

Regulation Changes Effective 1st June 2009

Voting dates (3.2.6.4.1.3)

To remove an incorrect date in the regulations

Delete and renumber

3.2.6.4.1.3 Voting will close on March 31st.

As already covered by

3.2.6.2.1.1 The Agility Committee will be elected from nominations received by the NZKC by 28th February from the Agility registered membership. The election will take place over a two-week period, concluding as close as practicable to 30th April.

Handlers With Disabilities (5.4.10)

In correspondence to the Agility Committee, many people felt that people with disabilities should still be able to enjoy their sport. Whilst there may be a perception by some that the use of a mobility aid is an unfair advantage, it is unlikely that this is the case. Others cite the issue of wheelchairs and scooters taking up space, however there are plenty of examples of people using pushchairs which take up just as much space, and that are not excluded during the course walk. It was decided that a regulation be introduced that allows people with permanent or temporary disabilities to partake in the sport of agility.

Add to regulations

5.4.10. Handlers with disabilities.

- 5.4.10.1 Mobility aids are permitted at Agility events. Applications for a dispensation to use an aid can be made to the NZKC Director/Secretary. The Director/Secretary will provide an approval document.
- 5.4.10.2 Where a handler has a temporary or permanent disability, they are permitted to use a mobility aid (including motorised mobility aids) or medical equipment at an event. This includes within the event area, during the walking of the course and whilst competing with their dog(s).
- 5.4.10.3 Where the handler has special requirements related to their disability they must liaise with the Club on entering the competition and present on request an approval document signed by the Director/Secretary.
- 5.4.10.4 Where a mobility aid is used in the ring it will be viewed as a part of the person's body and marked accordingly.
- 5.4.10.5 Motorised aids are permitted at agility events provided that the speed during course walks and outside of the ring is limited to walking speed only.

AD/ADXA advertising (6.2.3)

To remove the mandatory placement of a schedule for AD and ADXA classes where held at ribbon competitions, regulation 6.2.3 is amended to read "NZKC publication" instead of NZ Dog World. This allows AD and ADXA to be advertised on the website as well as the NZ Dog world without the expense of a schedule. However, distributing only a flyer is not sufficient advertising to meet this regulation.

Retired Judges Roll (7.9)

To create a retired judges roll to recognise the contribution made by long standing judges, regulation 7.9 be added.

7.9 Retired Judges Roll

Any person having served on any panel is entitled to apply to be placed or be nominated for a placement on the Honorary Retired Agility Judges Roll. The Agility Committee if it deems it appropriate can place any person making application on the roll. A judge placed on the Honorary Retired Agility Judges Roll will not be permitted to judge.

Signatures on Milestone Applications forms (8.4.4)

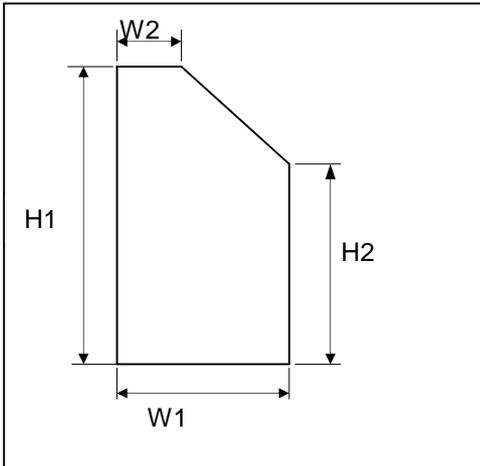
Milestone applications forms have to be signed by a member of the agility committee or an Agility Judge.

Wing Jumps (12.2.9)

To correct an error in the formation of the regulation, regulation 12.2.9 is replaced with:

12.2.9 Wings

Wings are permitted to be used on any hurdles. 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.



Mandatory Disqualification (13.7.3)

To tidy up the mandatory disqualification regulations, regulation 13.7.3 is amended to read:

13.7.3 Mandatory Disqualification

- Taking an obstacle in the incorrect sequence.
- Taking the correct obstacle from the wrong direction. For the weave this means when the dog attempts to weave from the wrong end only.
- Three Refusals during a round.
- Outside interference during a run includes “double handling” but does not include cheering during a round.
- Taking more than the maximum course time.
- Running out of the ring out of control of the handler.
- Fouling (Vomiting, Urinating or defecating) in the ring.
- If the dog starts the course wearing a check chain or any collar other than that allowed under these regulations.
- If the dog commences its run from outside the roped ring area.

Elementary A & B (14.1.1)

The name “Elementary 2” is replaced with “Elementary A”.

The name “Elementary 1” is replaced with “Elementary B”.