM EVENT LEVEL

MEASURES NOT IMPLEMENTED

ADDITIONAL MEASURES

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