

# Checklist for Video Titling

**Field Prep** – see diagrams for small and large fields in Chapter 5 of the NATE Official Rules Handbook.

## 1. Set up a goal area

- Size is 15' W X 5' D set against the back boundary.
- Use at least 3' high sturdy material on 3 sides: back, right and left sides (exercise pen, lattice).
- Mark the goal line with tape, chalk, rope, etc.
- Sides of goal must be stable with dog able to play ball off the outside without them moving or being held.
- Any bumper within the goal area must be set no closer than 2' behind the goal line.

## 2. Mark handler area

- Size is 25' W X 5' D directly in front of goal area.
- Mark the line with cones, tape, chalk, rope, etc.

## 3. Set up outside edge of field

- Use cones, other markers, or fencing to mark sides and back of field area.
- A & B divisions Pre-Novice and Novice; Veteran division all levels field may be 50' L X 35'W, 50'L X 50'W, or 75' L X 50' W.
- A & B divisions Intermediate, Advanced and Masters field must be 75' L X 50' W.

## 4. Mark field distances from the goal line (Recommended)

- Mark the point ball distance with a larger more distinguishable cone/sign.
- Mark every five feet with a smaller cone/sign. This will help the judge with depth perception. If you skip this and are playing Balls N Order, check that you have marked the minimum ball roll back distance.

## 5. Set up video camera

- Use a tripod or hold camera very steady.
- Set up where best able to see goal, entire handler area, and ball formation.
- On Intermediate and above pan as necessary at the start of the run to show marking of point ball distance line and entry into field. (Recommended)
- Don't shoot into the sun.

## Check Video of Runs

- Marking for point ball distance line is shown.
- Balls are in correct formation and no more than 6" apart (Pre-Novice 12").
- Entrance and exit from field is shown. Dog enters and exits on leash.
- Ball order is stated or shown for Balls N Order.
- Both dog and handler are always visible.
- Dog lies down within the handler or goal area at the end of the run.
- Video has original soundtrack and is not edited from the time the team enters the field to the time the team exits the field.

## Check Video Upload Formatting

- Video is public or unlisted.
- Name of the youtube or vimeo videos must enable judges to be able to identify.
- Combined runs in one video must use a title page or caption to note each run.