Skull – Dorsoventral (DV)

Positioning

- Sternal recumbency
- Remove collar
- Ensure mandible parallel with table top
- If under GA ensure ET tube running straight to reduce risk of soft tissue distortion
- Also ensure ears are not tucked under skull as this can cause an artefact
- Centre in the midline, roughly at the level of the orbits - but this can vary depending upon skull shape
- Ensure collimated to cover from tip of nose to entire vault of skull
- Ensure L/R marker in primary beam.

What to look for

- Look at the bullae to check for rotation - all mirrored structure should be equal sizes.

Top Tips

- In deep chested dogs it can be worth raising the cassette off the table top to help get them straight- just remember to adjust your exposure or FFD.