



Golden Valley Dog Training
Club

Kingstone, Hereford

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Seeking to improve canine sports
for all



Agility dog Measuring
Sunday 18th March 2012
Time 9AM till 12 noon.

Please e-mail measuringatgvdtc.2012@gmail.com to book your place. There are limited places available so places will be awarded on a first come first served basis. If you are unable to e-mail then call Ian on 01989 769316 (between 7pm and 9pm Tuesday - Friday only) to book a place, thank you.

Agility Record books will be available on the day but make sure that you bring all the required information otherwise your dog will not be able to be measured. If your dog is not already registered with the Kennel Club you must register it on the Working Register before it can be measured. This can take several weeks to come through.

Any questions please contact Ian or Ann Radford. We will do our best to answer them for you, but you may find the answer below.

This year there is an extra service available Micro Chipping normal price £15 but if you have it done at the same time as measuring cost will only be £12.50.

FAQ AGILITY MEASURING.

Which dogs need to be measured?

All dogs need to be measured before they can compete at Kennel Club shows.

If my dog was competing before 1st January 2006 can I still get it measured?

Any unmeasured dog that competed prior to 1 January 2006, and then competed in a Large class after that date could not subsequently be measured into Medium (or Small).

Effectively, the handler had declared it to be officially Large.

How old does my dog need to be to be measured?

Your dog must be at least 15 months old to be measured, unless it is obviously larger than 430mm at the withers (shoulder), in which case it can be measured at a younger age.

What do you need to take with you to the measuring session for your dog to be measured?

You must take your dog.

You must have your official KC Record Book with you. These are available from the Kennel Club Publications department. However, new books are sometimes available for purchase from the measurers at a cost of £1.50 each, however please do not rely on this as the measurers may have sold out. (Dogs cannot be measured without a valid Record Book).

Unless your dog is micro-chipped or tattooed you must have a photo of your dog affixed in your record book for identification purposes.

You also need to have your dog's KC name and registration number in the Record Book. If your dog is not already registered with the kennel club then you need to apply to be included on the activity register (Kennel Club form 5). Forms for this should be available in the clubhouse or can be downloaded from the KC website.

Dogs cannot be measured without these details.

The fee for official measuring is now £4 per dog.

What happens when your dog is measured?

Dogs must be measured in a standing position, not sitting.

The measurement must be carried out on a level and even surface, in a quiet place, separate from other dogs and handlers and away from the rings.

The height will be taken from the ground to the highest point of the dog's withers.

The dog should be standing still, squarely, with 4 legs on the ground, neither stretched nor crouched, with the dog's head in a natural position.

The measurer will place a metal 'bridge' across the dog's withers to measure which height category it is eligible for in competition. Both 'feet' of the appropriate 'bridge' should be flat on the ground for the dog to measure into the Medium or Small height category.

The measurers will enter the details of the measurement into your dog's record book, and onto a sheet to be sent to the Kennel Club for their central database.

In the event that your dog will not stand as required, or is aggressive towards the measurers, the measurers have the right to refuse to measure your dog. Your dog will not be able to compete until a measurement is taken and recorded.

What next?

Once your dog has been measured for the first time you can start competing.

If your dog was measured as a small or medium you will need to get it measured again between 12 and 24 months after the first measurement no matter how old it is.

If your dog measured as 'obviously large' the measurers will strike out the second measure and your process is complete.

What if the second measurement is different to the first?

If the second measurement places your dog in a different height category, then a third measurement must be carried out within 2 calendar months by 2 different measurers who have not previously measured your dog. It is **your** responsibility to have your dog measured within the 2 months. The dog should continue to compete in the original (first) height category until the final decision (third measurement) has been made.

Appeals

The owner/handler of a dog can appeal in writing to the Kennel Club within 30 days of the measuring session if they have a dispute over the measuring procedure, not over the height recorded.

Venue Golden Valley DTC Training Ground.

Directions from A465 Hereford

Take B4349 to Clehonger. Turn left staying on the B4349 to Kingstone. At T junction turn right. Take next right to Madley.....

Directions from A465 Abergavenny

Take B4348 to Kingstone. Go through Kingstone past Post Office on right. Keep going past triangle of grass on left, take second right to Madley

.....Take Lane directly after the ETL building. Park in field left of lane. Clubhouse and training field is further up the lane on the right.



