

Agility Regulation Changes Summary

Rationale: *There was nothing specifying that refunds should be given to competitors in these instances.*

5.1.4 Fixture Cancellations

A cancellation of an entire scheduled show, prior to the first day of the show.

5.1.4.1 – Prior approval of the NZKC Agility Committee is required for cancellation of any scheduled show.

5.1.4.2 – If cancellation means that the club has not met its obligation to conduct agility fixtures, a show must be rescheduled in order to meet those obligations.

5.1.4.3 – Levies are not payable on cancelled shows.

5.1.4.4 – A full refund must be given to all entered competitors.

5.1.5 Fixture Abandonment

An abandonment of a scheduled show or part thereof on or after the first day of the show.

5.1.5.1 – Notification of abandonment to the Agility Committee and the Director Secretary of Dogs NZ must be made within 24 hours of abandonment.

5.1.5.2 – Circumstances for abandonment

5.1.5.2.1 – Circumstances may include but are not limited to adverse events that affect risk and health and safety of dogs and those in attendance.

5.1.5.2.2 - The decision to abandon the show should also consider safe travel for all in attendance.

5.1.5.3 – Levies remain payable on abandoned shows.

5.1.5.4 – Clubs must refund entry fees for any abandoned classes, less any levies payable.

5.1.5.5 – Results, awards, and titles for all completed classes will stand.

Rationale: *Nothing specifies that these must be published on the AC website, which is common practice and expected.*

6.5 Catalogues

Event catalogues must be produced for Championship and Open events and be published on the Dog Agility website no less than 7 days prior to the commencement of the event.

6.5.1 Content of the Catalogue

The catalogue must include the following information:

- Date and Location of the event.
- Scheduled start time for course walking and the first classes.
- A list of all dogs entered in the event, including their Registered Name, Pet Name, Permanent Number, events entered, and Handler's Name.
- The name of the appointed Show Manager and Deputy Show Manager.
- The names of the people on the Disputes Committee.
- The details of the appointed Emergency Vet.

Rationale: *Currently it is possible to collect ADX certificates prior to actually qualifying for them. The website is doing the correct thing and ignoring them, but the printing and distribution of the physical certificate is still possible.*

8.1.5.2. Agility Dog Excellent (ADX)

To qualify ADX and obtain ADX qualifying certificates, dogs must obtain four clear rounds on official AD nominated Novice courses.

OR: Graduate from Novice/Intermediate to Intermediate/Senior.

Agility Dog Excellent (ADX)

There are three levels of ADX. In ascending order, they are:

ADX Bronze (ADXB)

ADX Silver (ADXS)

ADX Gold (ADXG)

To qualify dogs must be qualified ADX and obtain a further two Clear rounds on official ADX nominated intermediate courses at each level before proceeding to the next.

Rationale: *This brings this award into line with the other games awards.*

8.3 Games Awards.

The following awards can be conferred on dogs for Games:

8.3.1 Games Dog (GD)

To qualify GD dogs must obtain Twenty-Five (25) championship qualifying certificates (including at least five Snooker and five Gamblers) in Championship Grade C Games Classes. Dogs which graduate out of Championship Grade C Games prior to gaining the required twenty-five qualifying certificates will also be conferred the title of Games Dog (GD).

Transition rule for GD title.

Those dogs which start in Grade B will need to collect **TEN Grade B** championship qualifying certificates (including at least 2 Snooker and 2 Gamblers) in Grade B Games before they can apply for the GD title.

8.3.2 Games Dog Excellent (GDX)

To qualify GDX dogs must graduate out of Championship Grade B Games classes or obtain TWENTY-FIVE championship qualifying certificates in Grade B Games (including at least 5 Snooker and 5 Gamblers).

8.3.3 Games Dog Master (GDM)

To qualify GDM dogs must obtain **TWENTY-FIVE** championship qualifying certificates in Grade A Games, (including at least 5 Snooker and 5 Gamblers).

Rationale: *Three years is unrealistic and never happens. Two years is a more realistic and manageable time frame.*

9.1.3 NZDAC Committee

At least ~~three~~ two years prior to the event being conducted in a Zone, a zZone ~~r~~Representative in conjunction with a delegated ~~NZDAC-DNZ~~ Agility Committee member shall form a ~~n~~ NZDAC committee for that Zone. The Chairperson of this ~~C~~committee is to be selected from the members on the NZDAC ~~o~~Organising ~~C~~committee.