

**Welcome to the world
of**

ANY OTHER ANIMAL AGILITY



YES you can now compete with other animals in Agility competitions!

No equines can compete in this competition.

This is a FUN class but every entry receives a score sheet and feedback.

February/March 2022 CLOSING DATE 31st March 2022

We have designed a simple agility course for you to build at home. You will need to adjust the size of each obstacle to suit the size of your animal. A hamster will need a much smaller course than a llama!! This month we have a simple six obstacle course for you to set up. You will find the course plan on page 2 with instructions on how to complete it. Read the notes carefully so that you don't lose valuable marks!!

For this month's course you will need:

- 1. Two uprights with two pool noodles attached (or similar).**
- 2. A small mat or similar piece of square fabric.**
- 3. A frame with ribbons hanging down, this must be nice and thick with plenty of ribbons.**
- 4. A support such as a bucket and two poles.**
- 5. A pole resting on the ground.**



Here is your course diagram for Any Other Animal Agility (not equines) February/March 2022 and instructions.

Build the course as close to the plan as you can, following the instructions on how to build the obstacles on page 1. Follow the arrows as you complete the course. They are important!

You may use a headcollar, lead, neck rope or work your animal loose—at liberty, (fly rugs, protective equipment etc are allowed) You may use treats and clickers but NOT WHIPS OR STICKS OF ANY KIND. THE ANIMAL SHOULD BE SEEN TO BE OBVIOUSLY COMFORTABLE AS HE NEGOTIATES THE OBSTACLES. ANY ABUSE OF THE ANIMAL WILL RESULT IN INSTANT ELIMINATION FROM THE COMPETITION.

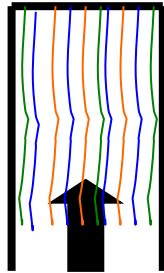
Complete the course in number order following the arrows and instructions shown in each box.

You must not stop or circle BETWEEN obstacles.

The course must be videoed without a break in the filming with the animal and the handler being in shot the wholetime. Do make sure that the obstacle is clearly in view when being negotiated

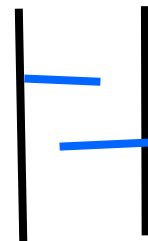
GOOD LUCK!

3. Curtain, ask animal to pass through without hesitation.



4. Place the ends of two poles up on a bucket or other support diagonally opposite each other. Lead animal in a circle round the bucket/support stepping over the poles without touching at walk. (If you have a snake you will not lose marks for touching here.) **The nearer the bucket he walks the higher the mark.**

2. Small mat. Make a mat out of a folded tarp or piece of carpet. Animal to step onto mat with front feet (or front half of body if he has no feet) from walk and wait for a count of three.



5. Pole—Animal to walk over pole with front feet only, halt for a count of three then back up over the pole then walk on over the pole. Any touches of the pole will lose marks. If you have a snake you will not lose marks for touching the pole.

1. Noodle walk. With two noodles only, attach them to two uprights so that they overlap (see picture). Ask animal to wait for a count of three then pass through noodles Make sure noodles are at animal's chest height.

FINISH

START