

Regulation changes for January 2015.

This document outlines the changes proposed by the Agility committee for 2015. Members are welcome to give feedback on these by December 1st 2014. The final draft of Regulations will be released after the Agility Committee's December meeting and will come into force on January 1st 2015.

Regulations include changes to:-

1. Uploading of AD and ADX advanced results - includes AD/ADX Advanced held at Ribbon trials.
2. Weave poles – adds a vertical requirement and advice on design, as well as clearly listing the number of poles required for classes.
3. Wings – slight alteration giving wider scope for wing design.
4. Changes to measuring of dogs – allows for a longer timeframe for permanent measures, as well as new conditions for maxi dogs interim measures.

1. Regulation change to Uploading of AD and ADX results.

Uploading AD and ADX Advanced results.

Change to regulation also requiring AD and ADX Advanced results to be uploaded, even if held at an Agility Ribbon event. This is because many of our graduation processes are based on AD and ADX qualifications, and for correct reporting of awards and titles we need all relevant information to be submitted.

Current regulation with proposed changes.

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2. Regulations – weaving poles.

a) Adds a vertical requirement and advice on design, as well as clearly listing the number of poles required for classes.

Current regulation with proposed changes.

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b) Number of weave poles,

The regulation already states the number to be used for Elementary A, Starters, AD and ADX advanced . This adds the information to the other agility classes.

Current regulation with proposed changes.

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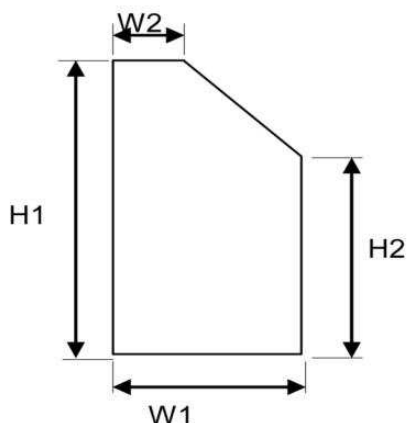
3. Revised wing regulation.

A number of clubs are building wing jumps. The existing regulation is relatively precise, and the Agility Committee has been asked a number of times to approve alternative designs. To date these designs have all met reasonable specifications and it was decided, rather than create a list of approved wing jumps, that a slight adjustment to the regulations in regard to wings was preferred. The regulation below is similar to the FCI wing jump regulations. All existing approved wings can continue to be used.

Existing regulation.

12.2.8 Wings

Wings are permitted to be used on any hurdles, brush fences, asymmetrical spread jumps and multiple bar ascending spread jumps. Width (W1) 600mm maximum, Height (H1) 900mm minimum, width (W2) 150mm minimum, height (H2) 600mm minimum. Exceptions to this may be approved by application to the agility committee. 34



Proposed new regulation.

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4. Changes to Measuring of dogs.

Two changes are proposed. These are proposed to make it easier for owners to get their dogs measured, and to lighten the workload of measurers by allowing large maxi dogs to be excluded from having to get a second measurement done.

1. Maxi dogs interim measure allowed to be final where dog measures over 540mm.

An owner may still elect to get a final measurement done when their dog turns 2 years old. All interim measures for dogs over 540mm will need to be recorded.

2. Extension of time frame for the Interim measurement certificate – allowing dogs another 3 months to get a permanent measure done.

Currently the time frame allowed to get a dog's final measure is 2 weeks before they turn 2 years old. This is a very narrow time frame and causes problems where people wish to enter events that close months beforehand.

It is proposed that owners be given a further 3 months to get the final measurement done.

Current regulation showing changes

10.1.3 Permanent Numbers and Measurement Certificates

All dogs competing in Championship events must be measured and issued with a permanent number. The measure must be conducted no earlier than four (4) weeks prior to the dog turning 18 months or two (2) weeks prior to the dog turning two years old.

10.1.3.1 Interim Measurement Certificates

Any dog between the ages of eighteen months and two years of age twenty seven months may compete upon the issue of an interim Certificate of Measurement. Dogs that measure more than 540mm do not require a further measure at two years of age. Any interim certificate issued for any dog so competing shall be produced to the secretary of the club conducting the event upon request.

Proposed new regulation, including both proposed changes.

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