

MEASURING DOGS – YOUR FEEDBACK IS REQUIRED.

Although the Agility Committee will make every effort to assist competitors to get their dogs measured in the most convenient way possible, we cannot do it alone. Competitors and clubs also have to play a part in doing their best to take opportunities to host/attend measuring clinics. For some this may involve a degree of travel, but this is part of competing in a sport with rules and regulations that need to be followed. Our measurers are volunteers and all have their own commitments, so please co-operate with them and take advantage of measuring opportunities wherever you can.

The Agility Committee will continue to support measurers. We support the right of measurers to refuse to measure dogs that will not stand or who act aggressively.

The AC also support Clubs as regards training dogs to be measured during agility training classes, and holding measuring clinics away from competitions. To assist making this possible, the Agility Committee has agreed to pay measurers travel costs who conduct clinics at Clubs. A form will be produced and be available from the website.

Other ideas the Agility Committee is considering, and wishes to get feedback on, are:-

- If a dog is measured as a maxi at its Interim then that can be considered its final as well. (Rationale: dogs don't shrink). This would not prevent a handler from getting a final measure at two years
- Unmeasured dogs could run at ribbons trials in Elementary, Starters or Jumpers C. The event manager would adjudicate over the height group if required. (Rationale: make it as easy as possible for newbies to enter the sport).
- Have a one event exemption for a dog to be measured. (Rationale: make it as easy as possible for newbies to enter the sport). Problems of recognising how many events a dog has competed at.

Please send your feedback to nzkcac.feedback@gmail.com by the 20th June 2014