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12.2.6 Weaving Poles

An even number of vertical poles secured in a straight line. The distance between one pole and the next is 600mm (measured from centre to centre). ~~Minimum~~ Height of poles 900mm. Base supports **are required at each pole extended outward from the weave base and must be placed on the opposite side to** where the dog would ~~not~~ normally put its feet. Note for weaving pole sets manufactured prior to 1 February 2009, the distance between poles may be measured as the distance between the outside edge of one pole and the inside edge of the next pole **until 1 July 2021 when the centre to centre measurement must be met.**

New weave sets manufactured from 1 July 2020 onward must have poles which measure a nominal 26mm outside diameter (21mm inside diameter). The support for the poles must fit snugly inside the poles and must rise above the base between 140mm and 150mm to provide rigidity to the pole.

The base must be either 75mm wide, 5mm thick with base supports 200mm long, or 50mm wide and 5mm thick with 250mm long base supports.

Base support lengths are measured from the outside edge of the weave base where they are attached.

Where pegging of the weave is possible ALL base supports must be pegged to avoid twisting of the base.

It is recommended that the flat base be rubber chipped.

The poles shall have bands, stripes or spirals of contrasting colour throughout its length. It is recommended that these bands shall be formed either by painting or by using heatshrink.

All weave sets must meet all above regulation requirements by 1 July 2021 in order to be used in competition after this date.

12.3.1 Dog Walk

Height ~~1m minimum, 1.0m maximum~~; Width 300mm; - length of ramps, ~~2.4m minimum, 3m maximum~~ **3.60m**, - length of middle section **3.60m** ~~3.65 minimum, 4.3m maximum~~. The ramps are to have non-slip surface ~~and slats at intervals and to be firmly fixed to top of planks. There must be no slats within 150mm at the top of the contact area.~~ Both ramps are to be marked with a line 1m from ground, below this line to be known as the "contact area". **Dogwalk ramps may require additional support to ensure that they do not flex excessively.**

Dog-walks manufactured after 1 July 2020 must meet all above regulation requirements.

Exemptions may be given where the centre plank of an existing dogwalk is close to the new regulation. Exemptions must be applied for in writing to the Agility Committee with all details and photos supplied.

All existing dogwalks must meet the new height requirement by 1 January 2022

All dogwalks used in competition must meet all of the above dimensions by 1 January 2024

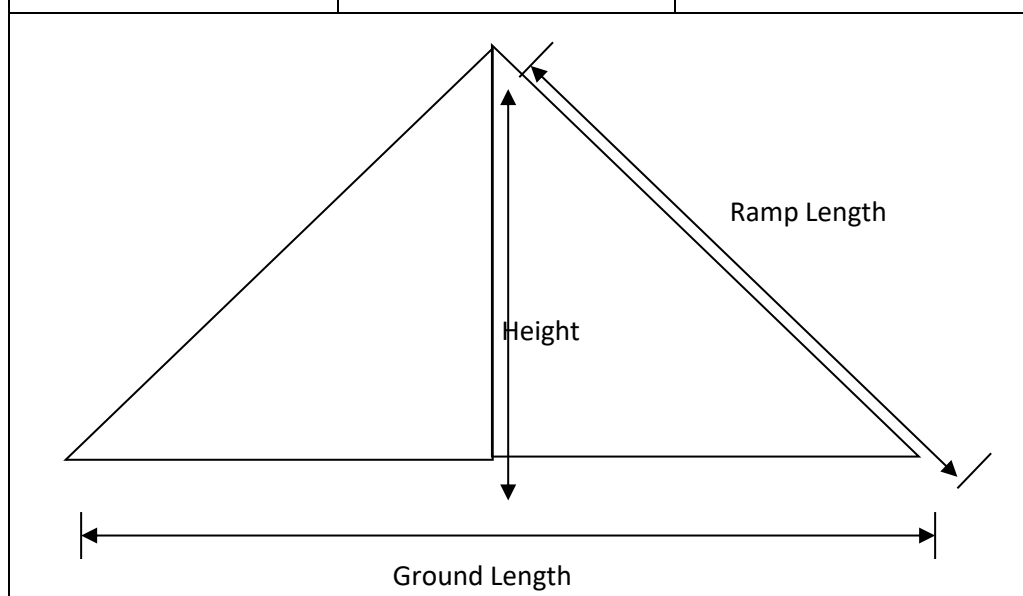
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12.3.2 A-frame

Length of each ramp 2.75m ~~minimum, 2.9m maximum~~; Width 900mm ~~minimum~~. The height at the apex of the Aframe is to be 1.65m. Two ramps hinged at apex, with no gap between the ramps, which is not otherwise completely filled by the hinging mechanism or a firmly affixed insert. Surface of ramps to be non-slip ~~and slatted at intervals not exceeding 380mm~~ and marked with a line 1070mm from the ground up the angle of the ramp. The area below the line to be known as the "contact area". The base of the ramp must commence at ground surface. ~~There must be no slats within 150mm of the top of the contact area. See table below for a guide to height versus ramp length to achieve the 39 degree angle required.~~

See the table below which shows the new height and ground length of the existing variation of Aframe ramps to ensure that they are at the same angle as the new regulation ramps until the variation is phased out.

<u>Ramp length (mm)</u>	<u>A-frame height (mm)</u>	<u>Ground length (mm)</u>
2750	1730 1650	4275 4400
2800	1760 1680	4350 4480
2850	1795 1710	4430 4560
2900	1825 1740	4510 4640



The diagram illustrates an A-frame structure. It shows a triangle with a vertical line from the apex to the base, labeled 'Height'. The horizontal distance from the base to the apex is labeled 'Ground Length'. The slanted side of the triangle is labeled 'Ramp Length'. Arrows indicate the direction of measurement for each dimension.

Aframes manufactured after 1 July 2020 must meet all above regulation requirements.

All existing A-frames must be altered to the new angles and heights by 1 January 2021.

Exemptions may be given where the ramps of an existing Aframes are close to the new regulation. Exemptions must be applied for in writing to the Agility Committee with all details and photos supplied.

All Aframes used in competition must meet all of the above dimensions by 1 January 2024

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12.3.3 Crossover Ramp

Height 1-1.2m; Table 750-800mm squared; Ramps 2.4-3m long, 300mm wide, non-slip surface, contact points 1m from ground. ~~The surface of the ramps are to be slatted at intervals not exceeding 380mm. There must be no slats within 150mm of the top of the contact area.~~

12.3.4 Slats

There are to be no slats on new contact equipment manufactured after 1 July 2020. Slats on existing dog walks, crossovers and A frames: slats must be a maximum of 20mm wide and 10mm high and be fixed horizontally. Slats of rigid construction shall have no sharp edges. All slats must be removed from existing contact equipment by 1 January 2024

12.4.2 See-Saw

Width 300mm; Length ~~3.60m~~ 3.65m minimum, 4.3m maximum; Height ~~to top of plank~~ at central bracket ~~with plank horizontal~~ 500mm ~~600mm minimum, 700mm maximum~~. A plank with a non-slip surface (without slats) is to be firmly mounted on a central bracket and marked with a line 1m from the ground, below this to be known as the "contact area". The time for the end of the see-saw to touch the ground must be not less than 1 second or more than 3 seconds when a 1.5kg weight is placed 300mm from the end of the ramp while it is in the up position.

See-saws manufactured after 1 July 2020 must meet all above regulation requirements

Exemptions may be given where the plank of an existing seesaw is close to the new regulation. Exemptions must be applied for in writing to the Agility Committee with all details and photos supplied.

Existing seesaws must meet the new height requirement by 1 January 2022.

All seesaws used in competition must meet all of the above dimensions by 1 January 2024

12.6 Optional Equipment Approved for Use in **Novice**, Intermediate and Senior Classes

13.8.2 Dog Walk

The dog must ascend the ramp in the direction designated by the judge, ~~touch the contact area with any part of its body~~, cross the horizontal middle ramp, and descend the other ramp, touch any portion of the contact point with any part of its body, before leaving the obstacle. The performance of the obstacle will be considered complete when all four paws touch the ground. A refusal must be corrected before continuing or the dog will be disqualified

Faults

- ~~• If the dog does not touch the up-contact point with any part of its body, a missed contact fault will be incurred.~~
- Once a dog touches the down ramp with any part of its body, if it leaves the ramp before touching the contact point, it will be assessed a missed contact fault, *not* a refusal.
- If the dog does not touch the down contact point with any part of its body, a missed contact fault will be incurred.

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15.1.2 **Grade B**

15.1.2.1 **Eligibility to Enter**

Open to all dogs that have met the graduation criteria as detailed in 15.2.1 below and not yet met the graduation criteria as detailed in 15.2.2.

15.1.2.2 **Obstacles**

Standard obstacles defined in clauses 12.2 and 12.6 to be used. However, no weaves are to be used in Jumpers classes.