

Equipment panel Report July 2018

From January meeting

A minimum height for jump wings has been included in the changes to equipment needed for both of the options on jump heights.

Pipe Tunnel

In looking at the pipe tunnel it has been pointed out that a 3 meter tunnel cannot be used. This has been addressed with a proposal to change rule H(1)(B)3.i.

We have produced the following guidance for the pipe tunnel this is for discussion and approval prior to issuing it.

Guidance for Pipe Tunnel

Condition

Pipe tunnels should be in good condition with no exposed wire.

Shape

Tunnels should have a single curve.

3 meter tunnels should be straight or a slight curve with a minimum distance between openings of 2 meters.

4 meter tunnels should not curve more than 90 degrees with a minimum distance between openings of 2.8 meters.

Position

When using tunnels under a dog walk, A-Frame or near walls indoors, care should be taken to ensure that the tunnel will not hit them. Judges should ensure that no part of the tunnel is actually touching or might touch them.

Securing

When using straps they should cover multiple coils. They should not be fastened in a way that reduces the diameter of the tunnel.

3 and 4 meter tunnels should be secured by a minimum 3 straps or equivalent.

Tunnels 5 meter or over should be secured by a minimum 4 straps or equivalent.

When using tunnels indoors it may be necessary to use more straps.

Metal cradles and bungee cords must not be used.

Incident Book

Judges and competitors are recording problems with equipment in the incident book. It would assist the panel if this information was passed on to us.

Approval of Equipment

The panel request that the office contact the equipment suppliers to remind them that new equipment need approving prior to its use.

We would like to discuss the following

- 1 The process of approving equipment who should suppliers approach first.
- 2 What changes require approval?
- 3 Should the Panel be able to approve equipment if it is a copy of what has been approved?

Tyre for Large Lower height Dogs.

In the event of no change to the jump heights the panel feel that the height of the tyre for Large Lower height dogs should be looked at.

The horizontal distance shown by the black line in the image below for each height is



Large	440mm
Large LHO	184mm
Medium	494mm
Medium LHO	352mm
Small	453mm
Small LHO	231mm

Dog Walk

The panel have had reports of dog walks with excessive bounce for a number of years. We have talked about this and need more information. We need to know if this is a problem coming up in all Dog Walks or if it is with specific dog walks, information from the incident books would help with this. We will continue looking in to this.

New Tyre

The panel has been approached by Jaycee Jumps with a new tyre. At the time of submitting this report 13 April the panel have not seen it but will report to the council when they have.