

# **INFORMATION SHEET: NZ AGILITY AND DOG HEIGHTS.**

NZ Agility currently allows dogs to compete in one of three different height ranges. They are:-

- Mini Dogs - Dogs not exceeding 380mm.
- Midi Dogs - Dogs exceeding 380mm but not exceeding 460mm.
- Maxi Dogs - Dogs exceeding 460.

## **Permanent certificate of measure.**

All dogs over 24 months of age competing above Ribbon Trial level in NZ must be measured by an NZKC Agility Committee Official Measurer and must have their height registered within the NZKC database. The records shall show the measurement in millimetres and the measure must be conducted no earlier than 2 weeks prior to the dog's second birthday.

## **Interim certificate of measure.**

Dogs between 18 months and 24 months of age wishing to compete at mini or midi height must obtain an interim certificate from an Official Measurer, which may be used for entry purposes, until such time as the dog attains 24 months. An interim Certificate of Measurement need not be registered with the NZKC. Any interim certificate shall be produced to the secretary of the club conducting the event prior to competition.

## **Agility Ribbon Trial Measurement Certificates**

Dogs wishing to compete at Mini or Midi height in Agility, Jumping and/or Games Ribbon Trials which do not have a Certificate of Measurement registered against the registration records for that dog at the NZKC, shall be required to have a Certificate of Measurement completed prior to competition. Such a certificate is to be valid for Ribbon Trials only and is not to be registered with the NZKC.

## **Administration.**

Dogs will be measured by an NZKC Agility Committee Official Measurer who will forward details to the Agility Committee. These will then be forwarded to the NZKC for inclusion against the dogs details. The Certificate of Measurement shall be retained by the owner.

## **Revocation of Measurement Certificate**

A Certificate of Measurement once registered shall be revoked and/or amended only by order of the Agility Committee upon such conditions as they shall impose.

## **Measurement of Dogs**

### **Definition of Height**

The height of the dog to be measured shall be the height in millimetres (mm) from the ground to the top of the shoulder using standard measuring equipment as approved by the NZKC Agility Committee.

### **Method of Measurement**

The dog shall be measured by a member of the Agility Committee or their nominee at a time and place to be nominated by the Agility Committee representative who will issue a NZKC Certificate of Measurement. This measurement will be done utilising a measuring device approved by the Agility Committee and following the 'Guidelines for Measuring dogs' as produced by that Committee.

### **Age of Dog**

All dogs competing aged two years or more shall have had their Certificate of Measurement registered at the NZKC prior to competition