



Video Recording Quick Reference Guide

How to Capture Perfect Gait Analysis Footage

Setup Checklist

- ✓ Location: Outdoor hard surface (pavement, concrete, tarmac)
- ✓ Space: 20-30 feet of clear, straight path
- ✓ Lighting: Overcast day or open shade (no harsh shadows)
- ✓ Equipment: Smartphone in landscape mode
- ✓ Handler: Someone to walk dog on loose lead
- ✓ Camera height: Crouch to dog's eye level

Recording Sequence (One Continuous Take)

WALKING PACE:

1. Front View: Dog walks toward you. Stay low, stay still. Film until 5-10 feet away.
2. Side View: Quickly move perpendicular. Film as dog walks past. (Some panning OK)
3. Rear View: Turn around. Film as dog walks away from you.

TROTting PACE (if dog is able):

4. Front View: Repeat same sequence at faster pace
5. Side View: Film as dog trots past
6. Rear View: Film as dog trots away

Key Tips for Success

- Loose lead: Handler keeps lead slack - tight leads change gait
- Natural pace: Let dog move comfortably (don't force speed)
- Stay low: Camera at dog's eye level reveals most detail
- Landscape mode: Always film horizontally (not vertical)
- Imperfect is OK: We can work with partial footage
- Consistency matters: Record same way each time

Common Questions

- Can't trot:** Just capture walking footage.
- Missed angle:** Upload anyway - partial footage is still valuable.
- Dog distracted:** Practice runs help. Choose quiet times/places.
- Camera shaky:** Brace elbows. Some shake is acceptable.

More angles = better data, but we can work with less. Do what your dog can manage!