Q1 It is proposed that the regulations be changed to state “The competitor must not start until the judge indicates they may begin.” In many countries there is a formal start procedure and a judge must indicate to a competitor when they may start, either verbally or with a gesture. It is proposed the penalty for starting before the judge indicates, is DQ. The benefit of this is to ensure both competitors and judges will have a common understanding of the start procedure, and this should also reduce time wasting at the start. Do you think Judges in NZ should indicate to competitors when they are ready for you to start?

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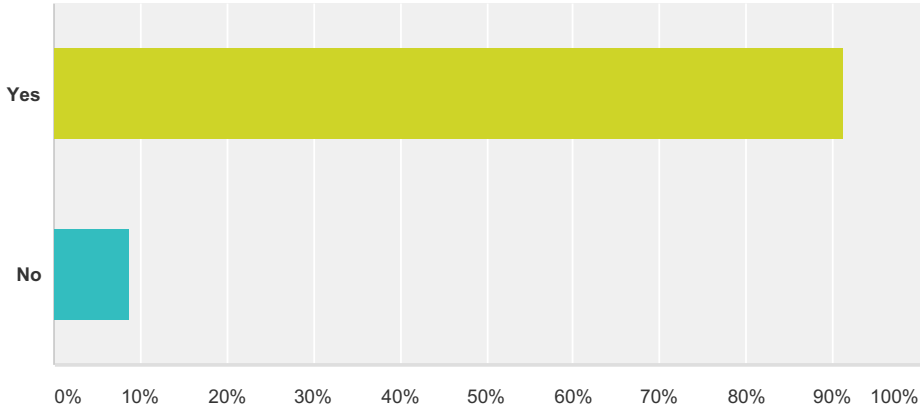

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Q2 How should they indicate? Verbal, Gesture or other?

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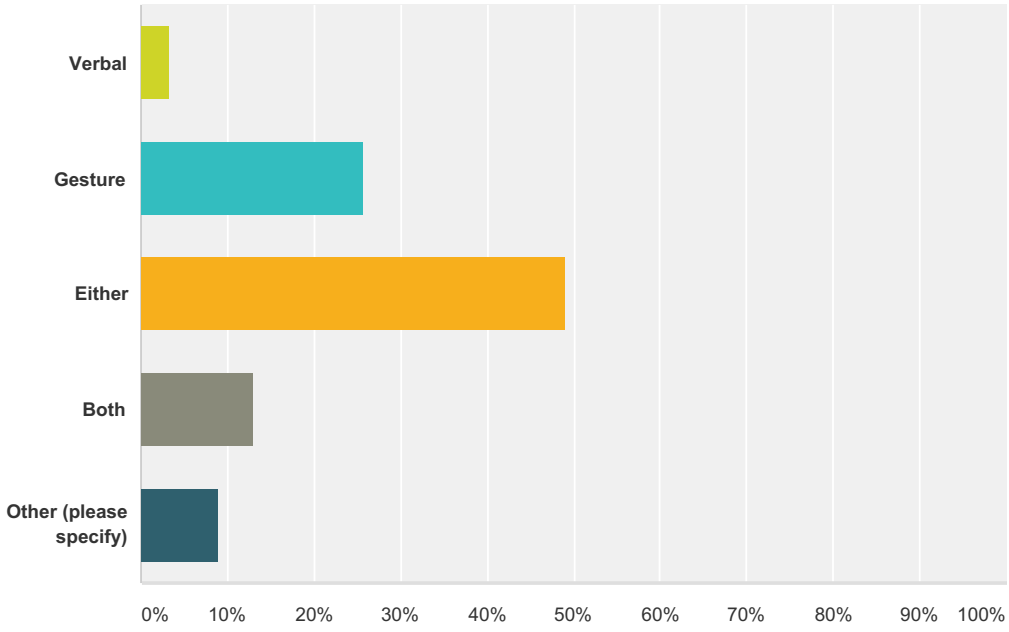

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Verbal	**3.35%**	9
Gesture	**25.65%**	69
Either	**49.07%**	132
Both	**13.01%**	35
Other (please specify)	**8.92%**	24
Total		**269**

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	I think each judge should have their way own of indicating as it may vary depending on what they naturally do and where they happen to be on the course when the next competitor is ready and waiting.	2/16/2016 2:06 PM
2	I think they already do by standing and staring at you. If there needs to be something more official, then a gesture.	2/16/2016 10:12 AM
3	Maybe a sign they hold in their hand and display to competitor when ready	2/15/2016 6:51 AM
4	Following many years competing in show jumping, dressage etc it is typical to have confirmation to commence. Avoids any confusion.	2/10/2016 4:49 AM
5	And note It has been received by the Handler.	2/9/2016 12:56 PM
6	Lets not be as formal as Australia - a quick thumbs up or "Go" from the judge is adequate.	2/9/2016 9:18 AM
7	whatever it is it should be consistent between judges eg verbal or gesture	2/8/2016 8:54 PM
8	Buzzer	2/6/2016 6:10 AM
9	As long as it is consistent through the whole of the class being run and is clear.	2/5/2016 1:07 PM
10	I have no preference but judges should be able to make the decision for each competitors so competitors do not get dqd by misunderstanding the indication.	2/1/2016 5:30 PM
11	Judges should generally be ready for the next dog but if they need to do somethign on the course that will take thier focus away then they shoudl indcate to the handler before doing so	2/1/2016 1:11 PM

12	A nod of the head should suffice. However, a competitor should be aware of where the judge stands to start a run and have a look before they place the dog. This is when a simple not from the judge would do.	2/1/2016 10:58 AM
13	I think this would take more time rather than solve any time wasting issue. If a compeditor starts before the judge is ready they should be DQ. If the judge isnt looking at them that means they are not ready	2/1/2016 8:57 AM
14	Many competitors have poor sight or hearing, and bad weather can make signals indistinct. This needs to be taken into account.	1/31/2016 7:42 PM
15	standing still and looking at the competitor. A verbal/gesture cue may get very tiring for the judges in a big class.	1/29/2016 6:09 PM
16	Clear verbal indication but DQ for early start is too harsh, should be 5 faults	1/29/2016 6:00 PM
17	a nod would be enough	1/29/2016 5:48 PM
18	no	1/29/2016 2:54 PM
19	any of the above or a look or nod	1/29/2016 2:51 PM
20	Either as long as it is communicated to handlers at coursewalk prior to course running	1/29/2016 8:49 AM
21	would slow down the show.	1/29/2016 6:13 AM
22	Here in Canada there is a pre recorded voice that says go on the electronic timing gear. If this isn't able to be done then my option is either gesture or verbal.	1/29/2016 12:15 AM
23	verbal, gesture or a nod	1/28/2016 10:19 PM
24	don't think they should have to	1/28/2016 9:31 PM

Q3 When should judges start to judge REFUSALS? It is proposed that refusals are judged from when the dog moves from its start position. Benefit:- Competitors and judges will have a common understanding of when refusals can be given and this should reduce time wasting at the start. Do you agree?

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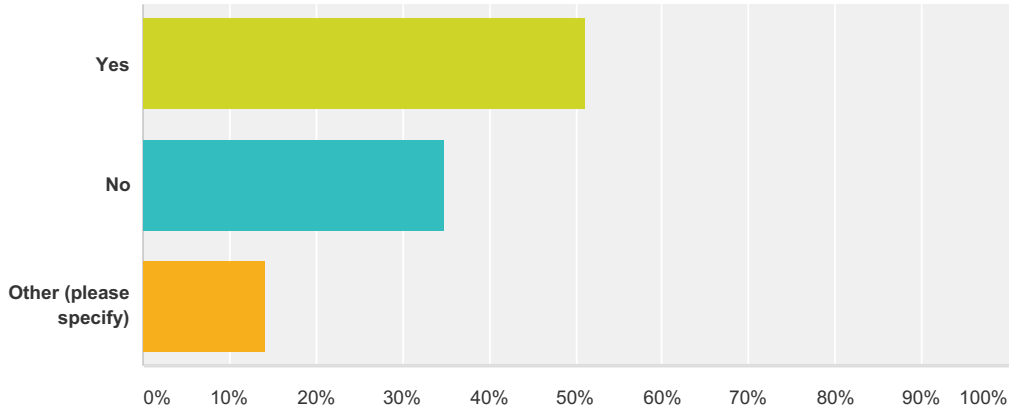

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Yes	**51.09%**	141
No	**34.78%**	96
Other (please specify)	**14.13%**	39
Total		**276**

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	I think refusals for the first obstacle should be judged exactly the same way as any other obstacle refusal on the course.	2/16/2016 2:06 PM
2	From when the dog goes past the first obstacle.	2/16/2016 10:12 AM
3	only if dog passes first obstacle	2/15/2016 5:58 PM
4	The point at which the dog attempts the first obstacle	2/11/2016 8:03 PM
5	i think they should get a refusal for moving from the start line only the second time, and another fault the third time, then a DQ.	2/10/2016 7:14 PM
6	Dog puts its head past the first obstacle	2/10/2016 11:46 AM
7	This is confusing to me in relation to question 5	2/10/2016 4:49 AM
8	I find this question unclear. What do you mean? Clarify the question.	2/9/2016 10:11 AM
9	There would still be some area for dispute over defining a specific dog's start position - what about the dogs that are not left in a start position? However if this can be mitigated then I am in agreeance with the proposal.	2/9/2016 8:52 AM
10	No - New dogs need to have startlines reinforced so unless handler has gone past first jump, you should be able to put dog back into position.	2/8/2016 8:54 PM
11	Clarification? Does this mean if a dog breaks its leadout and the handler then commands the dog to 'wait' that this would be a refusal?	2/5/2016 7:42 PM
12	not sure. need more clarity	2/5/2016 2:32 PM

13	Yes the judge should award refusals within 1-2 meters of the first jump if the dog has moved and the handler resets the dog either by physically or verbally resetting.	2/5/2016 1:07 PM
14	dont understand - is this at the start line????	2/4/2016 1:04 PM
15	I think this needs to be carefully defined - ie if a dog sits and a handler repositions the dog while dog is still on lead under a straight yes would be a refusal as defined above or if the dog shuffles forward with no reset from the handler. I think if this is changed it should be to catch the more extremes not the little things eg the handler that goes back to their dog multiple times - perhaps saying once the handler has left their dog they cannot touch their dog again and may reset their dog once before calling a refusal- may be a case where rule is easier at lower levels	2/4/2016 10:34 AM
16	not sure	2/3/2016 7:08 PM
17	Refusals should be judged when the handler clearly gives a signal for the dog to start	2/2/2016 10:28 PM
18	Technically a dog "moves from its position" when breaking a lead out - so those that creep and then stop before the handler has indicated they may break their position could be construed as a refusal? IMO a refusal should be judged when the dog goes around the timers.	2/2/2016 4:57 PM
19	However needs to be more definition around, moves from start position, if a dog stands if it's been lying down, I don't believe a refusal should be given.	2/1/2016 9:00 PM
20	a dog start position is too subjective to be able to regulate. Refusals should begin to be judged when entering the ring.	2/1/2016 5:30 PM
21	Don't agree. Dogs could be metres away from the jump so why apply refusals just because it got up.	2/1/2016 1:11 PM
22	If competitor has already checked that judge is ready, then dog should be placed, with maybe a reinforcement command. Possibly we should say that the once the handler has gone past the timers, they can not go back to the dog, but could signal for the dog to stay, etc. As far as refusals, this is getting silly. A refusal is not taking the obstacle and that's where it should stay whether it is the first of last obstacle.	2/1/2016 10:58 AM
23	For the upper grades this could apply, but for Jumpers C, Starters and Elementary it should be after the dog has taken the first obstacle. How encouraging is it for our new members if they have refusals against them before they even start?	2/1/2016 8:24 AM
24	Any refusals should be judged once a dog is through start timer or if they go past the line of the starters without completing the first obstacle	1/31/2016 6:33 PM
25	No. Current regs sufficient.	1/31/2016 5:30 PM
26	No refusal if dog breaks its wait at the start, providing the dog has not gone past the first obstacle?	1/31/2016 3:34 PM
27	penalties before start seems harsh and unhelpful for beginner dogs.	1/29/2016 2:51 PM
28	This could become very vague - how would a creeping dog be judged. Reckon a refusal should be given only if the dog passes the line of the timers.	1/29/2016 1:15 PM
29	i dont know	1/29/2016 1:13 PM
30	Only a refusal if dog passes the first obastacle and the dog is reset	1/29/2016 10:19 AM
31	no, refusal from when dog reaches plane of first obstacle. Question not entirely clear.	1/29/2016 8:49 AM
32	Agree - but you need to define start position	1/29/2016 8:04 AM
33	The rules on judging refusals are clear enough - whether it be the first obstacle or any other on the course.	1/29/2016 7:50 AM
34	this needs more thought. Sometimes a dog will move from a sit to a stand and shuffle around from where the handler left it - will this be deemed a move from its start position?	1/29/2016 7:38 AM
35	If it moves or goes past the jump and they re-position then yes, refusal.	1/29/2016 7:09 AM
36	I think you would need to clarify what start position is, i.e. is it when the dog has gone into sit, or when the handler walks away, or when the handler has moved past the first obstacle, what if it's a stressy dog who has a start line routine of sitting, downing, walking backwards, then finally sitting, while the handler is walking away.....Personally I think there is more clarity with a rule like "once the handler has moved past the first obstacle the dog is considered to be in their 'start position'", and perhaps then start judging?	1/28/2016 10:20 PM
37	I agree that having a rule about when to start judging faults is a good thing but I think it should start once the dog passes the timers. I think this rule would unfairly penalise new handlers and young dogs and (speaking personally) dogs that stress out on the start line, I want to be able to reassure her that terrible things aren't about to happen.	1/28/2016 10:10 PM
38	Not sure how this is different to whatever the current rule is?	1/28/2016 9:38 PM
39	I would say yes, but how to you determine what the start position is?	1/28/2016 9:31 PM

Q4 When should judges start to judge FAULTS? It is proposed that faults are judged from when either :-The handler reaches the first obstacle or the dog moves from its start position. Benefit:- Competitors and judges will have a common understanding of when faults can be given and this should reduce time wasting at the start. Do you agree?

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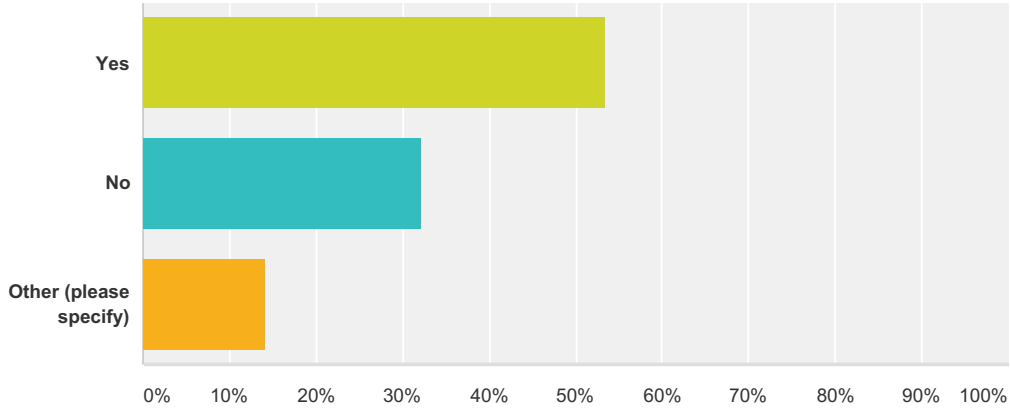

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Yes	**53.48%**	146
No	**32.23%**	88
Other (please specify)	**14.29%**	39
Total		**273**

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	From when the first obstacle is faulted as per current regs.	2/16/2016 10:12 AM
2	Again only if above. I see it as PASSING first obstacle.	2/15/2016 5:58 PM
3	What defines 'when the dog moves from his start position'? Is this if he moves a foot, suffles along the ground, takes a step? I think this needs defining further before we can answer the question.	2/14/2016 3:15 PM
4	The point at which the dog attempts the first obstacle	2/11/2016 8:03 PM
5	This seems confusing to me in relation to question 5	2/10/2016 4:49 AM
6	Happy with faults from where handler reaches first obstacle. Fault from dog moving is very subjective - move a foot, move all feet etc.	2/9/2016 3:15 PM
7	question is confusing	2/9/2016 9:11 AM
8	as above.	2/9/2016 8:52 AM
9	Faults should only happen once handler PAST first jump.	2/8/2016 8:54 PM
10	Not sure about this	2/5/2016 7:42 PM
11	once again is this referring to the start line????	2/4/2016 1:04 PM
12	not sure how this differs from above in that if a jump is knocked surely it is already a fault- again I think need to define what is meant by a dog moving from the start position eg a dog that stands up from a sit - earns a refusal as compared to a dog that does a wander which should be a refusal	2/4/2016 10:34 AM

13	Once dog or handler moves past the refusal plane of th first obstacle. How on earth do you know what the dogs start position is in some cases?	2/3/2016 2:31 PM
14	Faults should be judged from when dog reaches first set of timers	2/2/2016 10:28 PM
15	See above. More or less the same question - the first obstacle is usually a jump, so it is either refused or a rail is dropped (faulted). There is currently no ambiguity over a fault. Likewise if the first obstacle is a contact obstacle - did the dog get the contact, yes or no? No ambiguity. There is only ambiguity over refusals, therefore refer to comment above	2/2/2016 4:57 PM
16	I would hate a dog to be given faults for breaking its position on the start line, unless it takes an obstacle, leaves the ring or moves past the first obstacle.	2/1/2016 9:00 PM
17	faults should begin being judged when entering the ring.	2/1/2016 5:30 PM
18	Judging should start as soon as the dog or handler enters the course ie goes past the first onstacle. Quite clear to judges and competitiors alike and the first obstacle gives a clear "line in the sand"	2/1/2016 1:11 PM
19	When the dog triggers the starting time clock - anything before that point should be ignored	2/1/2016 12:56 PM
20	These rules could apply in the higher classes but we should be understanding of new dogs and handlers in the beginning grades. Being able to correct behaviours at the lower grades would mean better routines as the dogs progress into the higher classes. Faults should be judged from when the dog moves from its start position in the upper grades.	2/1/2016 8:24 AM
21	Refusals should be judged once through either the start timers one when they go past the line of the starters	1/31/2016 6:33 PM
22	No. Current regs sufficient.	1/31/2016 5:30 PM
23	Agree, providing no fault for resetting the dog's wait at start line, as long as dog hasnt gone past, or taken the first obstacle.	1/31/2016 3:34 PM
24	I am not sure what is being called a fault. If a dog knocked a jump it would be a fault no matter where the handler is.	1/29/2016 8:35 PM
25	Once the dog has started the timers	1/29/2016 4:38 PM
26	Does moving from the start position include moving all 4 legs, 1 leg, standing from a sit? Too wishy washy. Def 5F if handler goes back and handles dog.	1/29/2016 1:15 PM
27	I dont know	1/29/2016 1:13 PM
28	Basically agree but think Nov/Starter dogs could be treated more leniently.	1/29/2016 10:46 AM
29	No, same as refusales, when dog reaches firs obstacle	1/29/2016 8:49 AM
30	Judging should start when a handler enters the ring and then refusals or faults are given as per the current regulations.	1/29/2016 7:50 AM
31	please consider faults being judged from when the dog passes through the timers at the start	1/29/2016 7:38 AM
32	I like the idea of "when the handler reaches first obstacle"	1/29/2016 7:37 AM
33	Once the handler has moved passed the first obstacle	1/29/2016 7:12 AM
34	as soon as the dog is over or though the first obstacle. Not before hand.	1/29/2016 6:00 AM
35	When handler or dog reaches first obstacle	1/28/2016 10:58 PM
36	Yes agree, but again, "start position" needs to be clarified but is probably a bit different for every dog. I just don't want to see stressy dogs penalised because we haven't been considerate of their special focus-related needs at the start line. Personally I would say that the handler needs to have moved past the first obstacle before faults should be judged.	1/28/2016 10:20 PM
37	As per my note above. Judging from the start position isn't fair. Judge from dog reaching first obstacle/timers	1/28/2016 10:10 PM
38	Handler reaches the first obstacle: yes. When the dog moves: no, as a lot of dogs left in standing will move	1/28/2016 9:50 PM
39	Again... what would change exactly?	1/28/2016 9:38 PM

Q5 Handlers going back to their dogs.In a lead-out situation, a handler may go back to their dog many times to reset the dog. This can waste a lot of time, and often the dog is allowed to continue when it breaks, so it isn't good training either. When a handler goes back to their dog, some will touch the dog and others will not. Penalties vary from judge to judge. It is proposed that a competitor that leads out past the first jump and goes back to the dog will receive no penalty, unless they touch the dog. However they can only do this once. If they go back to their dog a second time they will be DQ. Do you agree with this?

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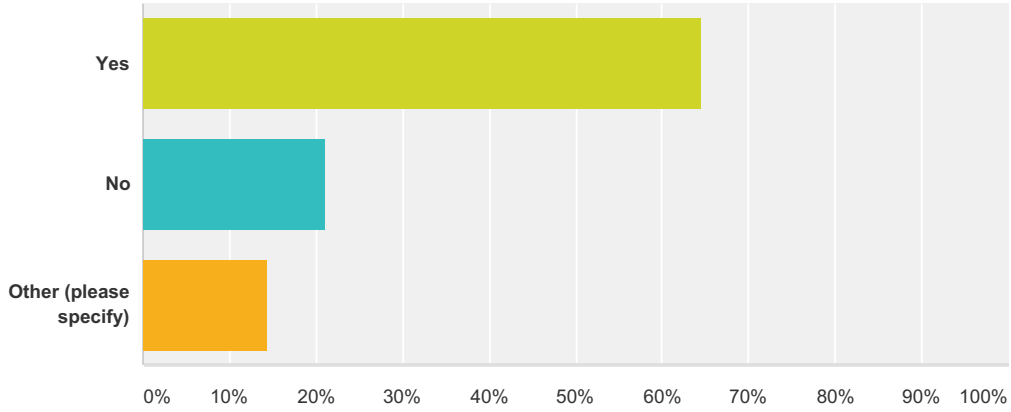

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Yes	**64.49%**	178
No	**21.01%**	58
Other (please specify)	**14.49%**	40
Total		**276**

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Too hard to regulate. If they touch the dog once going passed 1st obs - 5fts. Any everytime after that.	2/15/2016 5:58 PM
2	I think you should only be allowed to go back once, but that you should be able to touch the dog	2/14/2016 3:15 PM
3	It would be good if a handler can give the dog a pat, but only once, to reward the dog. Wait can be very hard to teach.	2/11/2016 7:16 PM
4	Faulted, but not DQ on second return.	2/9/2016 9:46 PM
5	Fault each return past first obstacle - whether touch dog or not. Amounts to training in the ring, however DQ is too severe.	2/9/2016 12:56 PM
6	If handler goes past first jump and then goes back to dog it should just be a fault not DQ	2/8/2016 8:54 PM
7	Good idea but definition of 'going back to the dog' would need to be clear eg right back, halfway back, a few paces away?	2/5/2016 7:42 PM

8	I do not agree. This only encourages lead out breaking as handlers will allow the dog to continue without ever correcting: it is the handler's choice but most people will want to have a chance at a crc, they've paid their money. However, I do think a handler should be faulted if they touch their dog when they return to it. At what point is it deemed a return - once handler has gone past first obstacle? Taken 1, 2 or 3 steps away from the dog? Allow perhaps only 2 returns and 3rd DQd? Keeping it consistent with refusal judging, although not accruing faults for the first two resets.	2/2/2016 4:57 PM
9	I think this will encourage handlers whose dogs don't have good lead out, to not ask their dogs for a wait.	2/1/2016 9:00 PM
10	Once the competitor goes pass the first jump then goes back pass to the dog then it should be 5 faults.	2/1/2016 6:39 PM
11	Judges should decide as "lead outs" are not easily defined.	2/1/2016 5:30 PM
12	There are so many cases of bad training behaviours on the course so why pick on one at the start. If the handler leads out and returns to the dog because it has broken then no penalty unless the dog is touched. Resetting the dog is good trainign behaviour which should in the long term reduce delays at the start.	2/1/2016 1:11 PM
13	Beginning classes should be permitted to go back and reset their dogs, including touching them, once only. The upper grades should be permitted to go back and reset without touching but only once. Any additional contact or resetting should be a refusal (or same penalty as touching the dog on the course) NOT DQ, because this will not speed up the starts as handlers are still entitled to run their dogs over the course and they will just use it as a training session thus slowing up the running of the event.	2/1/2016 8:24 AM
14	No. Current regs sufficient.	1/31/2016 5:30 PM
15	Agree, providing the penalty is for intentionally touching the dog, not if the dog jumps at the handler.	1/31/2016 3:34 PM
16	I would rather see this as 5 faults	1/30/2016 5:53 PM
17	should be DQ first time	1/30/2016 5:33 PM
18	I agree with only allowed to go back to your dog once but think you should be allowed to touch the dog as for many people it is part of their 'set up' procedure	1/30/2016 5:55 AM
19	I don't think they should be DQ. Maybe a fault would be better. Also what about handlers that that don't go back to their dogs but stay on the other side the first jump calling back to their dogs to stay and so waste time	1/29/2016 8:35 PM
20	On returning to the dog, handler should be able to touch dog to reset it - once only - after that DQ	1/29/2016 5:32 PM
21	I feel a fault is required for the time wasting if the handler returns a second time. Possibly stating a time penalty to start may reduce this also, say once the dog is put in position to start the handler must start within 5 seconds.	1/29/2016 4:11 PM
22	Agree for higher classes but not for JC, Starters or Novice.	1/29/2016 3:39 PM
23	at least allow one free reset with owner allowed to manually reset their dog	1/29/2016 2:51 PM
24	Once the handler passes the first obstacles they cannot reset their dog, a 5 fault penalty	1/29/2016 1:54 PM
25	faulted not DQ	1/29/2016 12:24 PM
26	Once a handler passes the first jump if they then go back to their dog it should be a penalty regardless of whether they touch the dog or not.	1/29/2016 11:58 AM
27	Perhaps not a DQ but a penatly for the second re-visit?	1/29/2016 10:22 AM
28	The issue of when a handler "goes back to their dog" needs clarified. Is it when they make their first step back to the dog, or when they reach the dog? How do you judge reach the dog if they do not touch them? How do you call an incident where a handler leads out, resets the dog by touching it once, leads out again, then realises they are in the wrong spot and steps diagonally towards the dog to regain their optimal position. I think touching the dog twice should be a DQ	1/29/2016 10:19 AM
29	Second time back fault it, 3rd time DQ	1/29/2016 8:49 AM
30	Agree, however in Starters/Jumpers C handlers should be allowed to touch their dogs	1/29/2016 8:07 AM
31	I agree with the principle of reducing time wasting but the judge is not there to judge someones training. I think that crossing the timers at the start is a very clear point of when judging should start	1/29/2016 7:38 AM
32	5 faults every time handler touches dog	1/29/2016 7:33 AM
33	Not sure. This could result in a lot of newbies being DQ	1/29/2016 6:43 AM
34	second time should be 5 faults only any more than 2 times Yes then DQ	1/29/2016 6:00 AM

35	In combination with Q1, once the judge has signalled they are ready and the handler has left their dog, that should be the start of their run. With electronic timing, the handler gets no time penalty for going back to their dog so a handler whose dog can do a good start line ends up potentially losing to a dog that needed the handler to return to them. Agility should involve both control and speed and a poor start line suggests poor control. I would rather see a handler disqualified for effectively doing a 2nd start - ie, they are not allowed to return even once. Alternatively, 5 faults for returning once, and DQ for returning twice. Another option is to penalise more heavily at higher levels and be more accommodating for Starters dogs	1/28/2016 10:33 PM
36	I agree with this rule for Int/Sen/JA dogs, but for Sta/Nov/JC dogs I think that an opportunity needs to be available for them to work through any start line issues. For new competitors, going back a second time should be allowed....but how do you distinguish a new competitor...so maybe you would have to stick with the 'only once' rule....	1/28/2016 10:20 PM
37	As someone who has struggled to help her dog generalise a behaviour to the ring - I think some training should be allowed in the ring -- even if it's only at the lower levels.	1/28/2016 10:10 PM
38	There should be faults applied each time the handler touches the dog but not a DQ. We should not be DQ a run because a handler has gone back more than once - thats each persons individual decision on how they train their dog - not something the AC should be interfering with	1/28/2016 10:01 PM
39	Yes, but second time should be faulted, not DQ	1/28/2016 9:50 PM
40	Why be allowed to go back once, but not touch? If you can go back, and inadvertently your dog touches you when you realign it you will be penalised (maybe) so this is still a grey area, and to what benefit? may as well be allowed to touch once if you can go back once	1/28/2016 9:38 PM

Q6 Up contacts. It is felt by many that the judging of the up contact is nothing less than stride discrimination. There is also concern that, for certain breeds, having to break stride pattern to ensure getting the up contact, could cause impact injuries. Overseas examples show that some countries judge the up contacts and some do not. In NZ these are judged and a dog may be required by its handler to slow/pause in order to shorten its stride to get the up contact. Some people think making certain breeds/type of dog (eg. long-legged dogs) perform the up contact is a safety issue. Do you think this is a safety issue?

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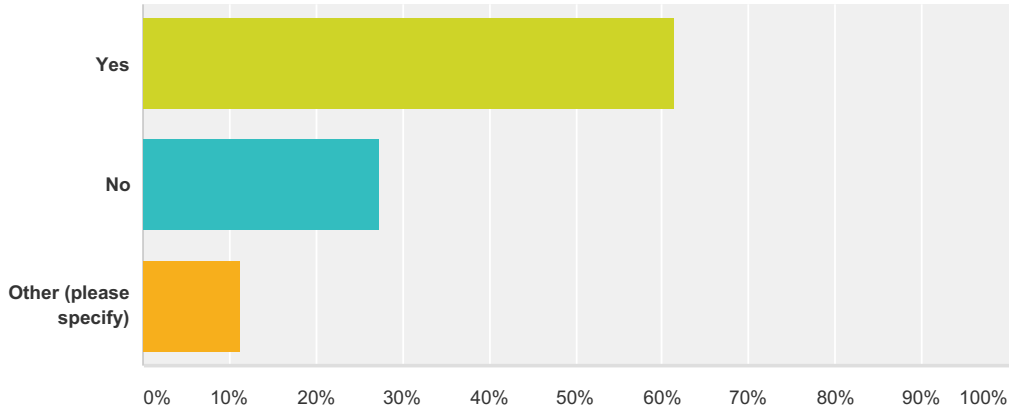

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Yes	**61.45%**	169
No	**27.27%**	75
Other (please specify)	**11.27%**	31
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#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	I think it could be a safety issue with the dog walk depending on the approach angle, more so than the Aframe, so some education on the judges part could be required to make sure approach lines are indeed safe.	2/17/2016 6:27 PM
2	I do not feel qualified to judge if it is a safety issue	2/15/2016 8:15 PM
3	I don't think it is safety issue but it is unfair and up contact should not be judged	2/15/2016 6:51 AM
4	Not informed enough to comment	2/11/2016 8:03 PM
5	It is more discriminatory than unsafe. I would rather up contacts were not judged as slowing the dog to get the up can lead to a loss of confidence.	2/11/2016 7:16 PM
6	YES, a safety issue, but I think we will see more injuries if we do away with the up contacts, as dogs will be hitting the obstacle harder and faster	2/10/2016 11:08 AM

7	I don't fully appreciate the safety issues or concerns here. Where does this leave us in terms of the international standards if we change the regulations?	2/10/2016 4:49 AM
8	Safety issue and also discriminates against larger breeds and long striding dogs.	2/9/2016 12:56 PM
9	I do not know, possibly?	2/9/2016 8:52 AM
10	would need more info to make a decision	2/8/2016 10:15 PM
11	not sure	2/8/2016 9:16 PM
12	I think our rule disadvantages certain breeds and do not think that the up contact is a safety issue	2/5/2016 7:42 PM
13	Sorry, I have no view on this as I am not experienced enough to judge whether it is a safety concern	2/2/2016 9:06 AM
14	don't know a lot about the safety aspect of this to comment	2/1/2016 1:11 PM
15	So the handler has to manage this -- diddums ! Small dog handlers have other management issues	2/1/2016 12:56 PM
16	not sure, I've never heard it being a safety issue	2/1/2016 8:31 AM
17	unsure. I think that Judges should make the decision as to whether they will ALL judge the up contacts or not, and then the competitors will know how to safely train their dogs accordingly.	1/31/2016 7:36 PM
18	It is a safety issue for some but not all dogs - for a large heavy breed dog launching at the the a frame half way up is also a safety concern, as is stopping the dog's motion before sending it to climb the a frame.	1/31/2016 4:06 PM
19	Not sure whether it is a safety issue but from competing with german shepherds I know that if they have a long stride it can mean they miss the up contact simply by striding over it and the only way to achieve it is to have them slow from their natural running gait which seems unfair for the bigger dogs	1/30/2016 5:55 AM
20	I think leaping from the down contact can cause more damage.	1/29/2016 4:11 PM
21	Have never thought of it before, but can see that if a dog has to change stride, it makes the climb more difficult	1/29/2016 3:31 PM
22	not a safety issue if dog misses the up contact	1/29/2016 2:51 PM
23	Dont know	1/29/2016 8:49 AM
24	I don't see judging up contacts or not as a safety issue per second, merely pointless . There clearly is a reason for down contacts not jumping off too high but not going up. I think regs really coming in from the side of the contact would be more worthwhile for safety .	1/29/2016 8:42 AM
25	I believe judging the up contact is only a safety issue on the Aframe	1/29/2016 8:04 AM
26	an up contact fault is very rare so I would support removing this from judging but I don't see it as a safety issue any more than any of the equipment	1/29/2016 7:38 AM
27	in two minds about this one	1/29/2016 7:33 AM
28	It is a safety issue especially for a large dog going on to a dog/walk, see-saw or cross-over. By judging the up contact a handler will have to ensure the dog is under control and therefore there are less likely to be issues with dogs slipping off the planks	1/29/2016 6:58 AM
29	up contact on a A Frame is hard for bigger dogs no faults should be given	1/29/2016 6:00 AM
30	I don't think it is a safety issue but I don't think a dog should be forced to break stride so it shouldn't be judged	1/28/2016 10:58 PM
31	Having to break stride is a safety issue, not hitting the contact.	1/28/2016 10:50 PM

Q7 Do you think the up contacts on the A-frame should be judged?

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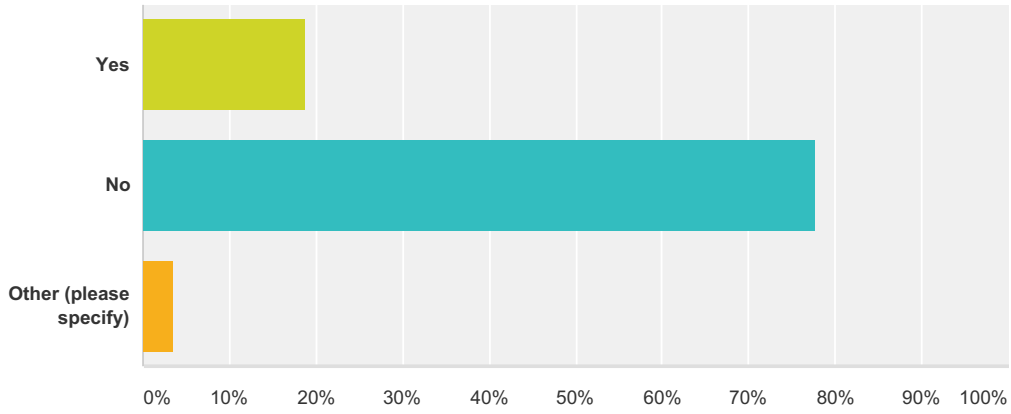

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Yes	**18.77%**	52
No	**77.62%**	215
Other (please specify)	**3.61%**	10
Total		**277**

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Not informed enough to comment	2/11/2016 8:03 PM
2	From a consistency perspective we should follow international regulations or lobby for change. Might be easier to judge just one end of the contact therefore more consistent?	2/10/2016 4:49 AM
3	Not worried either way	2/8/2016 8:54 PM
4	No but I do think should be able to be penalised for a dangerous approach some how not sure how if cant do this think they should be judged	2/4/2016 10:34 AM
5	No preference both my dogs don't appear to have had a problem	2/3/2016 11:40 AM
6	YES. Put in a run up distance regulation for as for long jump. Hate moaning for long legged dogs when little dogs have had to climb the Aframe with maybe 2 metres max and expected to put incredible pressure on their hips. Just be fair to all, but no up contact judging? Geez. Let's not have them at all then!	2/1/2016 10:58 AM
7	wouldn't like to see approaches from dangerous angles apart from that i would be happy for them not to be judged	1/31/2016 8:21 PM
8	See my answer above	1/31/2016 7:36 PM
9	I feel that some dogs stride naturally takes them past the up contact and so is less important than the control at the down contact. In my mind making the up contact less important. Hence I feel we could lose the up contact judging.	1/29/2016 4:11 PM
10	undecided	1/29/2016 7:33 AM

Q8 Do you think the up contacts on the dogwalk/crossover/seesaw should be judged?

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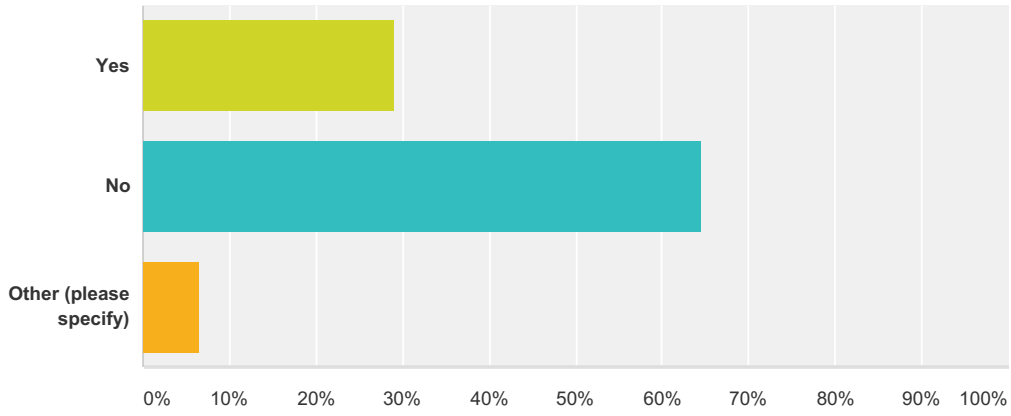

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Yes	**28.99%**	80
No	**64.49%**	178
Other (please specify)	**6.52%**	18
Total		**276**

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Unsure	2/10/2016 9:04 PM
2	Im happy to remove the requirement to judge up contacts, on the condition that we introduce a regulation that allows judges to disqualify a dog for "unsafe performance" of an obstacle. This is what they have in Australia, and will ensure people dont get stupid about trying to get dogs to jump at the contacts from crazy angles.	2/9/2016 9:18 AM
3	Not worried either way - I do feel sory for judges having to run the dogwalk for 200+ dogs though. Sometimes in those big classes, judges are choosing not to put the dogwalk in	2/8/2016 8:54 PM
4	Dogwalk and crossover should not be judged. But the seesaw's angle of approach is not that great with the reduction of height previously made and therefore is not an issue as with the other pieces of contact equipment. So the seesaw should have its up contact judged.	2/5/2016 1:07 PM
5	No preference both my dogs don't appear to have had a problem	2/3/2016 11:40 AM
6	Because, if they aren't judged handlers may encourage dogs to leap on from the sides.	2/1/2016 9:00 PM
7	don't mind either way, I've got a maxi and he's never missed an up contact on these, they probably go slower on the up as it's narrower and not as steep as the A-Frame	2/1/2016 8:31 AM
8	similar to the a frame wouldn't like to see dangerous approaches I guess this could mostly be taken care of with good course design	1/31/2016 8:21 PM
9	See my answer above	1/31/2016 7:36 PM
10	dogwalk only should not be judged as have seen judges only judge both ends for certain height classes as it requires too much energy to judge both ends. Crossover and seesaw being shorter obstacles and easier to judge both ends as well as the dog having to collect itself anyway should be judged.	1/29/2016 6:09 PM
11	I feel that some dogs stride naturally takes them past the up contact and so is less important than the control at the down contact. In my mind making the up contact less important. Hence I feel we could lose the up contact judging.	1/29/2016 4:11 PM
12	i dont know	1/29/2016 1:13 PM
13	See saw yes dogwalk no	1/29/2016 10:46 AM
14	undecided	1/29/2016 7:33 AM

15	No, some sort of ruling saying that the dog must enter the ramp straight	1/29/2016 2:17 AM
16	Not sure about this - TBH.	1/28/2016 10:10 PM
17	Indifferent. It is only the A-frame I consider a safety issue	1/28/2016 10:04 PM
18	I'm not sure	1/28/2016 9:43 PM

Q9 Stepping over the ramps of the contacts was deemed a safety issue, and handlers may be penalised for doing this. Do you think this is still a good regulation?

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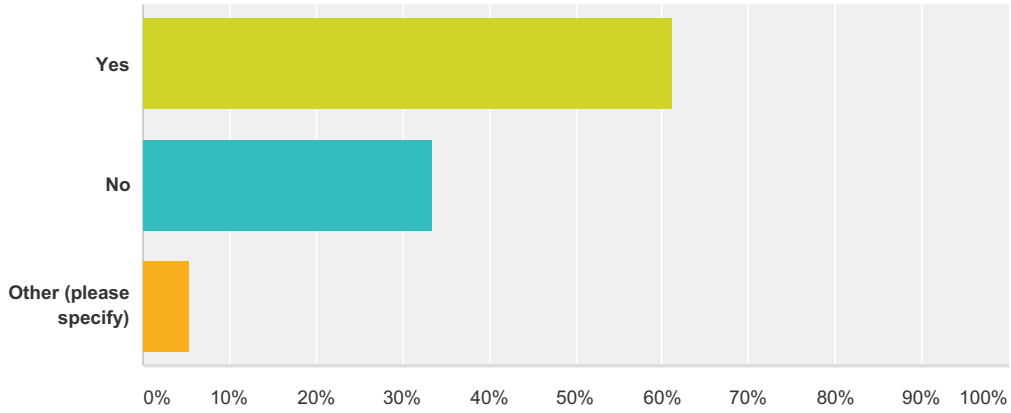

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Yes	**61.23%**	169
No	**33.33%**	92
Other (please specify)	**5.43%**	15
Total		**276**

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	If the handler is comfortable doing it why not!	2/15/2016 8:15 PM
2	Yes, but in reality, I am watching the more closely than the handler	2/10/2016 11:08 AM
3	Should the same apply for dogs jumping on tunnels? If the fog stepped over the ramp would you be disqualified! If so leave the regulation as is.	2/10/2016 4:49 AM
4	As above - you dont need to necessarily regulate for this but teh introduction of an unsafe performance reg could solve the issue.	2/9/2016 9:18 AM
5	not sure what you mean - but judging equipment must be consistent to make it easy for judges	2/8/2016 10:15 PM
6	Haven't got an opinion either way	2/4/2016 1:04 PM
7	Handlers should be avoiding obstacles always	2/2/2016 9:06 AM
8	Not if the judges put the obstacles in the logical shortest distance for the hnadler. This has happened a few times for me and it constitues another handling challenge that I cant train for. i think the reg should be more around how the judges places the contact ramps.	2/1/2016 8:57 AM
9	no bothered either way	1/31/2016 4:06 PM
10	Some of the ground conditions we run on are more of a safety issue than stepping over a ramp but I like the regulation for the way it controls the handler.	1/29/2016 7:50 AM
11	Don't mind either way	1/29/2016 7:37 AM
12	it is good regulation but it's difficult to judge	1/29/2016 5:51 AM
13	I assume you are talking only about handlers stepping over the ramps? I don't think penalties should apply unless the handler touches the equipment (as that risks damage to the gear).	1/28/2016 10:33 PM
14	I would need more info to make an informed decision...I have my own ideas, but why was it of concern in the first instance?	1/28/2016 10:20 PM

15	The handler stepping over the contact isn't a safety issue -- i've always thought it was a distance handling challenge.	1/28/2016 10:10 PM

Q10 Stepping over the collapsible tunnel was deemed a safety issue, and handlers may be penalised 5 faults for doing this. However, some Judges vary on how they rule on this, and it is often difficult to judge as they will be watching the dog. Do you think this is still a good regulation?

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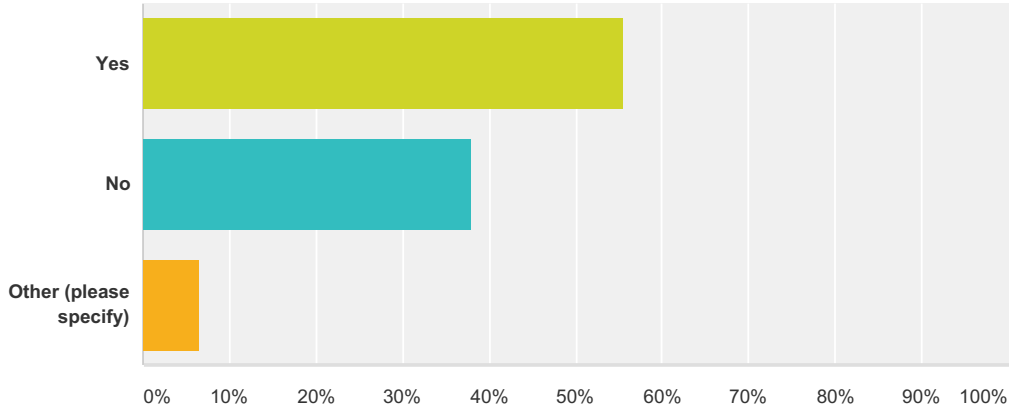

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Yes	**55.43%**	153
No	**38.04%**	105
Other (please specify)	**6.52%**	18
Total		**276**

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	With the newer, shorter collapsible tunnels that many clubs are getting now it would be pretty hard to stand/step over them anyway.	2/16/2016 2:06 PM
2	If the dog is on the DW & the CT is underneath why not!	2/15/2016 8:15 PM
3	The collapsible is more mobile with the wind than the contacts so it is more of an issue	2/11/2016 7:16 PM
4	Shorten the collapsible tunnel Shute / bigger concern is dog safety	2/10/2016 4:49 AM
5	Can be hard to judge as not looking.	2/9/2016 3:15 PM
6	equipment judging must be cosistent and easy for judges	2/8/2016 10:15 PM
7	I think it is good but I dont think it is important enougn that judges should make an effort to be in position to judge and feel it is one place that should be judged lightly and at judges discretion	2/4/2016 10:34 AM
8	Same comment as for question 9	2/2/2016 9:06 AM
9	otherwise I'll be jumping the collapsed tunnel when it suits me.	2/1/2016 12:56 PM
10	Same comment as the ramps. some judges seem to place the tunnel so you have to round around it. that is what i think is a safety issue	2/1/2016 8:57 AM
11	Depends on the position of the collapsible tunnel	1/30/2016 5:53 PM
12	Now tunnel is shorter it shouldn't happen anyway	1/29/2016 10:46 AM
13	Happy with the rule but all need to judge the same way	1/29/2016 8:49 AM
14	Some of the ground conditions we run on are more of a safety issue than stepping over a ramp but I like the regulation for the way it controls the handler.	1/29/2016 7:50 AM

15	Don't mind either way	1/29/2016 7:37 AM
16	Stepping over is fine, stepping *on* is dangerous	1/28/2016 10:33 PM
17	Again, I would need more info to make an informed decision...why was it originally deemed a safety issue?	1/28/2016 10:20 PM
18	I didn't think this was a safety issue -- just like you're not allowed to touch any other piece of gear - i assumed you weren't allowed to touch the collapsible. I may have been guilty of touching gear due to poor spatial awareness (and leaping a down contact) and judges should have discretion in this space -- if it looks like you're doing it to assist the dog unfairly ping it, but if it's just handler bumbling .... they should be able to make the call on the day given the layout of the course.	1/28/2016 10:10 PM

Q11 It has been suggested that for the safety of the dog, any jump requiring a dog to be sent to the backside to perform it must be a wing jump. Do you agree?

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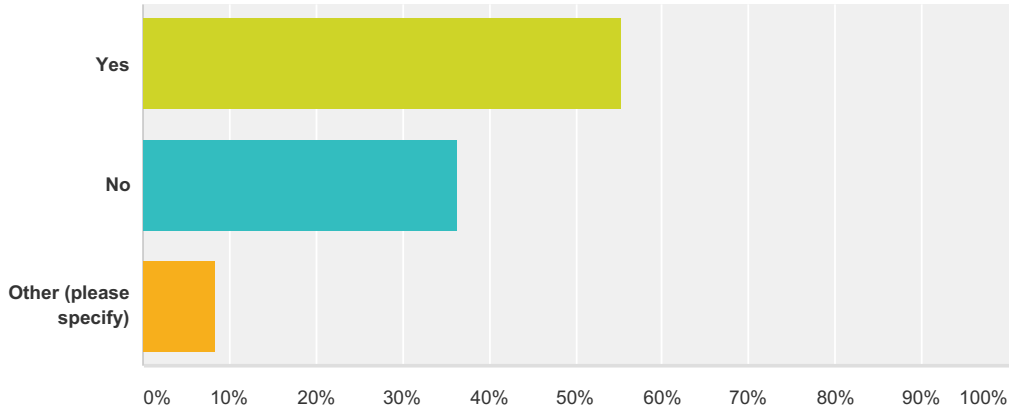

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Yes	**55.31%**	151
No	**36.26%**	99
Other (please specify)	**8.42%**	23
Total		**273**

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Yes I do agree with this, would like to extend on this issue further by saying, I do feel the need for wings does extend to other area's for handling not only backside approaches but also pull or push through's etc. The reason I say this is is it allows more room for the dogs to move and find their take off position without putting extra strain on their body. Clubs need to have more wings and this needs to be regulated, also regulated to say back side approaches can not be used without wing jumps.	2/17/2016 6:27 PM
2	Yes if they are being sent from the front side of the jump to the back side. If coming in from the side at a much lesser angle it may not be as vital	2/16/2016 2:06 PM
3	dont know	2/16/2016 11:38 AM
4	I will refuse to put up a wing jump in any of my courses. Backside Wing Jump has resulted in major injury to a very fast dog who now refuses A Frame 1st time cos it was first obstacle after the wing and he sees it as an ouchy. HATE wings jumps	2/15/2016 5:58 PM
5	Some handlers have trained dog to do a backside when they see a wing jump which is queing not a safety issue as claimed.	2/14/2016 9:04 PM
6	I don't fully understand or appreciate the safety concerns here.	2/10/2016 4:49 AM
7	What exactly constitutes a "backside"? Is the second jump in a pull/push through manouvre a "backside" approach? I think given how many backsides we currently see in agility, requiring these to all be wings may need the AC to subsidise the purchase of more wing jumps from clubs.	2/9/2016 9:18 AM
8	t	2/8/2016 10:15 PM
9	not really sure about this one	2/8/2016 8:48 PM
10	I think it is preferable but if trained properly itit shouldnt be an issue- in fact my dog broke his toenail doing a backside with a wing when he caught his foot n the wing so just having a wing doesnt make it automatically safe	2/4/2016 10:34 AM
11	totally against backside jumps, if a safty issue why introduced in the first place	2/4/2016 6:09 AM
12	unsure	2/3/2016 5:29 PM

13	Don't Know	2/3/2016 11:40 AM
14	depends on the angle of approach to the jump - and the speed and position on the course	2/2/2016 8:05 PM
15	Don't know, inclined to think yes, however training of this is done without wing jumps so....	2/2/2016 4:57 PM
16	dontc are - they both have advantages and disadvantages for my dogs.	2/1/2016 12:56 PM
17	not sure, but if passed it will means clubs will need to potentially purchase a lot of wing jumps	2/1/2016 8:31 AM
18	Don't think is is necessary to regulate, as if the dog is approaching the backside from a wider angle it is not a safety concern.	1/31/2016 4:06 PM
19	ban backsides.have talked to people that have their dogs slice themselves on the cups, another had the collar jam in a cup with the jump attached to it. ALL on wing jumps. only people that are pushing for this are people that only train backsides on wings. see it all the time, their dogs see a wing and automatically do the backside. they would be in trouble over seas where all jumps are wings. backsides are a major accident waiting to happen. will see one soon enough.	1/29/2016 11:23 PM
20	Wing jumps are pretty dangerous when hit by any dog going in any direction.	1/29/2016 4:38 PM
21	Not sure	1/29/2016 9:00 AM
22	A recommendation but not a rule	1/28/2016 10:13 PM
23	it's easier to train with a wing... It's safer due to the people train the backside for more and more tightness - if it's unsafe for backsides then it's probably unsafe for tight wraps as well.	1/28/2016 10:10 PM

Q12 Sending dog around a jump where it is the first obstacle. This may mean the handler takes the dog into the ring, past the first jump, and then sends it around the first jump. Should this be allowed?

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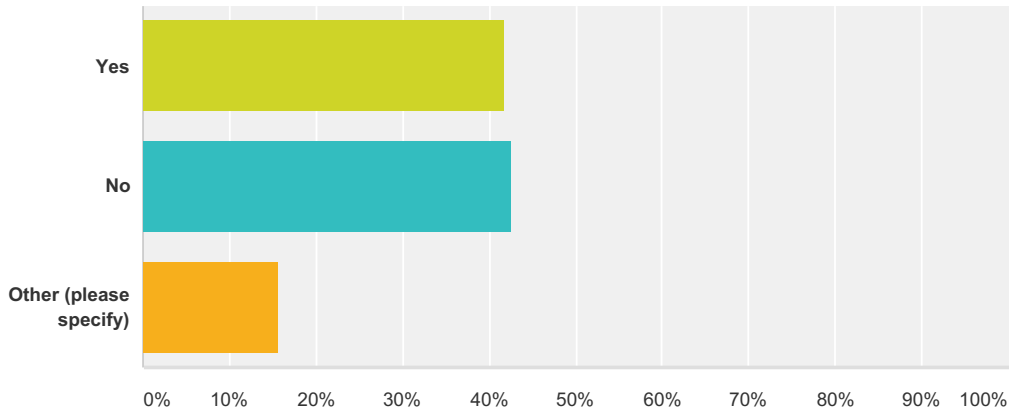

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Yes	**41.76%**	114
No	**42.49%**	116
Other (please specify)	**15.75%**	43
Total		**273**

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	dont know	2/16/2016 11:38 AM
2	Depends where the dog has to go next.	2/15/2016 8:15 PM
3	dont know	2/15/2016 6:42 PM
4	I don't understand this question. Perhaps diagrams would help people understand these questions better?	2/14/2016 3:15 PM
5	I'm unsure how I feel on this one	2/11/2016 7:16 PM
6	No. This may be negating a challenge set by the judge, and teh handler is crossing the plane of the first jump whilst touching their dog.	2/9/2016 9:18 AM
7	need more evidence to decide	2/8/2016 10:15 PM
8	It depends at which level this should be made clear at the start of the course walking	2/8/2016 8:41 PM
9	Maybe courses should be designed so this is not a possibility	2/5/2016 7:42 PM
10	Don't know	2/3/2016 11:40 AM
11	not sure what is being described	2/2/2016 10:28 PM
12	should not pass the refusal plane of the first obstacle	2/2/2016 8:05 PM
13	Don't understand question	2/2/2016 11:16 AM
14	Unsure	2/1/2016 8:35 PM
15	I cannot picture what this is even about. Judging how competitors run a course is surely the judges call.	2/1/2016 5:30 PM
16	The dog needs to start from the number side of the obstacle. Anyting else is a refusal.. Allowing handlers to start anywhere in the course hs the potential for time wasting.. Past the first obsatacle, judging starts, so entering the course becomes a refusal..	2/1/2016 1:11 PM

17	Handlers should be allowed to do anything reasonable that gets the dog around the course, and doesn't cause safety issues. If the handler cant get the dog around any other way, then they will lose time ! ... but should still be allowed to make that decision.	2/1/2016 12:56 PM
18	NO. Its just being a smart ass. They have crossed into ring and with change in regs, would and should be given a refusal. I can not imagine where there is an advantage in angle.	2/1/2016 10:58 AM
19	I am unsure on this one.	2/1/2016 9:12 AM
20	If this is a problem, don't have that type of jump as the first obstacle. Congratulations to the handlers who think creatively.	2/1/2016 8:24 AM
21	Defeats the purpose of having a backside jump at no. 1 so can't see the point of allowing the dog to be started on the other side.	1/31/2016 7:42 PM
22	This needs to be clarified further. If the dog is past the first jump, then is it jumping from the original side?	1/31/2016 7:36 PM
23	Yes, in senior agility and A Jumpers	1/31/2016 6:33 PM
24	obviously bad course set up - judges should set a course that the start is obvious	1/31/2016 3:58 PM
25	Yes, providing the handler does not touch the dog in the ring	1/31/2016 3:34 PM
26	Can't understand what is meant by this. Needs clarification	1/30/2016 9:07 PM
27	Not sure - judging criteria would be needed for resetting dog at start	1/30/2016 6:40 PM
28	This question is ambiguous and therefore not possible to answer.	1/29/2016 5:32 PM
29	As far as I can determine there is no specific "start area" in agility. This scenario may also apply to a tunnel entrance where a handler can send the dog back to a tunnel. If the said dog or handler has skills that others don't have then why should they be penalised. Unless the judge is going to determine a start box area then I believe it should be up to the handler to choose how to start the course	1/29/2016 4:38 PM
30	not sure on this one!	1/29/2016 3:01 PM
31	i dont know	1/29/2016 1:13 PM
32	As long as 5. still applys	1/29/2016 11:56 AM
33	Not sure	1/29/2016 9:00 AM
34	Not a clear example....if taking dog into ring past first jump to send around....wouldnt you just preform the jump from the front....	1/29/2016 8:58 AM
35	There should be a set start line, if that means the first jump is a backside, then everyone must perform this as a backside	1/29/2016 7:17 AM
36	Perhaps there should be a start line/box, otherwise each handler will find their own place to start.	1/29/2016 7:00 AM
37	Not sure would think it would depend on how the judge intended the course to be run	1/29/2016 6:43 AM
38	Don't understand question	1/28/2016 11:41 PM
39	I don't understand this question - it is ambigous	1/28/2016 10:58 PM
40	I believe judges should be allowed to specify when it will be allowed.	1/28/2016 10:04 PM
41	I dont understand what this question means but if a handler can send a dog to complete an obstacle correctly then does it matter how they do it? It shouldn't.....	1/28/2016 10:01 PM
42	I am not clear on the issue	1/28/2016 9:42 PM
43	I don't think it matters. If someone has to do that to start their dog, they are going to lose time anyway (not to mention put themselves behind if they had needed a lead out!). It also creates a grey area in some Senior level courses where the first jump necessitates being in the ring, near other equipment.	1/28/2016 9:38 PM

Q13 Weaving poles - Faults. It is proposed that, once a dog receives a fault on the weave, it can move to the next obstacle without further penalty. Reasons. 1. The weave is the only obstacle a dog must repeat until it gets it right.2. The weave is one of the harder obstacles to train and many dogs have issues with doing it correctly, especially at the lower levels. To ask a new dog to repeat its mistakes may cause stress.3. Repeatedly doing the weaves wastes time and is frustrating for judges, spectators, handlers and the dogs themselves.4. There is little purpose from a training point of view in repeating a dog's mistakes.5. The dog will get 5 faults and therefore cannot receive a clear round certificate and is unlikely to be placed.Do you agree that a dog should be able to move on to the next obstacle once it has faulted (and received 5 points penalty) for a mistake in the weave?

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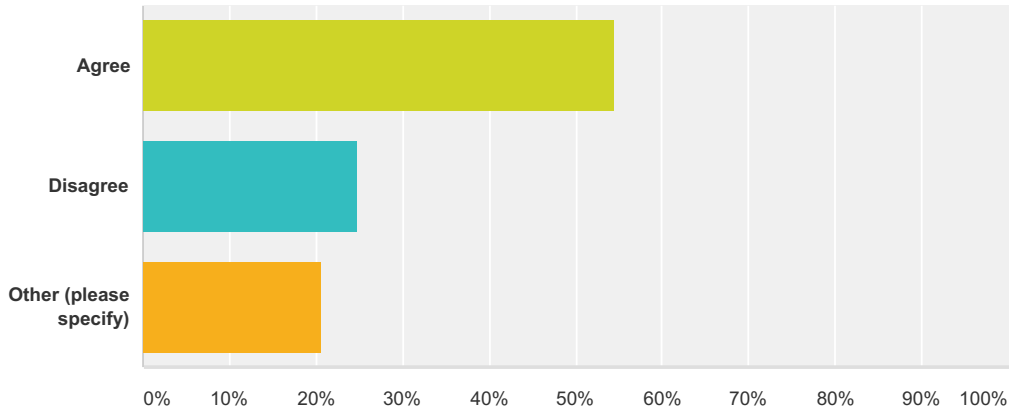

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Agree	**54.51%**	151
Disagree	**24.91%**	69
Other (please specify)	**20.58%**	57
Total		**277**

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	I am not sure whether making it only 5 faults vs DQ would make much difference. I imagine anyone who is going to go back and attempt the weaves again for whatever reason will do so regardless of what penalty they incur.	2/16/2016 2:06 PM

2	I've received a ribbon with 5 faults!	2/15/2016 8:15 PM
3	I agree that this can waste a lot of time and that some dogs may become stressed. However, it is an obstacle that many dogs struggle with and i think there is the possibility that dogs will learn to the obstacle incorrectly e.g. only doing 10 poles. I would want to put my dog back through the weaves to ensure they understand the obstacle correctly. I would probably then leave the ring.	2/14/2016 3:15 PM
4	No more than 2 attempts 5 fault penalty in starters/novice, the rest can be 5 faults and continue. Reasoning that by the time a dog is out of Novice the weave issue should be fixed. (I don't usually have problems with this obstacle so could be biased)	2/11/2016 7:16 PM
5	5 Faults is good, but the handler should have the option of repeating it to get it right if they want with no further penalties.	2/9/2016 9:46 PM
6	Agree, but some judges indicate a fault when in fact a refusal was incurred, so we would need to ensure 100% understanding of the regs.	2/8/2016 10:00 PM
7	I agree in principle so long as all judges understand the difference between refusals and faults which isn't currently happening in all cases	2/8/2016 9:53 PM
8	Disagree - there is still often ribbons given out with faulted runs. If a dog faulted early and carried on, this would be a huge time advantage for some dogs if you know there hasnt been many clear rounds.	2/8/2016 8:54 PM
9	10 penalty	2/6/2016 6:10 AM
10	Not sure. This could de-value the weaves for new competitors and maybe they will never master them.	2/5/2016 7:42 PM
11	I think a second attempt should be allowed and then if that fails or works move on to the next obstacle.	2/5/2016 1:07 PM
12	I have mixed views on this- I definitely think the number of times/amt of time a dog spends attempting the weaves should be reduced - perhaps say two attempts. I know with my dogs who have generally made a mistake early and are fast that there have been times when on a 5 point round without the slow weave they would have been in the ribbons With two attempts they at least have to reset and reattempt but you wouldnt get this continual retrying. Not sure whether I agree with this rule at the higher levels	2/4/2016 10:34 AM
13	Interesting. Was going to agree, and changed my mind. I'm not sure this will stop handlers trying to repeat the weaves, esp if they are having issues only in the ring with the weave, where at training there is no issue. In the smaller classes of small dogs a handler could strategically fault in the weave and still be placed on time: it is conceivable that a class of small dogs might only net 1 or 2 clear rounds. There is no benefit in a faulted round with a time where an obstacle wasn't completed, compared to a DQ, so why give the option?	2/2/2016 4:57 PM
14	I think that this should be happening in starters as this does waist time but not in any other classes as the dog should know how to weave.	2/2/2016 4:40 PM
15	Very strongly agree as too much time is being wasted with handlers doing training during their runs.	2/2/2016 9:06 AM
16	It hasn't completed the obstacle.	2/1/2016 8:04 PM
17	none of the reasons 1 - 5 stand up to reasoning. Leave things as they are. Regulations should stay out of training methods and so called "time wasting"	2/1/2016 5:30 PM
18	If the dog can't complete the weave then it gets a disqualification. And other obstacles have to be completed correctly. eg you ca't just carry on if the dog jumps off the top of the dog walk. You have to return to the start and redo it.. If anything the reg should be 3 attempts at the weave, disqualified and carry on and then carry on but disqualidied	2/1/2016 1:11 PM
19	this should not be made mandatory - and some dogs need to know that they still have to do this properly IN THE COMPETITION RING!	2/1/2016 12:56 PM
20	Disagree. There is NO ruling that says the dog can't be slotted back in where the error is made once passed, say the 4th pole. Eliminates frustration in the dog. Going repeatedly back to the start is not good training anyway. Take the DQ and carry on. No DQ? What a load of rubbish.	2/1/2016 10:58 AM
21	They can do this now - they just get DQ. Once you get faults you are unlikely to be in the placings anyway. I think there should be a limit on how many times a handler can re do the weaves. 2 max. if they fail on their 3rd they must continue or leave the ring.	2/1/2016 8:57 AM
22	I agree but wonder if a dog does only one pole then runs on in a competion with few or no clear rounds it would give an unfare advantage to later running dogs. Could 7 or 10 be given if not completed. I do agree with it though especially when doing a rerun because of timer issues etc	1/31/2016 7:09 PM
23	Disagree, I have been placed recently with 5 faults, a dog that pops early in weaves and continues will have an unfair advantage over dogs that drop a rail or go past the line of a jump but is redirected and completes jump. I think dogs should be given two attempts at weaves and then must either continue to complete the course under elimination or leave the ring	1/31/2016 6:33 PM
24	Disagree. Judge can always ask handler to move on if wasting time. Stress for dog is issue between handle dog and probably their instructor and preparation to compete.	1/31/2016 5:30 PM

25	disagree as a dog should not be able to win a class without completing the weave if it is in the course	1/31/2016 4:06 PM
26	Would have thought a penalty of more than 5 points as is the same as a dropped rail!	1/31/2016 3:58 PM
27	I agree but what happens if the person wants to try the weaves again are then then DQ?	1/29/2016 8:35 PM
28	Handler's discretion - stil gets 5 faults but knows their dog best	1/29/2016 6:00 PM
29	I agree that it is stressful for young dogs and new handlers to have multiple attempts to complete the weaves but they do have jumpers to enter. A dog that faults at the start of the weaves and then doesn't need to complete them will have a significant time advantage and there have been several instances where ribbons and prizes have been gained by dogs with faults (lower South Island).	1/29/2016 5:49 PM
30	maybe the dog could take 10 faults for not repeating the weaves instead of D as it is now if it goes on without completing weaves	1/29/2016 5:48 PM
31	Agree as long as competitor still has the option to repeat the weave with no further penalty.	1/29/2016 4:49 PM
32	I don't see any advantage in letting the dog continue without successfully completing the obstacle. I think a different way of approaching this is to have less weaves in Starters. Eg: 6 or 8 therefore making it more acheievable and less time consuming to endure for those who are struggling to get their dogs to weave. I am also thinking that this rule should really only be applicable to the starters class. For a dog at Int/Snr level they should have to complete the obstacle correctly. Novice could follow this ruling perhaps.	1/29/2016 4:38 PM
33	I think once you have faulted, it should be the handlers choice to continue or redo, once, MAX twice, without further penalty vs the DQ one receives now. I also think the judge has the right to call "time" on that redo if it goes past once or twice. Then a DQ is ordered.	1/29/2016 4:11 PM
34	agree with above except if an experienced dog makes an error it could be optional to repeat it once only.	1/29/2016 2:51 PM
35	IF the dog doesn't complete a weave they should receive an extra 5 fault penalty i.e. 10 in total, 5 for the original fault and another 5 for incomplete weave. I've seen several dogs place or win with just 5 faults	1/29/2016 1:54 PM
36	Agree, as long as the option of going back and doing it properly if you want to won't be penalised.	1/29/2016 1:50 PM
37	I agree but the handler should be able to repeat it if they want - for some dogs they will get it right on the second attempt. Important if it is a problem in the ring only, not in training.	1/29/2016 1:15 PM
38	I think two attempts would be more fair.	1/29/2016 11:19 AM
39	I think if this were to go ahead the definition of refusal should be expanded so that dogs who fault near the beginning of the weaves do not get too much of a time advantage, particularly in small classes where placing on faults does happen	1/29/2016 10:19 AM
40	What if it is deemed a refusal by the judge can they also proceed on with out being disqualified Think this needs to be clarified further.	1/29/2016 10:19 AM
41	Not sure need to think abit more on this one	1/29/2016 10:05 AM
42	Yes only for starters.	1/29/2016 9:00 AM
43	Handlers choice....In some cases fixing the mistake in the ring is beneficial	1/29/2016 8:58 AM
44	Disagree. Handler education should ensure that dog stress and repreating too often is avoided. They should carry on the course and DQ if in that situation. IMO 5f for not completing equipment is not significant enough.	1/29/2016 8:49 AM
45	Handlers can move on at any time now. 5 faults is as good as a d by the same reasoning . Will this turn from MAY move on to MUST move on.	1/29/2016 8:42 AM
46	Agree provided it is not mandatory to move on	1/29/2016 8:04 AM
47	Don't mind the change but all point reaised could be solved by educating the handlers. If my dog misses last pole I will still make it to ge back and do it properly just like I'd do contacts.	1/29/2016 7:37 AM
48	disagree, maybe E them after 3 failed attempts or similar and make them move on	1/29/2016 7:37 AM
49	They must do them correctly before moving on, it is an agility obstacle and so bloody train it properly! What's next? Can't do tunnels, one go then move on???? We have jumpers for owners that compete before their dogs are ready!!!	1/29/2016 7:09 AM
50	It happens more than I thought it would that fault runs get ribbons/prizes. So this dog with 5 faults would be faster than a dog that did complete the weaves and knocked a rail, so I don't think this would be fair, maybe if 10 faults were given. But then if you fault or D it's not really any different, you aren't going to win, so may as well just keep it as it is with a D if you don't complete weaves but maybe have a show rule that if you repeat them more than once, you need to leave the ring after doing so (unless you are not D yet (because of the situations where a dog with faults does get placed)	1/29/2016 6:13 AM
51	Agree. but aloud to try once more THEN move on.	1/29/2016 6:00 AM

52	Make it 2 faults eg 10 points if u carry without doing weaves other than eliminated and 10 faults fairer to other competitors that may have done weaves and knocked a rail	1/28/2016 11:41 PM
53	I disagree. Dogs in the South Island are often placed on faults in split classes	1/28/2016 10:58 PM
54	I think any change here needs to be less general. When a course has few clear rounds, a dog who ducks out after a single pole would have a significant time advantage and therefore likely gain a place. Similarly, at some events (eg inter-clubs) rounds with faults are still important. Perhaps need to specify that half the weaves have to be have been negotiated for the dog to get only 5 faults and be able to move on. Also, suggest we allow only 2 attempts, then DQ as it's effectively 'training in the ring' if the new rule comes into effect.	1/28/2016 10:33 PM
55	Yes as long as it is still an option to have your dog complete the weaves properly, as those dogs who don't suffer from stress or failure issues will likely do better in their future if they are required to perform the obstacle correctly	1/28/2016 10:20 PM
56	In starters classes it is not uncommon for place getters to have faults, I dog that has only done 2 poles of the weaves could beat a dog that say knocks a pole, you would also get more people not putting effort into the weaves	1/28/2016 10:13 PM
57	While I do like this suggestion, I'd like to see faulting the weave removed from starters again - it's so disheartening for newbies - they feel they have to have this perfect -- and jumpers C isn't a perfect substitute - because who's going to go to a show for 2 runs in an entire weekend - as most shows are triple Ag and double Jmprs these days. Speaking as someone whose dog struggles with the weave ONLY in the ring. Would I then be DQ'd if I tried to put my dog through the weave again after she failed the first time? Because if you DQ me for trying to get it right that's unfair - I don't want my dog to learn that it can blow the weave in the ring and we just carry on (and I can guarantee you'll see newbies take this attitude - they'll take the 5 faults over getting it right, but she has to do it properly outside the ring. (And my previous dog did learn this behaviour - because I never took her back when she failed the weave in the ring but always did in training - she learnt she didn't have to try in the ring but always got it right at training. Do you know how frustrating it is when you can't replicate in training a behaviour that only happens in the ring?	1/28/2016 10:10 PM

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