

Clarification regarding the “new group” in Pear and Apple.

The Heights Review subcommittee (HRSC) would like to thank the agility community for their interest and ongoing feedback on the heights review. In particular we note the interest in the recently released scenarios containing a new group of dogs in the 420-445mm range, and the desire for a clear indication of where the HRSC proposes that this group would sit under the current splits regulations.

When the HRSC were developing the Apple and Pear scenarios we specifically chose height cut offs for the “New Group” with the intention that this group would be proposed to sit with minis for the purposes of splits. This is the reason for the group being very small and having an upper end cut off which attempts to limit the number of pure working dog breeds that would fall into the group.

Had we considered this group should sit with mediums we would have chosen a different height range.

Note that this is currently a proposal from the HRSC with the purpose of releasing as part of Survey 2. This is not set in stone. We hope that this clarification will enable people to provide targeted feedback on the “New Group” in the context of a clear proposal on where it would sit. The Subcommittee will therefore be seeking comments on whether the proposed cut offs and jump height are appropriate for a group intended to be paired with smalls, or whether a pairing with mediums is more favourable.

Thank you all again for your input - please ensure that it is included as part of your formal survey response so that it can be formally considered as part of the next phase of the review.

Regards,

Heights review subcommittee