

RECENT USDAA RULES CHANGES, AND CHANGES TO JUMP HEIGHT CUT OFF


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This is a post compiled by Meryl Sheard, which she has kindly given permission to be shared.

Unfamiliar with these changes? Keep reading!!

Jump heights changed and are more in line with AKC/UKI. Small chart is attached below.


For you AKC folk who haven't done USDAA in a while, or have never run in USDAA:

1. If you have an AKC permanent height card, just use that and your dog will not need to be measured
2. Dogs eligible to run 15 months and older
3. You do NOT need to start in Starters - come into the program at the Masters or Advanced level (your choice, or even start in Starters - do what is best for your dog!)
4. NO TABLE IN MASTERS STANDARD. YES, you read that correctly! And I KNOW there are a lot of you out there that will LOVE that 😊 Positionless table for Starters and Advanced Standard.
5. Contrary to some misinformation out there, USDAA has not judged up contacts on any contact obstacle for several years now.
6. No weave poles in Jumpers
7. 
8. You may run any course FEO and bring in a toy. Only restrictions on toys are that they don't make noise or contain food. Yes, you may toss the toy.
9. You may do Fix and Continue in most courses if things go awry.
10. No refusals are counted at all in Starters and only at contacts in Advanced. MUST be clean (no off course, or bars) and under time in order to Q in Standard, Jumpers and Grand Prix. The other classes are either time plus faults or dependent on points.
11. Have some Qs in Performance and now can run Championship? Those Qs will be combined together for a Performance title. Eg, you had 3 P3 Jumpers Qs from the past and now want to run Championship. Get 2 more in Championship and that is your P3 Jumpers title.

USDAA's Cynosport will be in Murfreesboro, TN (outside of Nashville) this year in October, so this is also a chance to earn qualifications towards that! 3 Qs in ANY tournaments earns you qualification to Cynosport. OR 2 tournament Qs plus 5 titling Qs.

There are several shows coming up in our area. VIP sports up near Clemson is doing a USDAA show on April 1 and 2.

Sirius Dog Agility will be doing a USDAA on April 8-9 at Wills Park in Alpharetta, GA. Full Speed Ahead will kick off this weekend with a UKI show on Friday April 7. This site is undercover, 2 rings on packed dirt.

Blue Ridge agility will be doing a one day USDAA show followed by a two day UKI show up in Tryon NC on  April 28 (USDAA) and a UKI Show on April 29-30.

All these shows have wonderful judges. The premiums are available on both USDAA's site and UKI's website.

<https://www.usdaa.com/events/event-calendar.cfm>

<https://ukagilityinternational.com/compete/uki-trial-dates/>

New Jump Heights - New Measurement Cutoffs In Effect

Amendments adopted 10/11/2022, new jump heights with new measurement cutoffs are in effect for this event.

Dog Size	Dog Withers Measurement	Championship Jump Heights	Performance Jump Heights	Veterans Jump Heights
Extra Large	> 22"	24"	20"	16" or 12"
Large	≤ 22"	20"	16"	12"
Medium	≤ 18"	16"	12"	08"
Small	≤ 15"	12"	08"	04"
Extra Small	≤ 12"	08"	04"	

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