

**RULES AND CONSTITUTION OF  
NEW ZEALAND GREYHOUND RACING ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED)**

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## RULES AND CONSTITUTION OF NEW ZEALAND GREYHOUND RACING ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED)

### CONSTITUTIONAL RULES

#### 1. NAME AND REGISTERED OFFICE

- 1.1 Name:** The official name of the society shall be "New Zealand Greyhound Racing Association (Incorporated)" (in these Rules referred to as the "Association") but may use the trading name of "Greyhound Racing New Zealand".
- 1.2 Registered Office:** The registered office of the Association shall be at such address as the Board from time to time determines.

#### 2. OBJECTS

- 2.1 Objects of the Association:** The objects for which the Association is established are:
- a. To promote and advance Greyhound racing, registration, breeding, safety and welfare in New Zealand, including by way of:
    - i. Instigating research into Greyhound safety and welfare (including diseases and/or illnesses of Greyhounds) or other matters affecting Greyhound racing or breeding;
    - ii. Circulating information on any matter affecting Greyhound racing, registration, breeding, safety and welfare;
    - iii. Co-operating with other organisations, whether inside or outside New Zealand, that are concerned with Greyhound racing, registration or breeding or the objects of which are in whole or in part similar to those of the Association; and
    - iv. Supporting or opposing legislation affecting Greyhound racing, registration or breeding or otherwise affecting the interests of Clubs.
  - b. To formulate and administer rules and regulations governing Greyhound racing and the registration, breeding, safety and welfare of Greyhounds in New Zealand.
  - c. To consider and deal with all matters submitted to the Association in accordance with these Rules.
  - d. To do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.
  - e. Ensure the effective conduct of Greyhound Meetings
- 2.2 Association to be non-profit making:** It shall not be an object of the Association to carry on its affairs for the purpose of pecuniary gain within the meaning of sub-section 4 and 5 of the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.
- 2.3 Revenue to cover costs:** The Association will endeavour to conduct its affairs so that the revenue generated in any financial year will be sufficient to cover the costs of the Association.

- 2.4 **Surplus funds:** Any surplus funds accruing in the accounts of the Association in any financial year will be carried forward to the succeeding financial year and may not be distributed to any Clubs.

### 3. DEFINITIONS

"ACT" means the Racing Act 2003 or any legislation which replace the Racing Act 2003.

"ADJUDICATING STEWARD" means any Steward appointed to adjudicate on objections made pursuant to Rule 91 and charges laid pursuant to Rule 92.

"AGE RACE" means a race conducted in accordance with Rule 51.4.

"ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING" means the annual general meeting of the Association convened under Rule 13.1.

"APPEALS TRIBUNAL" means a group of persons appointed as required by these Rules to hear evidence and determine appeals.

"APPOINTMENTS PANEL" means the panel established pursuant to Rule 17.5.

"APPROPRIATE RACE RUG" means a rug of a type and colour prescribed by the Board.

"APPROVED COMPANY" means a company approved by the Board to be the Owner of a Greyhound pursuant to these Rules.

"APPROVED FACILITY (AI)" means a facility approved by the Board to be used for the purposes of Artificial Insemination.

"APPROVED REGISTRATION AUTHORITY" means a Registration Authority declared by the Association to be an Approved Registration Authority pursuant to Rule 22.

"ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION" means any insemination of a Greyhound bitch carried out by any means other than by sexual intercourse.

"ASSISTANT STEWARDS" means a person appointed or approved by the Board to carry out such duties under these Rules.

"ASSOCIATION" means New Zealand Greyhound Racing Association (Incorporated).

"AUTHORISED PERSON" means a person authorised or approved by the Board or the Stewards from time to time to do certain things, to exercise certain powers, or to deal with certain situations at a Meeting.

"AUTHORISED PERSON (AI)" means a person authorised by the Board pursuant to these Rules to carry out Artificial Insemination.

"BOARD" means the members of the Board of the Association for the time being elected or appointed under these Rules.

"BODY" means and includes any club, Racing or Harness Racing club or combination howsoever designated.

"BOX DRAW" means the random allocation process by which the respective boxes in which Greyhounds shall be placed in order to commence a Race is determined.

"BREEDER" means the Owner of a Greyhound bitch at the time of whelping.

"CENTRAL REGION" means that part of the North Island excluding the Northern Region.

"CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION" means an identification document in respect of a Greyhound issued by an Approved Registration Authority.

"CERTIFICATE OF INCAPACITATION" means a certificate issued in accordance with Rule 82.

"CHIEF EXECUTIVE" means the Chief Executive of the Association for the time being.

"CHIEF STEWARD" means a person appointed to that position by the Board.

"CLUB" means a Greyhound racing club affiliated to the New Zealand Greyhound Racing Association (Inc.).

"CLUB COMMITTEE" means the managing body charged with the administration of a Club.

"COMPANY MANAGER" means the person appointed to be the manager of an Approved Company.

"CONSOLATION RACE" a race for Greyhounds which have raced in a qualifying Race but have failed to gain a start in the Final for which such qualifying Races were held.

"DAY" means the calendar day.

"DEAD-HEAT" means where two (2) or more Greyhounds pass the finishing line at the same time in a Race.

"DEFAULTER" means any person placed on the Defaulter's List.

"DEFAULTER'S LIST" means the list referred to in Rule 90.1.

"DISQUALIFY" means in relation to a Person or a Greyhound means the loss of all rights, licences or registrations under these Rules and Disqualification shall have a corresponding meaning.

"DRUGS" means:

- a. Any substance capable of affecting a Greyhound by its action on the central or peripheral nervous system or any part of that system such as the autonomic nervous system, cardio-vascular system, respiratory system, alimentary-digestive system, musculoskeletal system or genitourinary system and includes without limitation analgesics, antihistamines, anti-inflammatory agents, blood coagulants, diuretics, hormones and their synthetic counterparts, stimulants, corticosteroids, anabolic steroids, local anaesthetics, muscle relaxants and tranquillisers.
- b. Substances administered to disguise or make undetectable, or attempt to disguise or make undetectable, the administration of any of the substances in paragraph (a) above.

- c. A metabolite, isomer or artefact of any of the substances referred to in paragraphs (a) or (b) above irrespective of whether such metabolite, isomer or artefact has any pharmacological effect or not.
- d. Unusual or abnormal amounts of endogenous substances including but not limited to cortisol and testosterone.

"ENQUIRY" means a hearing conducted pursuant to Rule 30.

"FALSE START" means a Race declared by the Stewards to have been a false start pursuant to Rule 76.

"FEATURE RACE" means a race designated as a Feature Race by the Board in accordance with Rule 61.2.

"FIELD" means the Greyhounds in a Race, including reserves.

"FINAL" means a Race held under conditions prescribed by the Board for which eligibility may or may not have been determined in Heats and/or Semi Finals.

"GENERAL MEETING" means either an Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting or both (as the case may be) of the Association.

"GREYHOUND" means a Greyhound to which these Rules apply and includes a dog or a bitch.

"GREYHOUNDS AUSTRALASIA" means Greyhounds Australasia Limited.

"HANDLER" means a person registered by the Board to physically be in charge of a Greyhound whilst such Greyhound is on the Racecourse for racing or the Trainer of a Greyhound or any person that is authorised by the Stewards to be in charge of a Greyhound pursuant to Rules 66.4, 66.5 or 71.5.

"HEAT" means the competitive pursuit of a Lure by two (2) or more Greyhounds in a Race held under conditions prescribed by the Board and by which the eligibility of Greyhounds to be Nominated for a Final is determined.

"ILL" includes suffering from a disease or any fungal viral, bacterial, parasitic or other contagious condition and "ILLNESS" shall have a corresponding meaning.

"INDEPENDENT MEMBER" means those persons appointed to the Board pursuant to Rule 17.

"INTERESTED" – a Board member is Interested in a matter falling for consideration by the Board if he/she:

- a. is personally involved in the matter;
- b. will or may derive a material financial benefit from the matter;
- c. has a material financial interest in another Person involved in the matter;
- d. is a director, officer, member or trustee of another Person involved in the matter;
- e. is a director, officer, member or trustee of a Person who will or may derive a material financial benefit from the matter;
- f. is related to another Person involved in the matter;
- g. is related to a Person who will or may derive a material financial benefit from the matter; or
- h. is otherwise directly or indirectly interested in the transaction.

"INTERESTS REGISTER" means a register to be kept detailing matters falling for consideration by the Board in which Board members are interested.

"IN SEASON" means those times when a Greyhound bitch is in heat.

"INVITATION RACE" means a Race conducted in accordance with Rule 51.

"JUDGE" means a person approved by the Board in accordance with Rule 78.

"LICENSED PERSON" means any person licensed, registered or holding a permit or approval under these Rules and License has a corresponding meaning.

"LITTER MASTER" means the person who is physically responsible for a bitch at the time of whelping.

"LURE" means a lure activated by mechanical or electronic means.

"LURE DRIVER" means a person approved by the Board to carry out the duties of a Lure Driver.

"MAR" means the act of a Greyhound which deliberately turns the head and makes head or muzzle contact with another Greyhound and "MARRING" shall have a corresponding meaning.

"MEETING" means any occasion at which Greyhound racing is scheduled to be conducted pursuant to these Rules.

"MINIMUM STAKE SCHEDULE" means the minimum stake schedule published by the Association from time to time.

"MONTH" means a calendar month.

"MUZZLE" means a guard or strap worn on the head of a Greyhound, of a type approved by the Board.

"NOMINATION" means the submission of an entry in respect of a Greyhound for a Meeting or Race and Nominator and Nominating have a corresponding meaning.

NON TOTALISATOR MEETING means a Meeting for all classes of Greyhounds not utilising the totalisator for betting purposes.

"NO RACE" means a Race declared by the Stewards to be a No Race pursuant to Rule 76.

"NORTHERN REGION" means that area of the North Island north of Taranaki province and eastward above the 39<sup>th</sup> latitude.

"OFFENCE" means the offences pursuant to Rule 88.

"OFFICER OF THE BOARD" means a person authorised by the Board either generally or in a particular instance to make enquiries, give directions or carry out any activity pursuant to these Rules or by direction of the Board.

"OFFICIAL" means any person (by whatever name called) appointed by a Club or the Association to officiate at a Meeting and officiating has a corresponding meaning.

"OWNER" means:

- a. the owner of a Greyhound or part owner of a Greyhound;
- b. any person having an interest in a Greyhound required by the Rules to be registered as a partnership;
- c. any person who is the lessee of a Greyhound.

"OWNER TRAINER" means an Owner who trains a Greyhound of which he/she is an Owner or part Owner.

"PARADE AREA" means the area set aside for the parading of Greyhounds prior to the commencement of a Race.

"PARADE OFFICIAL" means the Official appointed by the Board or Club to carry out certain duties at the Parade Area.

"PARTNERSHIP" means a partnership registered under these Rules.

"PARTNERSHIP MANAGER" means a person appointed as the manager of a partnership in accordance with Rule 114.

"PENALTY" means a Fine, Disqualification, Suspension, Warning Off, cancellation or withdrawal of licence or registration, alteration of the placing of a Greyhound, and any other determination, decision, order or other matter imposed or made pursuant to these Rules by which a person or a Greyhound suffers or incurs a disadvantage, detriment or any restriction whatsoever.

"PERSON" means any persons whether natural or corporate and includes without limitation Clubs, Companies and Trusts.

"PRIZE MONEY" means any monies, rewards, trophies or consideration whatsoever given for competing in a Race.

"QUALIFYING TRIAL" means a trial to be performed by a Greyhound to the satisfaction of the Stewards pursuant to Rule 62.

"RACE" means the competitive pursuit of a Lure by two (2) or more Greyhounds in a Greyhound race and includes a Heat, Consolation Race, Semi-Final or Final.

"RACECOURSE" means land used for the purposes of Greyhound Meetings.

"RACECOURSE INSPECTOR" means a person appointed or approved by the Board to carry out the duties of a Racecourse Inspector pursuant to these Rules.

"REGISTERED" means registered by or with the Association or an Approved Registration Authority and "Registration" has a corresponding meaning.

"RESERVE GREYHOUND" means a Greyhound listed as a reserve for a Race.

"RULES" means the rules of the Association including any amendments which may be made from time to time.

"SATISFACTORY TRIAL" means a trial required to be performed by a Greyhound to the satisfaction of the Stewards pursuant to Rule 81.

"SEMI FINAL" means the competitive pursuit of a Lure by two (2) or more Greyhounds by which the eligibility of Greyhounds to start in a Final is determined.

"SOUTHERN REGION" means the South Island of New Zealand, and Stewart Island.

"SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING" means a special general meeting of the Association convened under Rule 13.5.

"SPECIAL RESOLUTION" means a resolution in relation to which two thirds of the valid votes of those entitled to vote and voting (in person or by proxy) on the matter are cast in favour of the resolution;

"STARTER" means the person appointed by a Club or by the Stewards pursuant to Rule 72.

"STEWARD" means a person appointed or approved by the Board to carry out the duties of a Steward pursuant to these Rules.

"STEWARD IN CHARGE OF THE MEETING" means a Steward designated by the Board to be in charge of a Meeting.

"STUD BOOK" means the official record of all Greyhounds registered in Australia and New Zealand.

"STUD MASTER" means any person having under his/her charge care or control of a Greyhound registered under these Rules for the purposes of breeding.

"SUSPEND" means the withdrawal for any period of any registration, licence, right or privilege granted under these Rules and in relation to a Greyhound means for such period as may be specified under these Rules and Suspension has a corresponding meaning.

"TRAINER" means a person who, for fee, reward or any consideration trains a Greyhound and includes an Owner Trainer.

"TRIALS" means a Meeting at which only training or Satisfactory Trials and/or Qualifying Trials are conducted under the control of a Club.

"TOTALISATOR CLUB" means a Club for the time being holding a betting licence issued under section 45 of the Act and registered under these Rules.

"TOTALISATOR MEETING" means a Meeting at which a totalisator is in operation.

"TOTALISATOR RACING BETTING" has the same meaning as section 5 of the Act.

"VETERINARIAN" means a Veterinarian registered under the Veterinarians Act 1994.

"WARN OFF" means to direct that a particular person shall not be permitted to enter or remain on any part of the ground or premises where a Greyhound Meeting or trial is being held.

## 4. CONSTRUCTION

4.1 In these Rules unless the context or subject matter otherwise indicates or requires:

- a. words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa;
- b. words importing any gender include the other genders;

- c. words importing persons include all bodies and associations corporate or unincorporated;
- d. any reference to these Rules or to a statute, ordinance, code or other law includes any rules, orders, regulations, instruments or other sub-ordinate legislation made under it and consolidations, amendments, re-enactments or replacements or any of them (whether of the same or any other legislative authority having jurisdiction);
- e. expressions cognate with expressions defined in the definitions section shall be construed accordingly.

## **5. COMMENCEMENT**

5.1 These Rules may be cited as the New Zealand Greyhound Racing Rules and shall come into operation on 1 January 2006 and all rules previously made are hereby repealed as from that date.

5.2 Except as in the Rules expressly or by necessary implication provided:-

- a. All persons, things and circumstances appointed or created by or under any of the repealed rules or existing or continuing under any of such rules immediately before the commencement of these Rules, shall under and subject to these Rules, continue to have the same status operation and effect as they respectively would have if such rules had not been so repealed.
- b. In particular and without affecting the generality of the foregoing paragraph such repeal shall not disturb the continuity of status operation or effect of any rule order application, determination, decision, direction, reconstitution, licence, permit, registration, authority, consent, certificate, exemption, approval, disapproval, appointment, nomination, condition, term, notice, fee, liability, or right, made, affected, issued, granted, given, presented, passed, fixed, accrued, incurred or acquired or existing or continuing by or under any of such rules before the commencement of these Rules.

## **6. APPLICATION**

6.1 These Rules shall apply to and be binding on:

- a. Clubs and their committees, their officers, officials and employees;
- b. Any person required to be licensed or registered with the Association under these Rules;
- c. Association officers, Stewards and Officials; and
- d. Every person who so acts to bring themselves within the scope of the Rules.

## **7. FIRST TO HAVE RECOURSE UNDER THESE RULES**

7.1 All persons to whom these Rules apply may not seek any other remedies available to them at law in respect of anything done or omitted to be done under these Rules until they have exhausted all remedies provided for in these Rules in that regard.

## 8. AMENDMENTS TO THESE RULES OR REGULATIONS

With the exception of this Rule and subject to Rule 8.3, these Rules may be amended by a Special Resolution passed at a General Meeting of which fourteen days' notice has been given.

- 8.1 Notice of proposed amendment:** Every notice given under Rule 8 shall set out the wording and purpose of the proposed amendment to these Rules.
- 8.2 Notification to Registrar:** Duplicate copies of every amendment to these Rules shall be delivered to the Registrar of Incorporated Societies in accordance with the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.
- 8.3 IRD approval:** No amendment may be made to Rule 28 (Winding Up) unless it has first been approved by the Inland Revenue Department.

## 9. REGISTRATION OF CLUBS

- 9.1** The Clubs listed in the Second Schedule are as at 1 August 2005 affiliated to the Association under these Rules.
- 9.2 Who may apply to be affiliated:** Any properly organised body of persons formed for the promotion of Greyhound Meetings, and consisting of not fewer than 15 bona fide subscribing members paying not less than \$1.00 per annum, may apply to become affiliated to the Association under these Rules.
- 9.3 Completing application:** Every such application shall be in the form approved by the Board and shall be:
- a. Signed by at least seven members of that body;
  - b. Accompanied by a copy of the rules or proposed rules of that body;
  - c. Accompanied by a certificate signed by the signatories to the application that no person disqualified or suspended under these Rules or otherwise excluded or liable to be excluded from Racecourses is a member of that body;
  - d. Forwarded to the Chief Executive together with, if the Board has determined that an initial affiliation fee shall be payable, the initial affiliation fee of such amount as the Board has determined.
- 9.4 Board to consider applications:** At the first Board meeting after the Chief Executive receives an application for affiliation, the Board may either grant or refuse the application or hold the application for further consideration PROVIDED THAT affiliation shall not be granted to any body which under its rules sanctions the division or apportionment among its members, whether at any time during its existence or in the event of its dissolution, of the whole or any part of its property or surplus funds.
- 9.5 Register of Clubs:** The Chief Executive shall keep in such form as the Board from time to time approves, a Register of the particulars of every affiliated Club. The Register shall be conclusive proof for the purpose of these Rules, of whether any Club is affiliated, and of all particulars entered in it.
- 9.6 Name changes to be notified:** If a Club changes its name, it shall notify the Chief Executive who shall note such change in the Register.

- 9.7 Cancellation of affiliation:** A Club's affiliation may be cancelled by the Board if it is satisfied that:
- a. Registration was secured by any false or fraudulent representation, or by the production of any false certificate or other document; or
  - b. The Club is unable to pay its debts as they become due in the normal course of business;
- by the Board giving notice (by registered mail, courier or by facsimile) to that effect to the Club concerned.
- 9.8 Notification of suspension or cancellation:** If a Club's affiliation is suspended or cancelled, the Chief Executive shall forthwith notify each Club and record that fact in the Register (either by way of note in the case of suspension or by removing the name of the Club in the case of cancellation).
- 9.9** If on appeal any such suspension or cancellation is varied, set aside or cancelled, the result of the appeal shall be noted in the Register (by restoring the name of the Club, if necessary) and notified to each Club.
- 9.10 Re-affiliation:** Any Club the affiliation of which is cancelled under this Rule may apply for re-affiliation to the Association.

## **10. CLUBS' ONGOING OBLIGATIONS**

- 10.1 Annual affiliation fee:** The Board may, on or before 31 March in each year, determine that an annual affiliation fee shall be payable and determine the amount of that annual affiliation fee. If the Board makes such a determination, then in order to maintain its affiliation, a Club must pay such annual affiliation fee to the Association before 31 May in the relevant year.
- 10.2 Limitation of expenditure:** No Club shall without the prior written approval of the Board spend any monies received by it except in payment of Prize Money, in improving its race track and amenities, in the purchase and equipment of a new race track or tracks, in administration charges, in payment of any monies due by it to the Association under these Rules, or in the interests of Greyhound racing generally, or for any patriotic or charitable purposes, or in payment of any debt contracted by it in respect of any of the foregoing purposes and of reasonable interest on any such debt.
- 10.3 Financial statements:** Within 14 days after its Annual General Meeting, a Club must forward to the Chief Executive, its financial statements, duly audited and certified showing the true state of the Club's finances.
- 10.4 Building or alteration plans:** Any Club undertaking any building project (including stands or kennels) or making alterations to a track (including boxes, fencing, lure and photo finish) must furnish to the Board for its approval a plan, prepared and certified as correct by a registered civil engineer or surveyor and signed by the Club secretary, showing the extent and design of the work to be undertaken (including the exact length of such Club's track where alterations are to be made).
- 10.5 Business Plan, Track Maintenance Schedule and Budget:** Each Club registered with the Association shall provide the Board with a copy of their formal business plan, Track Maintenance Schedule and Budget for the year ahead prior to the commencement of each Racing season on 1 August each year.



- b. The Board's report on its activities;
- c. The audited financial statements;
- d. The Chief Executive's and scrutineers' reports on elections of Board members;
- e. The text of any proposed resolution to amend these Rules; and
- f. The text of any other motions the Chief Executive has been advised will be put at the meeting.

**13.4 Business of Annual General Meeting:** The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be:

- a. To adopt the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and any Special General Meetings;
- b. To receive and consider the Board's report on its activities (includes the Chairman's address);
- c. To receive and consider the audited financial statements;
- d. Receiving the Chief Executive's and Scrutineers' reports on elections of Board members;
- e. To consider any resolutions to amend these Rules of which 14 days' notice has been given to Clubs;
- f. To consider other motions for resolution (whether or not such motions were included in the papers for the Meeting under Rule 13.3);
- g. To appoint an Auditor and to authorise the Board to fix the Auditor's remuneration;
- h. To consider such other general business as the meeting resolves to consider.

**13.5 Special General Meetings:** The Chief Executive shall convene a Special General Meeting on a date and at a venue determined by the Board:

- a. Upon the direction of the Board from time to time, for the consideration of such matters as it thinks fit; or
- b. Upon requisition in writing signed by not less than 3 Clubs (any such requisition shall include full details of the business to be dealt with at the proposed Special General Meeting).

**13.6 Notice of Special General Meeting:** The Chief Executive shall give to all Clubs at least 14 days' notice in writing of the time and place fixed for the Special General Meeting, and the business to be transacted thereat.

**13.7 Business of Special General Meetings:** No business other than that stated in the convening notice shall be transacted at any Special General Meeting.

## 14. MEETING PROCEDURE

- 14.1 Chairman:** The Chairman of an Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting shall be the Chairman of the Board. If the Chairman is unavailable, the Board shall appoint one of its number to chair the meeting in the Chairman's absence.
- 14.2 Quorum:** A quorum for a General Meeting is five Club representatives.
- 14.3 Attendees:** Every General Meeting shall be a meeting of:
- a. The Board;
  - b. Life Members;
  - c. Club Representatives;
  - d. The Chief Executive;
  - e. Any person who has an interest in Greyhound racing, and any other person invited by the Board to attend the meeting, provided that all such persons may not address the meeting without the consent of the Chairman.
- 14.4 Exercise of powers by resolution:** Any power, duty or function to be exercised or performed by the Association under these Rules shall be exercised or performed only by a resolution of a General Meeting.
- 14.5 Ordinary resolution:** Unless otherwise provided in these Rules every resolution of the Association shall be duly made if a simple majority of the valid votes recorded in person or by proxy are in favour of the resolution.
- 14.6 When resolutions effective:** A resolution of a General Meeting shall take effect from the date specified in such resolution or where no such date is specified, from one month after the making of the resolution.
- 14.7 Copies to Clubs:** A copy of every resolution passed at a General Meeting shall be sent to each Club within 14 days of the General Meeting.
- 14.8 Voting power:** At any General Meeting, each Club shall be entitled to one vote, which shall be exercised by that Club's representative or by proxy.
- 14.9 Casting vote:** The Chairman shall have a casting vote in the case of an equality of votes.
- 14.10 No voting rights:** Other persons (including Life Members) entitled under Rule 14.3 to be present at a General Meeting shall be entitled to speak but not vote.
- 14.11 Voting method:** At any General Meeting a resolution put to the vote shall be decided by a show of hands unless a poll is (before, or on, the declaration of the result of the show of hands) demanded by the Chairman of the General Meeting or at least three Club representatives. Unless a poll is so demanded, a declaration by the Chairman that a resolution has, on a show of hands, been carried, or carried unanimously, or by a particular majority, or lost, shall be conclusive evidence of the fact, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of, or against that resolution.
- 14.12 Poll:** If a poll is duly demanded, it shall be taken in such manner as the Chairman directs and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded.

**14.13 When poll to be held:** A poll demanded on the election of a Chairman or on a question of adjournment, shall be held forthwith. A poll demanded on any other question shall be taken at such time as the Chairman directs.

**14.14 Delegation to the Board:** The Association may delegate to the Board any power, duty or function of the Association under these Rules (other than the power to amend these Rules) specified in the resolution making such delegation. Every such delegation shall take effect from the making thereof or from some later date stated in the resolution, and every act done in due pursuance of such delegation shall for all purposes be deemed to be an act of the Association.

## **15. THE BOARD**

There shall be a Board of the Association which shall consist of seven members, comprising three regional representatives, three Independent Members and one Licensed Person Representative, to be elected or appointed from time to time in the manner set out in these Rules.

## **16. REGIONAL AND LICENSED PERSON REPRESENTATIVES**

**16.1 Number of Regional Representatives:** There shall be one representative for each of the Northern, Central and Southern Regions.

**16.2 Licensed Person Representative:** There shall be one Licensed Person Representative.

**16.3 Call for nominations:** On or about 1 July each year, the Chief Executive shall give written notice:

- a. Inviting nominations for the office of regional representative in respect of those regions whose representative's term will expire in that year, to each Club in the relevant region(s); and
- b. If the incumbent Licensed Person representative's term will expire that year, to all Licensed Persons inviting nominations for the office of Licensed Person representative.

**16.4 Regional Representative nominations:** A Club may nominate one person for election as its Regional Representative by delivering a written notice of nomination, signed by the President or Chairman and the Secretary of that Club and by the nominee specifying for which region each nominee is being nominated, to the Chief Executive by 10 am on 20 May (or, if in any year 20 May falls on a weekend, by 10 am on the first working day after that weekend).

**16.5 Licensed Person Representative nominations:** A person may be nominated for election as a Licensed Person representative by a written notice of nomination signed by ten (10) Licensed Persons and by the nominee and which is delivered to the Chief Executive by 10 am on 20 May (or, if in any year 20 May falls on a weekend, by 10 am on the first working day after that weekend).

**16.6 Eligibility for nomination:** In the case of a Regional representative, the nominee must have been resident in the region for which he/she is nominated since at least 20 February in the year in which he/she is nominated.

**16.7 Voting Papers:** Forthwith after nominations close, the Chief Executive shall forward one voting paper:

- a. Bearing the names of all regional representative candidates to each Club in the region(s) for which an election is to be held PROVIDED THAT if no nominations or only one nomination are received in a region, then the Chief Executive shall instead give written notice to all Clubs to that effect and no election shall be held for that region; and
- b. Bearing the names of all Licensed Person representative candidates to each Licensed Person with an election statement provided by each Licensed Person representative candidate of no more than 250 words.

The Chief Executive shall send out with each voting paper, an envelope addressed to the Association and bearing the words "voting paper", in which voting papers are to be returned.

- 16.8 Completion of voting paper:** Each Club Committee or each Licensed Person (as the case may be) shall strike out on the voting paper the names of the candidates for whom it does not wish to vote, leaving untouched the name of not more than one candidate for whom it votes. The voting paper shall then be signed by the President or Chairman and the Secretary of the Club or by the Licensed Person (as the case may be) and returned to the Chief Executive by 10 am on 15 June, in an envelope supplied by the Association bearing the words "voting paper" (or, if in any year 15 June falls on a weekend, by 10 am on the first working day after that weekend). Any voting paper which does not comply with this Rule is invalid.
- 16.9 Appointment of Scrutineers:** On or before 15 June, the Chief Executive shall appoint two scrutineers and fix a day (not to be later than 20 June) for opening the voting papers.
- 16.10 Counting of votes:** On the day so fixed, the Chief Executive, in the presence of the scrutineers, shall open the voting papers and after setting aside all invalid voting papers, count the number of valid votes recorded for each candidate. After the count, the voting papers shall be retained by the Chief Executive for three months, and then destroyed.
- 16.11 Successful Regional Representative candidate:** The candidate who receives the highest number of votes in a region, shall be declared by the Chief Executive to be duly elected to the Board as the regional representative of that region.
- 16.12 Successful Licensed Person Representative candidate:** The candidate who receives the highest number of votes shall be declared by the Chief Executive to be duly elected to the Board as the Licensed Person representative.
- 16.13 Equality of votes:** Where there is an equality of votes between candidates:
- a. If a tied candidate is a sitting member, that candidate shall be declared re-elected; or
  - b. If no tied candidate is a sitting member, the Chief Executive, in the presence of the scrutineers, shall determine by lot which candidate shall be elected.
- 16.14 Announcement of result:** The Chief Executive and the scrutineers shall forthwith report the result of the election to all Clubs within 14 days of the date of the election and to all Licensed Persons in any official publication of the Association.

**16.15 Commencement and term of office:** Every regional representative or Licensed Person representative so elected shall take office from the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting and shall hold office for a period of two years.

**16.16 Where no election held:** Where no election is held in a region because no nominations were received, the Board shall recommend to the ensuing Annual General Meeting, the name of a person deemed by it to be suitable to fill the vacancy. The Annual General Meeting may endorse the Board's recommendation, or it may appoint some other person from those present at the Annual General Meeting to fill the vacancy on the Board, and in either case the person so endorsed or appointed shall be declared duly elected to the Board as the regional representative of that region.

## **17. INDEPENDENT MEMBERS**

**17.1 Number of Independent Members:** There shall be three Independent Members.

**17.2 Advertise for applicants:** On or about 1 May each year, the Chief Executive shall cause to be advertised in the Association's magazine and in such other industry publications and daily newspapers as the Board determines, the position of Independent Member of the Board.

**17.3 Content of advertisement:** The advertisement shall:

- a. Specify the criteria to be met by applicants (such as expertise in management, marketing, sales, law or finance);
- b. Set out the eligibility criteria specified in Rule 17.4;
- c. Contain such other information about the role and the Association as the Board determines; and
- d. Invite applicants to forward a curriculum vitae to the Chief Executive by 30 May.

**17.4 Eligibility of applicants:** An applicant for the office of Independent Member:

- a. Need not be nominated by a Club;
- b. Must not have been a committee or Board member, or employee of any Club or employee of the Association at any time within the 2 years prior to his/her application;
- c. May be, or may have been, a member of a Club;
- d. Need not have had active involvement in Greyhound racing, but ought to have an interest in Greyhound racing;
- e. May not depend for his/her livelihood on Greyhound ownership, training or breeding; and
- f. Must not at any time have been disqualified for any Offence.
- g. Must not be a person whom there is reasonable cause to believe may bring Greyhound racing into disrepute.

- 17.5 Appointments Panel:** There shall be an appointments panel comprising the three incumbent regional representatives and the Licensed Person representative.
- 17.6 Procedure:** Forthwith after 30 May, the Chief Executive shall forward any applications received to the appointments panel, provided that if the Chief Executive determines that the number of applications warrants it, he/she may first (and either before or after 30 May) engage the services of a recruitment agency to assist with the review of applications, and refer only those applications recommended by the agency to the appointments panel.
- 17.7 Time for making of appointment:** The appointments panel shall, by 20 June, appoint one or more applicants who meet the criteria in Rule 17.4 as Independent Members provided that the total number of Independent Members may not at any time exceed three.
- 17.8 Announcement of result:** The Chief Executive shall forthwith in any official publication of the Association report to all Clubs and to all Licensed Persons the result of the appointments process.
- 17.9 Commencement and term of office:** Every Independent Member so appointed shall take office from the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting and shall hold office for a period of two years.
- 17.10 Where insufficient applicants:** Where insufficient applications are received, the Board shall recommend to the ensuing Annual General Meeting, the name of a person or persons deemed by it to be suitable to fill the vacancy. The Annual General Meeting may endorse the Board's recommendation (in which case the person so endorsed shall be declared duly appointed to the Board as an Independent Member), or it may direct the Board to re-advertise the position.

## **18. VACANCY OF AND REMOVAL FROM OFFICE**

- 18.1 Vacancy of office:** The office of any Board member shall become vacant if the member dies, or:
- a. Resigns in writing; or
  - b. Is absent without leave of the Chairman from more than two successive meetings; or
  - c. Is Disqualified for any Offence; or
  - d. In the case of a regional representative, ceases to reside in the region he/she was elected to represent; or
  - e. In the case of a regional representative or an Independent Member, is removed from office at an Annual or Special General Meeting (provided that the notice of meeting stated that one of the matters to be considered at the meeting was the removal of the Board member); or
  - f. In the case of a Licensed Person representative, is removed by an ordinary resolution of Licensed Persons (a poll of Licensed Persons for that purpose being conducted by the Chief Executive if the Board, other than the incumbent Licensed Person representative, so determines, or on the request of 10% or more of Licensed Persons).
- 18.2 Filling of vacancy:** If a vacancy arises on the Board, the Board shall either:

- a. Conduct an election process under Rule 16 or an appointment process under Rule 17, as appropriate (with such modifications as to closing dates for voting and other matters as the Board considers necessary); or
- b. Appoint such person as it thinks fit to fill the vacancy.

Every person so elected or appointed shall hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of office of the person in whose place they have been elected or appointed, but shall be eligible for re-election or re-appointment.

- 18.3 Nominations from Clubs where no quorum:** If, due to the number of vacancies, there is not available a quorum of the Board to fill the same by appointment pursuant to Rule 18.2, the remaining members of the Board shall direct the Chief Executive to call for nominations from Clubs to fill such vacancies, following the procedures set out in Rule 18.2 to the extent possible but adjusting the dates for the closing of nominations and receipt of voting papers to such dates as the remaining members of the Board determine. All persons elected under this Rule shall hold office only for the unexpired portion of the term of office of the person in whose place they have been elected, but shall be eligible for re-election.

## **19. CONTINUATION IN OFFICE IN LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCE**

For the purpose of determining any matter of a judicial nature which has been partly heard by particular Board members, but for no other purpose, those Board members shall, notwithstanding the election or appointment of their successors, continue in office until such matter is finally determined.

## **20. BOARD MEETINGS**

- 20.1 When held:** Meetings of the Board shall be held at such times and at such places as the Board or the Chairman from time to time determines.
- 20.2 Chairman:** The members of the Board shall elect one of their number to be Chairman of the Board.
- 20.3 Chairman to preside:** The Chairman of the Board shall preside at every Board meeting at which he/she is present. In the absence of the Chairman, the members present shall elect one of their number to be Chairman of that meeting.
- 20.4 Notice:** At least fourteen (14) days written notice of any Board meeting shall be given to each Board member by the Chief Executive, unless all Board members attend the meeting and waive that notice requirement.
- 20.5 Quorum:** The quorum for a Board meeting shall be five Board members.
- 20.6 Ordinary resolution:** The Board shall exercise or perform any power, duty or function conferred or imposed on it by these Rules by way of an ordinary resolution of those Board members entitled to vote and voting on the matter.
- 20.7 Voting rights:** Each Board member shall have one vote on any resolution, and in the case of an equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a casting vote.
- 20.8 Board to determine conduct of meetings:** The Board may regulate the conduct of business at its meetings in such manner as it thinks fit.

- 20.9 Written resolutions:** The Board may, if it thinks fit, transact any of its business by the circulation of papers among all of the Board members, and a resolution in writing approved in writing by a majority of the Board members entitled to vote on a matter shall be taken to be a decision of the Board.
- 20.10 Telephone etc meetings:** The Board may, if it thinks fit, transact any of its business at a meeting held by the contemporaneous linking together by telephone, closed-circuit television or other means of communication.
- 20.11 Interested Board members:** A Board member who is Interested, directly or indirectly, in a matter falling for consideration by the Board (including any transaction to which the Association is a party), must immediately disclose the nature of the interest to the Board and ensure that the Chief Executive enters details of the Board member's interest in the Interests Register.
- 20.12 Interested member may not vote:** A Board member who is Interested in a matter falling for consideration by the Board may be counted in the quorum at the Board meeting at which such matter is to be considered and may take part in the Board's deliberations, but may not vote on the matter.
- 20.13 Chief Executive's role:** The Chief Executive shall:
- a. Be entitled to attend and speak at all Board meetings but shall have no voting rights;
  - b. Ensure the proceedings of each Board meeting are properly recorded in the minutes of the meetings of the Board.
- 20.14 Leave of absence:** The Board may grant any member leave of absence for a period of not less than three months, and may allow that member to appoint an alternate member to act in that member's place during such absence.

## **21. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD**

- 21.1 Overall Power:** The Board shall be responsible for managing the business and affairs of all aspects of the Greyhound racing and breeding industry in New Zealand in accordance with these Rules.
- 21.2 General Powers:** The Board shall have the following general powers and duties:
- a. To control, in accordance with these Rules, all Greyhound racing conducted in New Zealand;
  - b. To ensure that all the requirements of these Rules are duly observed by all persons and bodies to whom they apply;
  - c. To license or register persons under these Rules;
  - d. To Suspend, deregister, Disqualify or Warn Off as it deems necessary in the best interests of Greyhound racing or its related activities in New Zealand
  - e. To hold or direct any Person to hold any inquiry or investigation into any matter affecting the management or good governance of Greyhound racing;
  - f. To require any Club, Licensed Person, or other person or body to whom these Rules apply to produce any books, papers or documents for inspection (including for the purposes of any investigation);

- g. To initiate, develop and implement policies conducive to the economic development and financial welfare of Greyhound racing;
- h. To do all things necessary to ensure that the business of Greyhound racing shall be efficiently administered and managed and to that end and for the better control of Greyhound racing to give such orders and directions to and require such particulars and information from Clubs, Licensed Persons and persons who are registered under these Rules as it deems necessary;
- i. To promulgate, implement and uphold a Code of Practice relating to the safety and welfare of Greyhounds;
- j. To employ or engage the services of such personnel and pay such salaries or wages as it determines;
- k. To terminate the employment of any such personnel in accordance with the terms of the employee's employment contract and the law;
- l. To purchase or otherwise acquire any real or personal property and any rights and privileges which it may think necessary or convenient for the purposes of the business of the Association and to sell or otherwise dispose of the property of the Association or any part thereof for such consideration and in such manner as it may think fit;
- m. To borrow or raise money (but not exceeding by more than 10% in any one year the amount specified in the approved budget for that year, unless approval is given by the Clubs by letter) in such manner as it may think fit and to secure and guarantee the performance by the Association or any person or body of any obligation undertaken by the Association or any other person or body as the case may be;
- n. To provide loans to Clubs at any rate of interest (including interest free) as it sees fit;
- o. To purchase, redeem or pay off any securities given by or on behalf of the Association;
- p. To invest and reinvest the whole or any part of the Association's funds not required for the immediate business of the Association, provided that the Board in exercising such power shall exercise the care, diligence, and skill that a prudent person of business would exercise in managing the affairs of others;
- q. Subject to such directions as may from time to time be given by the Association, to incur such expenditure as may be necessary to carry out the business of the Association and of any committee thereof, including such expenditure as may be necessary to meet all expenses reasonably incurred by the members of the Board in carrying out their duties;
- r. To determine fees payable in respect of all appeals and other applications made to, and all licences, consents, registrations and other documents issued by the Association;
- s. To have the custody and control of all books, papers, documents and records and other property of the Association, and, subject to any express provisions in these Rules, and to such directions as may from time to time be given by

the Association, to manage and administer the funds of the Association, and authorise and control the expenditure of those funds;

- t. To establish committees and/or to appoint sub-committees from within its own number and to delegate to such committee or sub-committee such powers and responsibilities as it shall determine (other than its power of appointing the Chief Executive and Stewards);
- u. To make decisions on any disputes or questions referred to it, which decisions shall (subject to any other provision of these Rules and to any right of appeal any person may have under these Rules) be final and binding upon all Clubs and other persons affected by it;
- v. To lay a charge or charges by lodging with the Chief Executive a complaint in writing charging any person or body with the commission of an Offence.
- w. To consider and determine any matter that arises and which is not provided for in these Rules in such manner as it deems fit, and every such determination shall be binding upon all Clubs and other persons affected by it; and
- x. Disqualify either permanently or temporarily any Greyhound which, in the opinion of the Board, has been used for, or in connection with an Offence, or which has been entered or Nominated to run, or allowed to run in a Race or Satisfactory Trial under a fraudulent description, or failed to pursue the Lure during the Race or Satisfactory Trial.
- y. Exclude from participation in Greyhound racing, any Greyhound which is not Registered in accordance with these Rules or an Approved Registration Authority.
- z. Prescribe conditions for all Registrations of Persons and Greyhounds including conditions for leasing of Greyhounds, the form of lease, registration of leases and rules governing the rights and obligations of parties to such leasing arrangements.
- aa. Prohibit any Person from participating or being employed in an honorary capacity, or for reward or remuneration in Greyhound racing, either as an Official or employee of a Club, where such action is necessary for the proper conduct of Greyhound racing.
- bb. By notice in writing to any Person Registered under these Rules, the Board may prohibit such Person taking part in any Greyhound Race, Meeting or Satisfactory Trial held by any Greyhound racing Club which is not Registered under these Rules.
- cc. To seek formal approval of Clubs for Board capital expenditure in excess of \$250,000 for any one project excluding operating costs.
- dd. All other powers, duties and obligations contained in these Rules.

**21.3 Specific powers:** The Board shall have the following specific powers and duties:

- a. To appoint a Chief Executive of the Association and enter into an employment agreement with such remuneration and on such terms and conditions as the Board shall think fit;

- b. To adopt clearly defined delegations of authority from the Board to the Chief Executive or to any other Person the Board deems appropriate;
  - c. Appoint Dates Subcommittee: To appoint a dates sub-committee of the Board comprising the three Regional Representatives, and an independent Chairman, to receive applications for and co-ordinate dates for the following racing season;
  - d. Appoint Stewards: To appoint from time to time such number of Stewards for the purposes of these Rules as it thinks fit (but, in any case, not fewer than two), and to pay such salary or other remuneration for services as it determines;
  - e. Appoint Assistant Stewards: To appoint from time to time such number of Assistant Stewards for the purposes of these Rules as it thinks fit, and to pay such salary or other remuneration for services as it determines (such Assistant Stewards to have the same duties, rights and obligations as Stewards, except to the extent that these Rules otherwise provide);
  - f. Appoint Racecourse Inspectors: To appoint from time to time such number of Racecourse Inspectors for the purposes of these Rules as it thinks fit, and to pay such salary or other remuneration for services as it determines;
  - g. Appoint Appeals Tribunal: To appoint a tribunal to hear and determine any appeals lodged pursuant to these Rules;
  - h. Regulations: To make, alter or rescind:
    - i. regulations (not inconsistent with these Rules) for the conduct of the business of the Association at General Meetings or of any committee of the Association or any other person or body charged with any power, duty or function under these Rules;
    - ii. regulations (not inconsistent with these Rules) or other directives or procedures for persons forming partnerships for the purposes of owning Greyhounds under these Rules; and
    - iii. such orders (not inconsistent with these Rules) as it deems necessary for promoting, regulating and improving Greyhound racing in New Zealand.
- 21.4 Where any member of the Board has reasonable cause to suspect an Offence is about to, or may take place, or has taken place, at any Meeting, Race or Trial the Chairman may authorise any such member for the purpose of preventing or detecting an enquiry into such Offence to (subject to the laws of trespass):
- a. Enter and inspect any land, track, building, or other place in or about which such Meeting, Race or Trial is being held or is about to be held or is being conducted by any Clubs;
  - b. Make, alter or vary all or any of the arrangements for the conduct of such Meeting, Race or Trial;
  - c. Require the secretary of the Club conducting such Meeting, Race or Trial production of all books, particulars of entry or Nomination and or documents relating to the Meeting, Race or Trial of any Greyhound Nominated or entered or present at the Meeting, Race or Trial;

- d. Order any examination of any Greyhound for the purposes of ascertaining its age or identity for any other purpose;
- e. Order the scratching or withdrawal of any Greyhound from a Race or Trial;
- f. Order the removal of any Muzzle or rug;
- g. Remove at any time during the hours of Racing the Judge, Steward or Stewards or other Officials and act in his/her or their stead or appoint a substitute or substitutes for him/her or them;
- h. Appoint any Official necessary in his/her opinion for the proper conduct of the Meeting, Race or Trial if he/she is of the opinion that the Club Committee or other governing body of the Club has failed or neglected to do so;
- i. Take possession and detain for the purposes of enquiry for a period not exceeding 14 days the Greyhound which in the opinion of such member of the Board there are reasonable grounds for believing or suspecting the omission or intention or attempt to commit an Offence;
- j. Enquire into or direct the Steward or Stewards to enquire into whether there has been committed or attempted to commit an Offence.

**21.5 Powers Board cannot exercise:** Nothing in this Rule 21 shall authorise the Board to exercise any power required by these Rules to be exercised by the Association or any Club or Person.

**21.6 Duties of Board members:** In exercising powers or performing duties under these Rules, each Board member shall:

- a. Act in good faith in the best interests of the Association and its objects;
- b. Exercise the degree of skill and care that a reasonable person would exercise in the same circumstances;
- c. Comply with these Rules;
- d. Use the powers of office for a proper purpose.

## **22. APPROVED REGISTRATION AUTHORITY**

**22.1** The Board may from time to time declare (and may revoke or amend any such declaration) that a body responsible for the Registration of Persons or Greyhounds in any State of Australia is an Approved Registration Authority for the purpose of these Rules.

**22.2** Any person or Greyhound Registered with an Approved Registration Authority shall, while outside New Zealand, be deemed to be Registered with the Association for the purpose of these Rules.

**22.3** Any termination or suspension of such Registration or Disqualification of such person or Greyhound by an Approved Registration Authority shall constitute a like termination, or Disqualification by the Association.

**22.4** Any person who is deemed to be registered with the Association by virtue of this Rule and who participates in any activity in New Zealand which is subject to regulation by

the Association, shall thereupon be subject to these Rules as if that person was Registered with the Association.

- 22.5 The bodies listed in the Third Schedule are as at 1 August 2005 Approved Registration Authorities.

### 23. LEVIES ON CLUBS

- 23.1 For the purpose of meeting expenditure properly incurred, or to be incurred, by it in any year, the Board may from time to time make levies on Clubs.

- 23.2 The amount of the levy to be paid by each Club, and the time or times at which such levy shall be paid, shall be fixed by the Board and approved at the Annual General Meeting. The levy statement is to be supported by a cash flow and budget forecast for the financial year under review.

- 23.3 The levy shall be payable at the times approved at the Annual General Meeting and there shall be submitted to the Annual General Meeting in each year a statement as at the 30 June of the Clubs (if any) which have not paid the amount of levy for that year. The Annual General Meeting may penalise any such Club pursuant to these Rules.

### 24. GENERAL ACCOUNT

- 24.1 All moneys received by or on behalf of the Association shall forthwith be paid to the credit of the Association in a bank account nominated by the Board from time to time.

- 24.2 All cheques or withdrawal slips drawn on the Association's bank account shall be signed by any two of the persons duly delegated for that purpose by the Board from time to time.

### 25. ACCOUNTS

- 25.1 The Board shall cause to be kept in such form as it from time to time thinks fit, full and proper accounts and all such accounts shall be audited by an auditor who is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of New Zealand who shall be appointed at each Annual General Meeting.

- 25.2 As soon as convenient after the balance date in each year, the Board shall have prepared and audited financial statements showing fully the financial position of the Association for the twelve month period to the balance date. The said audited financial statements shall be forwarded to each Club at least 20 days prior to the Annual General Meeting, and shall be submitted to that meeting for approval.

### 26. INDEMNIFICATION

- 26.1 The Association shall indemnify against damages or costs awarded by any Court, or against costs incurred in defending legal proceedings, each of the following persons:

- a. Officers of the Association;
- b. Members of the Board;
- c. Club Representatives;
- d. Stewards;
- e. Racecourse Inspectors;
- f. Members of the Appeal Tribunal; and

g. Any person employed by the Association,

in respect of anything done or omitted to be done by them in connection with the administration of Greyhound racing or by the exercise of any particular power, duty or function under these Rules, except in the case of wilful default or fraudulent acts or omissions.

26.2 The Board may effect any appropriate insurance cover for any Board member or employee of the Association at the Association's expense.

## 27. COMMON SEAL

The Association shall maintain a Common Seal which shall be kept in the custody of the Chief Executive and shall be affixed to any document only by the authority of the Board and in the presence of any two Board members or one Board member and the Chief Executive, as authorised by resolution of the Board to that effect.

## 28. WINDING UP

28.1 The Association may be wound up at any time by a special resolution of a General Meeting. Written notice of any proposal to wind up the Association shall be delivered to the Chief Executive who shall forthwith notify Clubs of such proposal.

28.2 A Special General Meeting shall be held at a date not later than two calendar months from the date notice of the proposed winding up is received by the Chief Executive.

28.3 If the Association is wound up, its assets, after discharging its liabilities, shall be transferred to some other organisation, having similar objects to the Association.

## 29. LIFE MEMBERSHIP

29.1 **Nominations:** Nominations for life membership:

- a. Shall only be made by a Club (in writing signed by the club secretary and president) or by the Board;
- b. Shall be submitted to the Board, who shall determine whether or not to refer the nomination to the Annual General Meeting;
- c. If so referred by the Board, shall be voted on at the Annual General Meeting.

29.2 **Entitlements of Life Members:** Life Members shall be:

- a. Entitled to be present at all Annual and Special General Meetings and to receive notices in respect of such meetings;
- b. Exempt from all fees and subscriptions which may from time to time be applied by the Association;
- c. Subject to the same rules as all Licensed Persons.

## 30. CONDUCT OF ENQUIRIES BY THE BOARD

- 30.1 Where the Board has reason to believe that a Person or Club to whom these Rules apply has committed an Offence, the Board must conduct an Enquiry as to whether an Offence has been committed.
- 30.2 The Board may delegate its powers under this Rule to a committee and for the purposes of this Rule reference to the Board will include a reference to any committee approved by the Board to conduct the Enquiry.
- 30.3 In conducting an Enquiry the Board must:
- a. formulate a charge in writing setting out the Offence and deliver it to the Person or Club concerned;
  - b. provide the Person or Club concerned with an opportunity to make written submissions to the Board in response to the charge;
  - c. provide the Person or Club concerned with an opportunity to be heard by the Board in relation to his/her submissions, if that Person or Club so desires; and
  - d. wait until it has read any written submissions or heard any oral submissions from the Person or Club concerned before making a determination as to whether the Person or Club has committed an Offence.
- 30.4 Where the Board is satisfied that a Person or Club to whom these Rules apply has committed an Offence, the Board must provide the Person or Club concerned with an opportunity to make written submissions as to Penalty.

## 31. NOTIFICATION OF PENALTIES

In the event of the Board notifying any Club of the imposition of the Board of a Disqualification against any Person, or Greyhound, or the Warning Off of any Person, the Club so notified, shall forthwith put such Disqualification or Warning Off into effect at Meetings and Racecourses under its control in the same way if such Disqualification or Warning Off had been imposed by that Club, or its Club Committee or a Steward.

## 32. SERVICE OF NOTICES

- 32.1 a. A Person named as a Defendant in a charge laid pursuant to Rule 30 or Rule 92 or in a Notice of Objection laid pursuant to Rule 91 or otherwise required to appear before the Board shall be served with a copy of the charge and shall be advised of the date, time and place of hearing.
- b. Where the hearing of a charge or Notice of Objection is to take place during a meeting the following shall apply:
- i. The Defendant shall be deemed to have been served when service of the charge or Notice of Objection and advice of the date, time and place of hearing is effected upon the person in apparent control of a Greyhound to which the charge relates; or
  - ii. The Defendant shall be deemed to have been served with a copy of the charge or Notice of Objection and advised of the date, time and place of hearing, if advice of the Person, Body and/or Greyhound

involved and the date, time and place of hearing is given over the public address system at the Racecourse.

**32.2** Where the hearing of a charge or Notice of Objection or any other hearing is not to take place during a meeting the charge shall be served on the Defendant in any of the following ways:

- a. By being delivered to him or her personally or being brought to his or her notice if he or she refuses to accept it; or
- b. Being left for the Defendant at his or her place of residence with a person appearing to reside there and appearing to be of, or over the age of, 16 years; or
- c. Being sent by courier or registered letter addressed to the Defendant at his or her last known or usual place of residence, or at his or her last known or usual place of business; or
- d. In the case of a Club:
  - i. by delivering it to the president or secretary of the Club personally; or
  - ii. by leaving it with some person apparently over the age of 21 and apparently employed by the Club at the office of the Club; or
  - iii. by forwarding it by courier or registered letter addressed to the president or secretary of the Club at the offices of the Club.

**32.3** Any charge, notice or other document served in accordance with this Rule 32 shall be served at least six (6) days before the Person is required to appear.

### **33. RACECOURSE INSPECTORS**

**33.1** Subject to these Rules the Racecourse Inspectors shall have the following powers:

- a. Excluding or removing from Racecourses all Persons prohibited from having admission thereto, by or under these Rules; or generally
- b. Taking such steps as may be reasonably practicable to prevent undesirable persons from having any connection with, or influence on, Racing and Meetings and any Registered Persons;
- c. Investigate and report on any matter, which the Board may require him/her to investigate;
- d. Enter onto any land occupied by any Licensed Person for the purpose of conducting a kennel inspection or the examination of any Greyhound in respect of which there is cause to suspect an Offence has been, or is being committed;
- e. Investigate and report on any matter which a Steward has requested him/her to investigate;
- f. Investigate any matter, which in his/her opinion, calls for investigation by him/her;

- g. Request the Stewards or Club Committee to investigate any matter which in his/her opinion called for investigation by the Stewards and/or Club Committee, and the Stewards or Club Committee shall investigate such matter.

33.2 The Racecourse Inspector shall report the results of any investigation conducted by him/her to the Board.

33.3 The Board shall consider the results of any investigation conducted by a Racecourse Inspector and may conduct an Enquiry in to any person or body it considers there is reasonable cause to suspect of having committed an Offence.

#### 34. **RACECOURSE INSPECTORS RESPONSIBLE TO BOARD**

34.1 Every Racecourse Inspector shall, within seven days after the conclusion of each Meeting officially attended by him/her, furnish to the Board a report on the Meeting with respect to the matters coming within the scope of his/her duties.

34.2 Every Racecourse Inspector shall be under the supervision and control of the Board and shall obey all orders and instructions given by the Board from time to time with reference to the carrying out of the duties of his/her office.

34.3 In addition to exercising and performing the particular powers, duties and functions specified, all Racecourse Inspectors shall make themselves conversant with the Rules and from time to time report to the Board any improper conduct of any Licensed Person or Person and report any other matters which, in their opinion, might influence the Board in granting or refusing or suspending or withdrawing Licences or Registrations.

#### 35. **ADMITTANCE TO RACECOURSES**

Every Racecourse Inspector shall at all times be admitted free to all Racecourses in New Zealand and to every part thereof and in the performance of his/her duties, shall have the right of entry into any room in any building thereof.

#### 36. **INDEMNIFICATION**

Every Racecourse Inspector shall be indemnified out of general account against any legal proceedings instituted against him/her in respect of any act or thing done by him/her in the course and within the scope of his/her duties under these rules or in obeying any order or instruction of the Board.

#### 37. **ASSISTANT RACECOURSE INSPECTOR**

Where for any reason, any Racecourse Inspector is unable to attend any Meeting, the Steward shall be deemed to be an assistant Racecourse Inspector or, the Board or the Chairman may appoint any fit person to be an assistant Racecourse Inspector for such Meeting, and every such assistant shall, for the purpose of that Meeting, be deemed to be a Racecourse Inspector.

#### 38. **POWERS OF THE STEWARDS**

38.1 Unless otherwise provided in these Rules:

- a. a Meeting shall be deemed to commence at 7:30 a.m. on the morning of the day on which the first Race is appointed to be run and conclude at 12:00 midnight on the day of the last Race of the Meeting; and
  - b. the powers of the Stewards to investigate any matter or thing relating to or arising out of the conduct at a Meeting shall continue for four (4) months after the Meeting or for such further time as the Board may allow.
- 38.2 Subject to these Rules, the Stewards may make, alter or vary an arrangement for the conduct of a Meeting or a Race.
- 38.3 Subject to these Rules, and in particular Rule 38.1, the Stewards shall have the power to control and regulate the Meeting and without prejudice to the generality of that power shall have further powers to:
- a. inquire into any matter or thing in connection with a Meeting under their control;
  - b. require the attendance and the giving of evidence by any Person who is subject to these Rules or who, in the opinion of the Stewards, may have knowledge of any of the matters which are the subject of a charge or an objection under these Rules;
  - c. require, obtain production of and examine all books, documents and other printed materials relating to a Meeting;
  - d. enter all lands, booths, buildings, kennels, stands, enclosures and all other places used for the purpose of a Meeting;
  - e. control and regulate, take cognisance of, inquire into and adjudicate upon the conduct of Officials, Owners, Trainers, Handlers and other Persons participating in or associated with a Meeting;
  - f. determine all charges and objections made in reference to a Meeting;
  - g. order the examination of a Greyhound drawn in a Meeting for the purpose of ascertaining its age or identity or for any other purpose connected with these Rules;
  - h. require any Owner or Trainer to satisfy them that he/she or any Greyhound Nominated by him/her is not subject to any disability or restriction or Penalty under these Rules or any other rules of the Board;
  - i. remove at any time during a Meeting any Official and to appoint a substitute for any such Official;
  - j. appoint any Official necessary to the proper control, regulation or conduct of a Meeting if in their opinion the Committee/Club Board of the Club has failed or neglected to do so;
  - k. acting on veterinary advice order the withdrawal of a Greyhound from a Meeting at any time before the start if in their opinion the Greyhound is unfit to run;
  - l. order the scratching or withdrawal of a Greyhound from a Race;

- m. extend the starting time for any Race where in their opinion exceptional circumstances make such action necessary or desirable;
  - n. impose a Penalty on any Person who obstructs them or any other Officials in the proper exercise of their powers or duties;
  - o. use, and if they think fit, accept the results of, any device or method approved by the Board or Stewards (including, without limitation, photography, video and other image recording devices) to assist them in arriving at decisions made under these Rules.
  - p. expel or exclude a Person from a Meeting;
  - q. charge a Person for an Offence and impose a Penalty provided for in these Rules;
  - r. exercise all such powers as may be conferred upon them by the Board;
  - s. order the removal of any muzzle or rug;
  - t. where circumstances prevent the conduct or continued conduct of the Meeting, declare that the Meeting be abandoned. Where circumstances prevent the conduct of the Meeting and the Steward in Charge of the Meeting is not present at the premises of the Club the Secretary of the Club shall endeavour to contact the Steward in charge of the Meeting or the duty Steward or an Officer of the Board to make a determination on the matter and where such Steward in charge of the Meeting or duty Steward or an Officer of the Board is unavailable the Club Committee of the Club may declare that the Meeting be abandoned;
  - u. delegate any of their powers under these Rules to an Official by a written instruction signed by the Chief Executive or Chief Steward;
  - v. determine any act, matter or thing that arises but is not provided for by the Rules;
  - w. after the hearing of any charge or objection in accordance with these Rules, impose any Penalty under these Rules.
  - x. Disqualify from winning any Race or being placed in any Race, or for any term, any Greyhound liable to be Disqualified or Suspended under these Rules;
  - y. recommend to the Board that a particular Person or Persons should be Warned Off.
- 38.4 Subject to these Rules the Stewards shall have the power to investigate any matter or thing relating to these Rules including (without limitation) the following:
- a. To enter and inspect any land, track, building, vehicle or other place in, or about which such Meeting, Race, or Trials are being held, or is about to be held, or has been conducted by any Club.
  - b. To enter and inspect any land, track, building, vehicle or other place in which a Greyhound is being kept.

- c. To appoint any Official necessary in his/her opinion to the proper conduct of the Meeting, Race, or Trial, if he/she is of the opinion that the Committee, or other governing body of the Club, has failed to, or neglected to do so.
- d. To take possession and detain for purposes of inquiry for a period not exceeding fourteen (14) days, any Greyhound in respect of which there are reasonable grounds for believing or suspecting the omission or intention or attempt to commit an Offence.
- e. To inquire into whether there has been committed, intended to commit, or attempted to commit, any Offence.

### **39. RESTRICTIONS ON STEWARDS AND OFFICIALS**

**39.1** Unless the Steward in Charge of the Meeting agrees, no person who is an Owner, Trainer or Handler of a Greyhound competing at a Meeting, shall be permitted to:

- a. act as an Official in relation to that Race; or
- b. act in any Official capacity in the kennel area at the Club's course, or as a Steward or Veterinarian, at the Meeting.

**39.2** No Official, Steward or Veterinarian shall directly or indirectly engage in any betting transaction at a Meeting at which he/she officiates.

**39.3** A Steward shall not act or be present at a hearing or determination of a matter in which he/she is pecuniarily interested or affected, nor shall a Steward adjudicate upon a dispute, protest or matter in which he/she is involved in a personal, as opposed to an official capacity.

**39.4** A Steward shall not:

- a. engage directly or indirectly in a business connected with the sale, lease, breeding or management of a Greyhound; or
- b. be directly or indirectly interested in the Ownership of a Greyhound.

### **40. STEWARD IN CHARGE OF MEETING TO REPORT TO THE BOARD**

The Steward in Charge of a Meeting shall notify the Board and the Club Committee of the Club holding the Meeting in writing of all relevant details of the Meeting within three (3) working days of the conclusion of the Meeting.

### **41. CONTROL OF PERSONS TO BE ADMITTED TO RACECOURSES**

The separate rules made pursuant to section 34 of the Act to control or prohibit the admissions of persons to Racecourses are set out at the Fourth Schedule and form part of these Rules.

## REGULATIONS FOR THE CONDUCT OF GREYHOUND RACE MEETINGS

### 42. MEETING SCHEDULES

- 42.1 All Totalisator and Non Totalisator Meeting schedules shall be submitted to the Association for approval prior to publication in the official publication of the Association.
- 42.2 The Chief Executive, or nominee, shall consider the Meeting schedule and may approve the same if satisfied that all of the provisions of these Rules relating to content, Nominations, Field selection, Minimum Stake Schedule, grading and recognised Races have been complied with.
- 42.3 All Meeting schedules shall be subject to the Rules, and the interpretation thereof shall be determined by the Association. Any such determination shall be final and no correspondence shall be entered into.
- 42.4 Before approving any Meeting schedule the Chief Executive, or nominee, may require such further information as he/she thinks fit, or require amendments to be made.
- 42.5 In approving any Meeting schedule the Chief Executive, or nominee, may impose such conditions as he/she thinks fit.
- 42.6 The Chief Executive may, in his/her discretion, refuse to approve any Meeting schedule submitted for approval under this Rule.
- 42.7 No approved Meeting schedule or any of the conditions thereof shall be altered by any Club, or Official, without the approval of the Chief Executive or nominee.
- 42.8 No Meeting schedule shall be submitted for approval declaring a Race or Races of combined classes, except with the prior approval of the Association.
- 42.9 All Meeting schedules submitted shall include:
- a. Day and date of meeting;
  - b. Venue;
  - c. First Race start time (if known);
  - d. Closing date for Nominations;
  - e. Time of draw;
  - f. Contact details for draw;
  - g. Distances available;
  - h. Level of Prize Money payable (if applicable);
  - i. Level of nominations fees payable (if applicable);
  - j. List of Feature Races (if applicable) including any Consolation Race, with Race conditions specified in detail;
  - k. Any special conditions (if applicable);
  - l. Name of Secretary and contact details.

### 43. NOMINATIONS

- 43.1 All Nominations are to be received by the Association no later than 12 noon on the day of the advertised date for the closure of Nominations. The closing time is determined by the Association.
- 43.2 Nominations can be made by either post, facsimile, approved electronic means or telephone in compliance with all rules relating to Nominations.

- 43.3 Only an Owner or Trainer who is Registered by the Association or an Approved Registration Authority shall enter or Nominate a Greyhound in any Race, Qualifying Trial or Satisfactory Trial conducted by a Club.
- 43.4 Any person who is Disqualified shall not enter or Nominate or Race any Greyhound during the period of such Disqualification.
- 43.5 The Nominator of a Greyhound is liable for the payment of any monies due to the Club in respect of the Nomination.
- 43.6 A Greyhound may be Nominated for more than one Race on the programme for which it is eligible, but preference for a start must be indicated at time of Nomination.
- 43.7 If a Greyhound is Nominated for or races in a Race for which such Greyhound is not eligible, the Nominator of such Greyhound shall be liable to a fine of up to \$100 for each Offence and such Greyhound shall be Disqualified from its original placing and all Prize Money earned and any Nomination fees paid shall be forfeited. Where such Greyhound is Disqualified, the Club shall make the appropriate placings of the other Greyhounds affected accordingly.
- 43.8 Any Greyhound correctly Nominated for any Race is entitled to fulfil such engagement, provided that prior to the closing of Nominations for the Race, the said Greyhound has not won a Race of the same class as that of the Nominated Race resulting in the re-grading of the said Greyhound.
- 43.9 If a scheduled Race is a Feature Race Nominations for this must be specified at the time of Nomination.

#### 44. RE-OPENING OF NOMINATIONS

- 44.1 Nominations for any Meeting or specific Races at any Meeting may be re-opened only with the approval of the Chief Executive or nominee under such conditions as he/she so determines.
- 44.2 Where the closing of Nominations is so extended, those Greyhounds Nominated in the period of extension shall have the same rights to selection for any Race as any Greyhounds Nominated prior to the original scheduled closing time for Nominations.
- 44.3 Greyhounds which have previously been Nominated for a Meeting, but which have been re-graded between the official advertised closing time of Nominations for the Meeting and the extended closing time of Nominations for the Meeting, shall be permitted to run out Nominations in the class for which they were eligible prior to the extension of Nomination closing time.
- 44.4 Any Greyhound not previously Nominated for a Meeting by the official advertised closing time of Nominations, but which is Nominated during the extended Nomination closing time, shall for Nomination purposes, be graded as at the amended Nomination closing time.

#### 45. NOMINATION FEE

- 45.1 No Club may charge a Nomination fee in respect of each Greyhound entered for a Totalisator Race, other than a Race for which early entry and/or sustaining payments are required and which has been approved by the Association.

- 45.2 A Club may charge a Nomination fee in respect of each Greyhound entered for a Non-Totalisator Race. Such fee shall not exceed fourteen dollars (\$14) plus GST.
46. **FIELD SELECTION**
- 46.1 Clubs shall have the right:
- a. To select Fields on form from the Nominations received.
  - b. To ballot out with the right of re-entry up to two Greyhounds.
  - c. To run Heats to decide starters and reserves for the Final of a Race provided that finalists are decided by placings in qualifying order from each Heat.
  - d. Notwithstanding sub-clause c. of this Rule, where a Club has installed a photo finish electronic timer any number of Heats may be run provided that finalists are decided by placings in qualifying order from each Heat (e.g. 7 heats, seven winners plus the fastest 2nd placed Greyhound). Under this rule the maximum number of starters (8) must be allowed to qualify for a quarter-final, Semi-Final or Final.
  - e. To divide Nominations for any Race into divisions. Under this Rule, each division becomes an individual Race of that class.
  - f. To cancel a scheduled Group or Feature race at a Totalisator Meeting if less than eight (8) Nominations are received.
- 46.2 For the purpose of the administration of Rule 46.1 a Club may by resolution of a majority of its members in General Meeting prescribe the performance criteria by which Nominated Greyhounds in each Race in the ensuing year are to be assessed for inclusion in the Box Draw provided that any such performance criteria established by a Club shall not supersede these Rules. A notice setting out the performance criteria adopted by the Club to select Greyhounds for inclusion in draws shall be displayed in the Club's kennel block and the secretary's office.
- 46.3 All Club selection panel proceedings shall be held in closed committee.
- 46.4 If insufficient Nominations are received for a scheduled single class Race (i.e. 8 nominations), Clubs shall be permitted to combine any two consecutive classes, excepting C0 sprint/middle distance, and the highest graded Greyhounds shall have selection preference over the lower graded Greyhounds. The Prize Money payable for a combined Race shall not be less than that prescribed for the highest eligible class.
- 46.5 Where Nominations allow a Club to select more than one Field of the same class and distance (including any heats to determine semi-finalists or finalists), the Club shall ensure that any Greyhounds registered in the same ownership and/or Trainer shall not be selected in the same Race, unless the number of Greyhounds registered in the same ownership and/or Trainer is such that separation as provided by this Rule is not practicable. Races with combined classes do not apply under this Rule.
- 46.6 C0/C0d Races shall not be combined with any other classes.
- 46.7 Where Heats are run for Totalisator Meetings, Clubs may select reserves for the final based on placings in the Heats or times registered in the Heats. Each reserve Greyhound may be drawn by the Club as a starter in one other Race on the

programme, but the said Greyhound shall not be permitted to compete in both Races. The Feature Race shall take preference.

- 46.8 A Club shall select Heats for Group Races and Feature Races of not less than 8 starters, unless otherwise approved by the Association.
- 46.9 In Invitation Races all classes have equal rights for inclusion.
- 46.10 In all Age Races the highest graded Greyhounds shall have preference in selection.
- 46.11 Where a Greyhound is Nominated for a Race which is greater than its current classification, the said Greyhound will be considered for selection only after Greyhounds of higher classification have been selected.
- 46.12 Qualifying Trials shall be classed as Races and may be used as a guide to selecting C0 races.
- 46.13 Any Greyhound included in a Field which does not obtain a Race start shall be entitled to run a trial under Race conditions over the distance prior to the Meeting, during the course of the Meeting or at the conclusion of the Meeting subject to the approval of a Steward.

#### 47. **CONSOLATION RACES**

- 47.1 Greyhounds must have competed in a Heat in order to be eligible for a Consolation Race.
- 47.2 Greyhounds must be expressly Nominated for a Consolation Race in order to be selected for a Consolation Race.
- 47.3 Greyhounds shall be selected for Consolation Races based on the order of placings in the Heats and/or Semi-finals, regardless of anything elsewhere in these Rules or in Club selection criteria.

#### 48. **MINIMUM STAKE SCHEDULE**

- 48.1 Every Totalisator Meeting schedule submitted under Rule 42 for publication in the official publication of the Association shall stipulate the amount of Prize Money payable in respect of class Races and other Feature Races scheduled. The amount of Prize Money advertised must comply with the Minimum Stake Schedule as published from time to time by the Association.
- 48.2 **Winning percentages:** Where a Club pays the minimum Prize Money, the said Prize Money shall be allocated to the first three placegetters in the following percentages (after the deduction of any amount allocated under Rule 49):

a.	First	60%
b.	Second	25%
c.	Third	15%

- 48.3 **Other stake allocation:** Subject to the approval of the Chief Executive, Prize Money payable in a Group Race may be allocated to starters other than the first three placegetters but such allocation must not exceed 10% of the total Prize Money of the Race.

- 48.4 **Not to exceed 10%:** Where a Club pays in excess of the minimum Prize Money the additional Prize Money may be distributed between all runners but such allocation must not exceed 10% of the total Prize Money of the Race.

#### 49. DEDUCTIONS FOR GROUP RACES AND FEATURE RACES

- 49.1 Where a Club conducts a Group Race or Feature Race, the Club shall deduct an amount of 5% of the minimum Prize Money and render that amount to the Breeder of the eligible winner. To be eligible, the progeny entered must have been whelped in New Zealand and the litter registered by the Association. The bonus will be paid to the first eligible Greyhound past the post. If no eligible Greyhounds are entered, the bonus shall be paid out to the three place-getters in the same percentages as Prize Money.

- 49.2 Notwithstanding sub-clause 1 of this Rule, where a Club conducts the NZ Sires' Produce Stakes, the Club shall deduct an amount of 5% of the minimum Prize Money and render that amount to the Stud Master of the winner at the time of service. To be eligible, the stud dog must be New Zealand based at the time of service. The bonus will be paid to the first eligible Greyhound past the post. If no eligible Greyhounds are entered, the bonus shall be paid out to the three place-getters in the same percentages as Prize Money.

#### 50. GRADING

- 50.1 Each Greyhound shall have three classes categorised by Race distance and Race type:

- a. Sprint/middle distance class -
  - i. A sprint distance Race is any race less than 400 metres,
  - ii. A middle distance Race is any race from 400 metres to 599 metres;
- b. Distance class - a distance Race is any race 600 metres or more;
- c. Hurdle class - a hurdle Race is any Race conducted over hurdles.

- 50.2 Classes:

Sprint/Middle Distance	Distance	Hurdles
Class 0 (C0)	Class 0 distance (C0d)	
Class 1 (C1)	Class 1 distance (C1d)	Class 1 hurdles (C1h)
Class 2 (C2)	Class 2 distance (C2d)	Class 2 hurdles (C2h)
Class 3 (C3)		
Class 4 (C4)		
Class 5 (C5)		

- 50.3 A Greyhound's grading shall be its classification at the time stipulated for the closing of Nominations.

#### 51. RACE TYPES

- 51.1 **Sprint/middle distance races:**

- a. CLASS 5 (Open) - This is a Race for Greyhounds graded at Classes 1-5 provided that the highest graded Greyhounds shall have preference in selection.
- b. CLASS 4 - This is a Race for Greyhounds graded at Classes 1-4 provided that the highest graded Greyhounds shall have preference in selection.
- c. CLASS 3 - This is a Race for Greyhounds graded at Classes 1-3 provided that the highest graded Greyhounds shall have preference in selection.
- d. CLASS 2 - This is a Race for Greyhounds graded at Classes 1-2 provided that C2 Greyhounds shall have preference in selection.
- e. CLASS 1 - This is a Race for Greyhounds graded at Class 1 only.
- f. CLASS 0 (Maiden) - This is a Race for Greyhounds graded at Class 0 only.

#### 51.2 Distance races:

- a. CLASS 2 DISTANCE - This is a Race for Greyhounds graded at Classes C0d, C1d and C2d, provided that the highest graded Greyhounds shall have preference in selection.
- b. CLASS 1 DISTANCE - This is a Race for Greyhounds graded at Classes C0d and C1d, provided that C1d Greyhounds shall have preference in selection.
- c. CLASS 0 DISTANCE – This is a Race for Greyhounds graded at C0d only.

#### 51.3 Hurdle races:

- a. CLASS 2 HURDLE - This is a Race for Greyhounds graded at Classes 1h and 2h provided that C2h Greyhounds shall have preference in selection overriding any Club selection criteria.
- b. CLASS 1 HURDLE - This is a Race for Greyhounds graded at Class 1h only.

To be eligible for a hurdle race a Greyhound must first be qualified as a hurdler in accordance with these Rules.

#### 51.4 Age races:

- a. CLASSIC RESTRICTED AGE - This is a Race for Greyhounds which are whelped between 1 July and 30 June (inclusive) in the year preceding the event. Penalty free except for C0/C0d and C1.
- b. CALENDAR RESTRICTED AGE - This is a Race for Greyhounds which are whelped between 1st January and 31st December (inclusive) in the year prior to the year preceding the Race. Penalty free except for C0/C0d and C1.
- c. SPECIAL CONDITIONED AGE RACE - This is a Race for Greyhounds in which eligibility is restricted by age parameters with special conditions relating to wins, Prize Money earned and any other matters permissible. Penalty free except for C0/C0d and C1.

- 51.5 INVITATION RACE – This is a Race which provides for a Club to invite any Greyhound graded at C1 and above to compete. All classes have equal rights for inclusion. Invitation Races are penalty free.

**51.6** NEW ZEALAND BREEDERS' INCENTIVE SCHEME RACES - These are Races for the New Zealand Bred Greyhounds graded at C0/C0d and above. The highest graded Greyhounds shall have preference in selection. Penalty free except for C0/C0d and C1.

## **52. GRADING PENALTIES**

**52.1** Subject to the provisions of Rules 52 to 56, a Greyhound shall be re-graded to the next classification upon winning one Totalisator Race in any grade except for C1 where a Greyhound must win two Totalisator Races before being re-graded to C2.

**52.2** Subject to the provisions of Rule 58.4, a Greyhound competing in and winning any Race higher than its grade at a Totalisator Meeting shall be re-graded from its assessed class at time of Nomination to the next highest class.

**52.3** The winner of a combined class Race at a Totalisator Meeting shall be re-graded from its assessed class at time of Nomination to the next highest class.

**52.4** Any Greyhound winning a sprint Race at a Totalisator Meeting shall also be re-graded over the middle distance class. Conversely, any Greyhound winning a middle distance Race at a Totalisator Meeting shall also be re-graded over the sprint distance class.

**52.5** Any Greyhound winning a hurdle Race at a Totalisator Meeting shall not be re-graded over sprint, middle distance or distance classes.

**52.6** Any Greyhound winning a distance Race at a Totalisator Meeting shall not be re-graded over sprint, middle distance or hurdle categories, excepting that where a Greyhound with a classification of C0 subsequently wins a C0d race at a Totalisator Meeting, such Greyhound shall be re-graded to C1.

## **53. GRADING PENALTIES SPECIFIC TO AGE RACES**

**53.1** Should any Greyhound with a classification of C0 subsequently win a classic restricted age, calendar restricted age or special conditioned Age Race at a Totalisator Meeting, such Greyhound shall be re-graded to C1.

**53.2** Should any Greyhound with a classification of C1 subsequently win a classic restricted age, calendar restricted age or special conditioned Age Race at a Totalisator Meeting, such Greyhound shall be subject to re-grading.

**53.3** Should any Greyhound with a classification of C2, C3, C4 or C5 subsequently win a classic restricted Age Race or a calendar restricted Age Race or special conditioned Age Race at a Totalisator Meeting such Greyhound shall not be re-graded.

## **54. GRADING PENALTIES SPECIFIC TO GROUP RACES/FEATURE RACES**

**54.1** Any C0/C0d Greyhound winning a Heat, Final or Consolation Race of any Group Race or Feature Race at any Totalisator Meeting shall be subject to re-grading, except that where a C0/C0d Greyhound wins a Heat and the Final or Consolation Race it shall be re-graded to C1/C1d.

**54.2** Any C1 Greyhound winning a Heat, Final or Consolation Race of any Group Race or Feature Race at any Totalisator Meeting shall be subject to re-grading, except that

where a C1 Greyhound wins a Heat and the Final or Consolation Race it shall be re-graded to C2.

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**56. GRADING PENALTIES SPECIFIC TO NEW ZEALAND BREEDERS' INCENTIVE SCHEME**

**56.1** Should any Greyhound with a classification of C0/C0d subsequently win a Heat or Final of a New Zealand Breeders' Incentive Scheme Race at a Totalisator Meeting, such Greyhound shall be re-graded to C1/C1d.

**56.2** Should any Greyhound with a classification of C1 subsequently win a Heat or Final of a New Zealand Breeders' Incentive Scheme Race at a Totalisator Meeting, such Greyhound shall be subject to re-grading.

**56.3** Should any Greyhound with a classification of C2, C3, C4 or C5 subsequently win a Heat or Final at a Totalisator Meeting, such Greyhound shall not be re-graded.

**57. DEAD-HEAT**

**57.1** Any Greyhound Dead-Heating for first place at a Totalisator Meeting shall be deemed not to have won a Race and shall be regarded as a non-winner for the purpose of re-grading.

**57.2** Where two or more Greyhounds Dead-Heat for first place or a minor placing in a Race comprising Heats and/or Semi Finals the right of the Greyhound concerned to further participate in such Race shall, where necessary, be decided by ballot.

**57.3** If two or more Greyhounds Dead-Heat in a Totalisator Race, the Greyhounds concerned shall not run off, and the owners of the Greyhounds shall divide all Prize Money and other payments or benefits equally between them.

**57.4** If a Dead-Heat is declared for second place in a Totalisator Race, there shall be no third place and the owners of the Greyhounds which ran the Dead-Heat shall divide the Prize Money allocated for second place as well as any Prize Money for third place equally.

**57.5** If a Dead-Heat is declared for third place in a Totalisator Race, there shall be no fourth place and the owners of the Greyhounds which ran the Dead-Heat shall divide the Prize Money allocated for third place as well as any Prize Money for fourth place (if any) equally.

**57.6** If a Dead-Heat is declared for second place in a Totalisator Race in which the winner is Disqualified:

- a.** the Greyhounds which ran the Dead-Heat shall be deemed to have run a Dead-Heat for first place and shall divide equally the Prize Money for both first and second place.
- b.** the Owner of the Greyhound which is placed fourth shall receive the Prize Money allocated for third place.

**57.7** Where the Owners or Trainers of Greyhounds which run a Dead-Heat cannot agree as to which one of them is to receive a prize which cannot be divided, the Steward

shall determine the question by lot. If necessary, the Steward shall determine what sum of money, if any, is to be paid by the Owner who takes the indivisible prize to the other Owner.

## **58. DOWNGRADING**

- 58.1** Any Greyhound graded C2 and above which has competed four consecutive times in sprint/middle distance grade Races without receiving Prize Money for running 1st, 2nd or 3rd on one of these four occasions shall be downgraded one class.
- 58.2** Any Greyhound graded C2d which has competed four consecutive times in distance grade Races without receiving Prize Money for running 1st, 2nd or 3rd on one of these four occasions shall be re-graded down one class to C1d.
- 58.3** Any Greyhound graded C2h which has competed four consecutive times in hurdle grade Races without receiving Prize Money for running 1st, 2nd or 3rd on one of these four occasions shall be re-graded down one class to C1h.
- 58.4** There shall be no Penalty or re-grading upwards, or benefit toward downgrading, applied to any Greyhound running out Nominations following such downgrading other than if such Greyhound won such a Race, in which case the Greyhound shall be re-graded from the down-graded class.

## **59. GRADING OF GREYHOUNDS FROM OVERSEAS**

- 59.1** Owners of all imported Greyhounds must provide the Chief Executive with an official race record and meet all other conditions as prescribed from time to time by the Board in respect of a Greyhound which has raced overseas prior to Nominating the said Greyhound for any Race.
- 59.2** The grading of all imported Greyhounds shall be determined by the Chief Executive or his/her appointee, and shall be subject to the policy for calculating such grading as established from time to time by the Board

## **60. DISQUALIFICATION FROM A RACE**

- 60.1** Where after running in a Race a Greyhound placed by the Judge is Disqualified pursuant to these Rules it shall be regarded as having not competed and the placings altered accordingly.
- 60.2** Where a charge or objection is laid which may affect the placing of any Greyhound in any Race, the Greyhound against which a breach of these Rules is alleged and the Greyhound claiming to be entitled to the placing shall, until such charge or objection is finally determined, be liable to the grading rules which would have applied to the placings of the Race if no such charge or objection was laid.
- 60.3** In the case of the Greyhound which on the final determination of the charge or objection is held to be Disqualified its grading shall be adjusted as if it had never run in the Race in which it was Disqualified.
- 60.4** Where a Greyhound is promoted to first place in a Race, following the subsequent Disqualification of a Greyhound from that Race, its grading shall be altered accordingly. Such Greyhound shall be entitled to run out its Nominations.

- 60.5 No Greyhound shall be eligible to start in any Race after its Disqualification when as a result of the reverting of its grading it would no longer be eligible to enter that Race.

## 61. RECOGNISED EVENTS

- 61.1 **Group Race:** This is a Race of national importance which consistently attracts the best eligible Greyhounds from all parts of New Zealand. The allocation of Group Races shall be reviewed annually by the Board. A schedule of Group Races must be finalised for the season ahead by the Association and distributed to Clubs by 31 July each year.
- 61.2 **Feature Race:** This is a Race of regional significance which attracts the better performed Greyhounds in that region. The allocation of Feature Races shall be reviewed annually by the Board. Scheduled Feature Races must be finalised for the season ahead by the Association and distributed, (as part of the Group Race Schedule), to Clubs by 31 July each year. A local Club feature race that is not shown on the annual schedule produced by the Association does not constitute a Feature Race under these Rules.
- 61.3 Any Totalisator Club running an Oaks and/or Derby must ensure that such Races are classified as at least a Feature Race and that the stake for such Races shall be set by the Board before 1 August in each season.

## 62. QUALIFYING TRIAL

- 62.1 A Greyhound must have completed and met the conditions of a Qualifying Trial and its racing papers endorsed to that effect by a Steward before being Nominated to Race. If this requirement is not complied with, the Nominator shall be liable to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00.
- 62.2 Qualifying Trials may be conducted over a sprint or middle distance, being the distance normally raced at the Racecourse on which the Qualifying Trial is conducted.
- 62.3 A Qualifying Trial must comprise a minimum of four starters of comparative grade (i.e. either unqualified Greyhounds that are also attempting to qualify or C0 Greyhounds only).
- 62.4 A Greyhound shall qualify if, in the opinion of the Steward, the Greyhound's racing conduct is considered satisfactory.
- 62.5 A Greyhound shall qualify to compete in hurdle Races if, in the opinion of the Steward, the Greyhound's racing conduct is considered satisfactory. Such a hurdle Qualifying Trial shall be completed with at least one other Greyhound of comparative grade (i.e. either unqualified Greyhounds that are also attempting to qualify or C1h Greyhounds only) over a minimum of five flights of hurdles. The Greyhound shall jump in a competent manner having previously completed a Qualifying Trial on the flat.
- 62.6 No Greyhound shall compete in more than one Qualifying Trial in any one day.
- 62.7 Notwithstanding sub-clauses 4 and 5 of this Rule, a Greyhound shall not qualify, regardless of meeting the conditions of the Qualifying Trial, if such Greyhound's Certificate of Registration was not in order or if any transfer or lease had not been registered with the Association at the time of qualifying.

62.8 Immediately after any Qualifying Trials, the secretary of the Club conducting the Qualifying Trial must forward to the Association a full list of the starters in each Qualifying Trial including details of placed Greyhounds, times recorded (including notification of method of timing- electronic timing or hand timing), distance of the Qualifying Trial and margins.

62.9 Complete identification of a Greyhound is to be undertaken at a Qualifying Trial and the Certificate of Registration is to be certified by a Steward or an Authorised Person.

### 63. BOX DRAW

63.1 The method of the conduct of the Box Draw shall be such as the Board from time to time directs.

63.2 Where there are less than 8 Greyhounds eligible to compete in a Race at the time the Box Draw is to be carried out, the following boxes shall be left vacant:

Number of Eligible Greyhounds Competing	Box number(s) to be left vacant
7	5
6	3, 6
5	3, 5 and 7
4	2, 4, 6 and 8
3	2, 4, 6, 7 and 8
2	2, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8

63.3 A Greyhound other than a Reserve Greyhound, drawn to start from a box number specified in column 1 of the table to this Rule shall wear the numeral and rug colour specified in column 2 and column 3 respectively of the table opposite the box number so specified.

63.4 If a Reserve Greyhound becomes eligible to compete in a Race as a consequence of a withdrawal of a Greyhound drawn to compete in the Race, it shall wear the numeral and rug colour specified in columns 2 and 3 of the table below and shall start from the box number which was drawn for the Greyhound which it has replaced in the Race.

Box Number	Numeral	Rug Colour
1	1	Red
2	2	Black and white stripes
3	3	White
4	4	Blue
5	5	Yellow
6	6	Green
7	7	Black
8	8	Pink
Reserve	9	Green and White stripes
Reserve	10	Red White and Blue

63.5 A Greyhound drawn as a Reserve Greyhound may be included in the draw at the appointed scratching time as approved by the Board, but no other alteration is permitted, unless where a Greyhound which qualifies for a Race, is Disqualified or withdrawn from the Race for any reason prior to the Race, and the following provisions shall apply:

- a. The Greyhound that is subsequently declared to qualify for the Race shall replace the Disqualified or withdrawn Greyhound in the Race; and

- b. If the replacement Greyhound replaces the Disqualified or withdrawn Greyhound after the Box Draw there shall be no redraw of boxes for the Race and the replacement Greyhound shall start in the box drawn by the Disqualified or withdrawn Greyhound.

**63.6** Notwithstanding any other Rule, the Board:

- a. Shall have the power to add or remove any Greyhound from any Race for any reason whatsoever and on such terms and conditions as the Board determines;
- b. In exercising its powers pursuant to Rule 63.6a may make such decisions with respect to the redrawing of any Race as the Board determines;
- c. Without limiting Rule 63.6b, may cancel any Box Draw previously conducted and order a new Box Draw to be conducted for any Race if in the opinion of the Board such action is deemed warranted.

**63.7** One or two Reserve Greyhounds may be included for a Race and shall be subject to the same conditions and penalties which apply to the other Greyhounds in the Race.

**63.8** Where a Greyhound is a Reserve Greyhound for more than one Race and a withdrawal occurs in more than one Race, the Greyhound shall be placed in the Race with the first withdrawal subject to Rule 63.9 of this rule.

**63.9** A Greyhound listed as a Reserve Greyhound for a Group, Feature or special Race, may also be included in another Race on the same programme. If the Greyhound is required to compete in the Group, Feature or special Race, for which it is a Reserve Greyhound, it shall be withdrawn from the other Race.

**63.10** For the purposes of Rule 64.2 it shall be deemed a valid reason for the withdrawal of a Greyhound after the Box Draw, if the Greyhound is drawn as a Reserve Greyhound and is usually kennelled at a place outside a radius of 100kms from where the Meeting is being held. The Trainer of the Greyhound is responsible for contacting the Club as soon as practicable to confirm the withdrawal and immediately he/she is aware that it is not the intention to fulfil the Greyhound's engagement. For the purpose of this rule, a Greyhound can only be withdrawn within 48 hours of the start of the Meeting.

**64. WITHDRAWAL AFTER BOX DRAW**

**64.1** The Nominator of any Greyhound which, in accordance with these rules, is to be withdrawn from a Race, shall notify the secretary of the Club for which such Greyhound is to be withdrawn of such withdrawal not later than 7.30am on the day of the Meeting.

**64.2** If a Greyhound is withdrawn without valid reason after the Box Draw, or after qualifying for a Semi Final or Final of a Totalisator Race, the Owner or Trainer of the Greyhound shall be guilty of an Offence.

**64.3** When more than one Totalisator Meeting is held on the same day, being drawn into a field at one Totalisator Meeting, (whether as a result of competing in qualifying Races or otherwise) shall not constitute a valid reason for withdrawal of the Greyhound from the Race at another Totalisator Meeting. Such Greyhound shall incur a 28 day suspension effective from the day following the Meeting.

- 64.4 If a Greyhound is drawn into a Field at a Totalisator Meeting and holds an engagement at a Non-Totalisator Meeting, the Greyhound can be withdrawn from the Non Totalisator Meeting without Penalty except where such non Totalisator Race is a qualifying Race for a totalisator Group or Feature Race.
- 64.5 A Greyhound which has been included in the Box Draw for a Meeting or after qualifying for a Semi Final or Final at a Totalisator Race and is not presented to Race, shall be Suspended for 28 days unless permission has been granted by the Stewards for the Greyhound to be withdrawn, or the reason for the non attendance is submitted in writing to the Stewards of the day who may then reconsider the Penalty.
- 64.6 The 28 day period within which the Greyhound not presented to Race shall be Suspended, shall commence immediately on and from the date when the Greyhound was not presented to Race unless the Stewards of the day otherwise direct. The Suspension period shall end at 11.30pm on the 28th day of the Suspension period.
- 64.7 The lodging of an appeal of the Suspension shall not act as a stay of the Suspension unless the Stewards so direct.
- 64.8 Any person who races a Greyhound in contravention of the Suspension period provided for in this Rule commits a breach of these Rules shall be subject to the Penalties set out in these Rules.
- 64.9 No Greyhound, which in the opinion of the officiating Veterinarian or the Stewards or an Authorised Person is In Season, shall be allowed to be kennelled or compete in a Race.
- 64.10 No Greyhound which the Owner or Trainer knows, or has reason to believe is In Season, shall Race within 28 days of such knowledge.
- 64.11 Where evidence is produced to the satisfaction of the Stewards that a Greyhound concerned was not In Season the Stewards may cancel any Penalty imposed under 64.10 where it was first thought a Greyhound was In Season. This Rule may only be applied if a Veterinarian's Certificate was supplied to the Stewards at the time of the application of the Penalty under Rule 64.10.
- 64.12 Any Greyhound which is withdrawn through injury or illness after publication of the Box Draw, or after a Heat or a Semi Final or Final of a Totalisator Race, shall incur a ten day stand down from the date of the withdrawal. The Nominator must produce to the Club within two working days of the start of the Meeting:
- a. A Veterinarian's certificate if a Totalisator Meeting. The Veterinarian's certificate must be in the following prescribed form:
    - i. Identification of the Greyhound by name and ear brand;
    - ii. A detailed medical description of the specific injury or illness for each dog scratched. A statement that a Greyhound is "unfit to race" will not be sufficient.
    - iii. Date and time of Veterinarian's inspection.
    - iv. The Veterinarian's suggested period of stand down from racing, or period of recuperation.
  - b. A Veterinarian's certificate or a declaration by the Nominator stating the condition of the Greyhound if a Non Totalisator Meeting.
- 64.13 The 10-day stand down may be varied by:

- a. A Steward at a Totalisator Meeting on production of the Greyhound to the officiating Veterinarian on the day, or on production of a Veterinarian certificate by another approved race day Veterinarian.
  - b. A Steward or Authorised Person at a Non Totalisator Meeting on the production of the Greyhound to them in the absence of a Veterinarian.
- 64.14 Any Greyhound which is not produced for inspection by the officiating Veterinarian or Steward or an acceptable Veterinarian certificate is not produced within 48 hours of the start of a Totalisator Meeting or in respect of a Non Totalisator Meeting a declaration stating the condition of the Greyhound is not produced within 48 hours of the start of the Meeting shall incur a 28 day suspension from the date of withdrawal.
- 64.15 In the event of a Greyhound being withdrawn after publication of the Box Draw, the Steward may demand the Greyhound be produced for his/her inspection.
- 64.16 Where the withdrawal of a Greyhound has been ordered or permitted, Nomination fees shall be refunded.
- 64.17 Where a Greyhound has been Nominated for a Race and in the opinion of a Steward:
- a. the Greyhound is owned by a Person other than the Registered Owner;
  - b. the Greyhound is trained by a Person other than the Registered Trainer;
  - c. the Greyhound is being domiciled or kept otherwise than at the registered address of the Registered Trainer;
  - d. the Greyhound is being kept in circumstances which have resulted in, are resulting in or may result in detriment being caused to the Greyhound; or
  - e. uncertainty exists as to:
    - i. the identity of the Owner or Trainer of the Greyhound;
    - ii. the identity of the Greyhound;
    - iii. the identity of the person in whose care or control the Greyhound is;
    - iv. whether the Greyhound is domiciled or kept at the registered address of the Registered Trainer thereof; or
    - v. whether the Greyhound is being kept in circumstances which have resulted in, are resulting in or may result in detriment being caused to the Greyhound;
- the Steward may order that the Greyhound be withdrawn from the Race.
- 64.18 A Steward shall not make an order pursuant to Rule 64.17 unless he/she has communicated or endeavoured to communicate either personally or by telephone with the Registered Owner and the Registered Trainer of the Greyhound and given such Registered Owner and Registered Trainer the opportunity to show cause why such order should not be made. No appeal shall lie in respect of any order made pursuant to this Rule.
- 64.19 A Greyhound withdrawn from a Race pursuant to Rule 64.17 shall be prohibited from competing in any Race until such time as the Steward is satisfied that the basis upon which such withdrawal was made no longer exists.

64.20 The Steward in Charge of the Meeting may order any Greyhound to be withdrawn from any Race where he/she has reason to believe that there has been, or may have been, committed an Offence in relation to the Greyhound.

## 65. PROCEDURE PRIOR TO MEETING

65.1 Prior to the commencement of kennelling for a Meeting and as often as thereafter may be necessary throughout the Meeting the Stewards shall:

- a. Inspect the kennel building and associated areas for cleanliness, security and suitability for the containment of Greyhounds;
- b. Inspect the surface, fixtures and fittings of the track for safety and operational suitability for racing purposes;
- c. Inspect and test racing equipment for safety and operational suitability for racing purposes; and
- d. Ensure that all equipment is of a type approved by the Board.

65.2 The Club shall provide to the Steward in Charge of the Meeting the following certified check weights – 20 kilograms and either 10 kilograms or 5 kilograms.

65.3 The Steward in Charge of the Meeting shall ensure that the weighing instrument is checked for accuracy using the check weights prior to commencement of weighing of Greyhounds presented for kennelling.

65.4 Where the Stewards are satisfied with the results of an inspection or a test conducted under Rule 65.1 they shall issue a certificate to that effect to the Club secretary or his/her duly appointed deputy of the Club conducting the Meeting or Trials.

65.5 If the Stewards are not satisfied with the results of an inspection or a test conducted under Rule 65.1, they shall notify the Club secretary or his/her duly appointed deputy forthwith who shall take immediate steps to remedy the matter.

## 66. UNAUTHORISED PERSON NOT TO ENTER KENNEL OR HANDLE GREYHOUNDS

66.1 A Person shall not enter the kennel area without the permission of the Stewards on the day or night of a Meeting.

66.2 A Person shall not handle a Greyhound competing at any Meeting unless he/she is a Handler.

66.3 Any Handler who permits an unauthorised person to lead or handle a Greyhound drawn to compete at any Meeting shall be guilty of an Offence.

66.4 When the Owner or Trainer of a Greyhound is not present at any Meeting which that Greyhound is entered to compete, a letter signed by the Trainer or Owner of the Greyhound requesting authority for another person to be in charge of the Greyhound must be submitted to the Stewards prior to kennelling such Greyhound. The Stewards may refuse such authority and may order the withdrawal of the Greyhound from the Race.

- 66.5 Where a letter of authority is unable to be produced in accordance with Rule 66.4, the Stewards may accept a written statement of responsibility from the Person in charge of the Greyhound.

**67. GREYHOUNDS AND OTHER ANIMALS EXCLUDED**

- 67.1 No Greyhound other than those drawn to compete in a Race shall be allowed on the Racecourse, or Track or in the kennel area without the permission of the Steward in Charge of the Meeting.
- 67.2 No other animal shall be allowed on the Racecourse without the permission of the Steward in Charge of the Meeting.

**68. PRESENTATION FOR RACING**

- 68.1 The Handler of a Greyhound competing at a Meeting shall produce the Greyhound to the Stewards at or before the time specified in Rule 68.2.
- 68.2 Unless otherwise specified, a Greyhound competing at a Meeting conducted by a Club shall be in the hands of the Stewards not later than sixty (60) minutes before the advertised starting time of the first Race of that Meeting.
- 68.3 The Club may, with the approval of the Board, provide for competitors in the first five Races to be kennelled in the first half of the hour prior to one hour of the first Race and that competitors in the second five Races be kennelled in the second half of the hour.
- 68.4 The Club may, with the approval of the Board, provide for competitors to be kennelled in shifts at a dual Greyhound/harness or galloping meetings, or at Meetings where more than 10 Races are programmed, or at Meetings of more than 3 hours duration from closure of kennels, provided that all other kennelling rules and regulations are complied with.
- 68.5 The Steward in Charge of the Meeting or Qualifying Trial may in his/her discretion alter the kennelling time referred to in Rule 68.2, if he/she deems such action necessary.
- 68.6 Where the Handler of a Greyhound fails to produce the Greyhound at or before the time specified in Rule 68.2, the Handler shall be guilty of an Offence.
- 68.7 A Greyhound not produced in accordance with Rule 68.2 shall not be allowed to compete in the Race for which it has been drawn and shall be suspended for 28 days commencing on the date on which the failure to comply with Rule 68.2 occurred, provided however that the Steward or Board may revoke or vary such Penalty.
- 68.8 A Greyhound shall not be permitted to compete in any Race unless the Certificate of Registration and weight record of the Greyhound identifying the Greyhound and certifying that it is eligible to compete, is produced to the Stewards at the same time as the Greyhound is produced for inspection by the identification Official.
- 68.9 Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 68.8 of this Rule, if the Certificate of Registration and weight record of the Greyhound is not produced and no reserve Greyhounds are eligible to re-enter the field, then the Stewards shall permit the Greyhound to start provided that all matters related to identification are noted. The Owner shall cause to be delivered to the Club within two working days the Certificate

of Registration and weight record for the Greyhound and the Club shall be permitted to withhold all Prize Money won until totally satisfied.

- 68.10** A Greyhound shall not be examined for ear branding until after the comparison has been made and the particulars contained in or endorsed on the Certificate of Registration at the time of presentation for kennelling, and an ear brand shall not be acceptable as the only sufficient indication as to the identity of the Greyhound.
- 68.11** Where any variation is found between the particulars contained on the Greyhound's Certificate of Registration and the particulars appearing in the official Race program, these variations shall be reported to the secretary of the Club and announced to the public.
- 68.12** Where the Stewards are satisfied that the Certificate of Registration produced in respect of a Greyhound Nominated for a Race is the Certificate of Registration issued for such Greyhound, but the description contained thereon is inadequate, misleading or deficient, the Stewards shall not alter such Certificate of Registration but shall cause a copy of the Greyhound's actual identification markings to be prepared and shall forward such markings and the Greyhound's Certificate of Registration to the Board or Approved Registration Authority for correction and re-issue.
- 68.13** A Handler in charge of a Greyhound shall apply to the Steward in Charge of the Meeting, at the time of kennelling, for the Greyhound to be bandaged, strapped or to wear some other appliance, provided that the officiating Veterinarian or Authorised Person certifies or approves the need for such bandage, strapping or appliance.
- 68.14** Where permission has been granted to allow a Greyhound to be bandaged or strapped or to wear some other appliance, the Certificate of Registration of the Greyhound shall be endorsed accordingly.
- 68.15** A Greyhound referred to in Rule 68.14 shall not compete in a Race without being bandaged or strapped or wearing such other appliance unless the Steward in Charge of the Meeting, at the time of kennelling has received an application in writing from the Owner, Trainer or authorised Registered Person in charge of the Greyhound to remove the endorsement referred to in Rule 68.14 and the officiating Veterinarian or Authorised Person has certified that the bandage, strapping or other appliance is no longer required.
- 68.16** The Steward in Charge of the Meeting shall cancel the endorsement referred to in Rule 68.14 if the application to remove the endorsement has been approved pursuant to Rule 68.15.
- 68.17** Where permission is granted under Rule 68.15 the Steward in Charge of the Meeting shall prior to the relevant Race cause the details to be announced to the public.
- 68.18** Where a Greyhound requires veterinary assistance at a Meeting including the bandaging and strapping of the Greyhound, such assistance shall be carried out by, or under the supervision of the officiating Veterinarian, an Authorised Person or a Steward.
- 68.19** Subject to this Rule, a Greyhound competing in a Race shall not wear blinkers unless the Greyhound has completed a Satisfactory Trial in blinkers and the Owner or Trainer has obtained the prior permission of the Stewards to do so.
- 68.20** Any blinkers to be worn shall meet the standards approved by the Stewards.

- 68.21 Where permission has been granted to allow a Greyhound to wear blinkers in a Race, the Certificate of Registration of the Greyhound shall be endorsed accordingly.
- 68.22 A Greyhound authorised to wear blinkers under this Rule shall not compete in a Race without blinkers unless the Greyhound has completed a Satisfactory Trial without blinkers and the Stewards have authorised the removal of the endorsement on the Certificate of Registration.
- 68.23 Where permission to wear blinkers is granted pursuant to Rule 68.19 or where the removal of the endorsement is approved pursuant to Rule 68.22 the Steward in Charge of the Meeting shall, prior to the relevant Race cause the details to be announced to the public.
- 68.24 After the identification of a Greyhound produced to compete at a Meeting, the Official carrying out the identification shall retain the Certificate of Registration issued in respect of the Greyhound and the Certificate of Registration shall not be returned until after the completion of the Race.
- 68.25 When a Greyhound is presented in accordance with Rule 68 the Steward in Charge of the Meeting shall cause the Greyhound to be examined by an officiating Veterinarian or Authorised Person in order to determine that the Greyhound is fit to compete and, in the case of the Greyhound being a bitch, is not In Season. If in the opinion of the officiating Veterinarian or Authorised Person a Greyhound is In Season the Greyhound shall be withdrawn from the Race.
- 68.26 Any injury or Illness detected by the Veterinarian or Authorised Person at the time of kennelling shall be notified to the Stewards by way of a Certificate of Incapacitation, which shall contain a recommended period of incapacitation. Such Greyhounds shall be withdrawn from the relevant Race and subject to Rule 82.5 shall not be eligible to compete in any Race during the recommended period of incapacitation.
- 68.27 Any Greyhound withdrawn from a Race under Rule 68.26 due to Illness shall be removed from the kennels immediately.
- 68.28 A Greyhound which fails to fulfil its engagement after kennelling has closed shall have the recorded weight of that Greyhound deleted from its weight card.
- 68.29 Where the Veterinarian or Steward or Authorised Person suspects that a Greyhound is suffering from a skin complaint of a kind which may be transmitted to other Greyhounds or is infested with parasites or is otherwise in an unclean condition, the Greyhound shall be removed from the kennels and shall not be allowed to compete in a Race until:
- a. a certificate from a Veterinarian has been furnished to the Chief Steward, his/her deputy or to the Board, by the Owner or Trainer of the Greyhound certifying that the skin complaint is not of a kind which can be transmitted to another Greyhound or that the Greyhound is no longer suffering from a skin condition or in an unclean condition; or
  - b. it is no longer infested with parasites, and a clearance has been issued by the Chief Steward or the Board.

## 69. **WEIGHING**

- 69.1 The Board shall issue a weight record for each Greyhound in accordance with the policy prescribed by the Board and an endorsement shall be made on the Certificate of Registration of the Greyhound as to the date and place of issue and the serial

number of the weight record. The Board may, if satisfied as to the loss or destruction of a weight record, issue a replacement weight record to the Owner or Trainer of the Greyhound and endorse the Certificate of Registration accordingly.

- 69.2 A Greyhound's weight record shall be produced at every Meeting in which the Greyhound is competing or where required at Heats.
- 69.3 The Greyhound shall not compete in a Race unless the weight record is produced provided however that if the Stewards are satisfied that there are acceptable reasons for the failure to produce the weight record card then the Greyhound may Race.
- 69.4 Where a weight record has been issued in respect of a Greyhound, the Trainer of that Greyhound shall be guilty of an Offence if the weight record is not produced on demand when the Greyhound is presented to compete in a Race.
- 69.5 Where a Greyhound is permitted to compete without the production of a weight record under Rule 69.3:
- a. The Greyhound's weight record must be presented to the Stewards within two (2) working days of the date of the relevant Race, and;
  - b. The Greyhound shall be ineligible to compete in any other Race until the weight record has been presented to the Stewards for endorsement.
- 69.6 A Greyhound shall be weighed, without its lead or collar but with its approved racing Muzzle on, on each occasion that the Greyhound is presented for a Race.
- 69.7 At any time during kennelling, upon request by the Owner/Trainer, Trainer or Handler of a Greyhound competing in a Race, the scales shall be checked by the Stewards with the check weights provided pursuant to Rule 65.2.
- 69.8 The weight of the Greyhound determined in accordance with Rule 69.6 shall be recorded in kilograms and tenths:
- a. in the weight record of the Greyhound; and
  - b. in the records kept by the Board.
- 69.9 The onus shall be on the Handler of the Greyhound to ensure that the weight recorded on the weight record is that declared by the Official weighing the Greyhound.
- 69.10 The Steward in Charge of the Meeting shall, prior to the relevant Race, cause details of the weight of each Greyhound to be:
- a. prominently displayed; or
  - b. announced by public broadcast system.
- 69.11 Where the weight of a Greyhound recorded at a Meeting varies by more than one and a half (1.5) kilograms from the weight recorded in a Race in which it last performed that Greyhound shall be permitted to compete in the current Race but the Trainer of the Greyhound shall be guilty of an Offence unless permission has been granted under Rule 69.12.
- 69.12 Where a Greyhound is presented for a Race and such Greyhound is competing for a Trainer other than the Trainer at its last start the Stewards shall waive any Penalty

that would otherwise be imposed for any weight variance. Permission shall be granted by Stewards for a Greyhound recording a weight variance of more than one and a half (1.5) kilograms to start in a Race provided that such Greyhound has not performed in any Race during the preceding 28 days, and no fine shall be imposed.

## **70. KENNELING**

- 70.1** Each Greyhound shall be allotted a separate kennel.
- 70.2** Unless authorised by the Board, a Club shall ensure no Greyhound is allowed to enter the kennel area unless the Handler is in possession of the appropriate pass with the kennel allocation recorded on it.
- 70.3** No Person shall be permitted to remain in the kennel building once his/her Greyhound is kennelled. No Person shall be permitted to re-enter the kennel building until so permitted by the Stewards.
- 70.4** The Greyhound whilst kennelled shall at all times be kept so that only Persons authorised to do so shall have physical access to such Greyhound.
- 70.5** No Person may remove a Greyhound from its allotted kennel or the kennel building prior to the Greyhound having competed in a Race for which it was presented unless authorisation is obtained from the Steward in Charge of the Meeting.
- 70.6** A Steward, in the exercise of his/her discretion, may prohibit the introduction to the kennel building of:
- a.** Any rug, towel, bedding or other items which is excessive in quantity or dirty, offensive or infested with parasites;
  - b.** Any preparation or substance.
- 70.7** No Person shall in any manner excite or attempt to excite any Greyhound in the kennel building.
- 70.8** No Greyhound shall be permitted to be kennelled with any apparatus on its head other than a Muzzle or head gear approved by the Board.
- 70.9** Any Greyhound to be kennelled must wear a Muzzle unless approval has been obtained from the Steward in charge of the Meeting.
- 70.10** Where a Greyhound is kennelled without a Muzzle, the matting or bedding to be placed in the kennel must be approved by the Steward in Charge of the Meeting.
- 70.11** No person shall cover the door of a kennel with any type of material.

## **71. PREPARATION FOR RACING**

- 71.1** A Greyhound shall be retrieved from its allotted kennel by the Handler under the supervision of a person authorised by the Stewards at the time as displayed in the kennels, so as to allow:
- a.** The identity of the Greyhound to be further verified;

- b. The Greyhound to be further examined by an officiating Veterinarian or a person authorised by the Stewards in order to determine that the Greyhound is fit to compete and, in the case of a bitch, is not In Season if required;
  - c. The Appropriate Race Rug to be placed on the Greyhound;
  - d. The Greyhound to relieve itself;
  - e. Any item or substance, with the approval of a Steward, to be applied to the Greyhound prior to leaving the kennels;
  - f. The Greyhound be paraded before the public;
  - g. The examination by an Official to ensure that the Muzzle and the Appropriate Race Rug have been placed on the Greyhound securely so as to prevent its dislodgment during the running of the Race.
- 71.2 If the Handler of a Greyhound engaged to compete in a Race fails to appear at the kennels at the appointed time to retrieve the Greyhound, the Stewards may order the withdrawal of the Greyhound and the Handler shall be guilty of an Offence.
- 71.3 No person handling a Greyhound whilst it is being paraded before the public pursuant to Rule 71.1f shall communicate excessively with any Person outside the Parade Area.
- 71.4 The Handler of a Greyhound engaged to compete in a Race shall where required ensure that another Handler is in attendance at the catching area prior to the commencement of the Race for the purpose of catching the Greyhound.
- 71.5 Where the Steward in Charge of the Meeting is of the opinion that the Person handling a Greyhound is, by reason of intoxication, illness or any other cause, incapable of properly handling the Greyhound he/she shall order that the Greyhound be handled by another Person. The determination of the Steward in Charge of the Meeting on the matter is final and any person failing to comply with such order shall be guilty of an Offence.
- 71.6 Where an order given pursuant to Rule 71.5 is not complied with the Steward in Charge of the Meeting shall order the Greyhound to be withdrawn from the Race.
- 71.7 No Person shall carry or assist the Greyhound from the Parade Area to the starting point.
- 71.8 The Steward or such Person designated to act as a Parade Official shall cause the Greyhounds to be removed from the Parade Area at a time so as to ensure that the Greyhounds shall arrive at the starting point prior to the advertised starting time of the Race.
- 71.9 If the Parade Official is unable to compel the Handler of a Greyhound to obey his/her orders, he/she shall report the matter to the Stewards.
- 71.10 A Greyhound must at all times whilst on the Racecourse wear a Muzzle acceptable to the Stewards.
- 72. STARTER**
- 72.1 Races shall be started by the Starter appointed by the Club or the Stewards.

- 72.2 The Starter may give all such orders and take all such measures as he/she considers necessary to ensure a fair start.
- 72.3 When the Greyhounds arrive at the starting boxes for a Race they shall be deemed to be in the Starter's hands.
- 72.4 If the Starter is unable to compel the Handler of a Greyhound which is in the Starter's hands to obey his/her orders, he/she may delay the start and shall report the matter to the Stewards.
- 72.5 After Greyhounds engaged in a Race are placed in the Starter's hands, the Starter shall order that any nose straps, head checks, lead, collar or parade rugs worn by the Greyhounds be removed.
- 72.6 Where the Starter is of the opinion that a Handler of a Greyhound is having difficulty in placing it in the starting boxes, he/she should seek or render such assistance as is necessary to place the Greyhound in its starting position.
- 72.7 If the Handler of a Greyhound hinders or attempts to hinder the Starter from carrying out his/her duties pursuant to Rule 72.6, the Handler shall be guilty of an Offence.
- 72.8 Where a Handler refuses to place a Greyhound in the appropriate starting box as directed by the Starter or a Steward, the Stewards shall withdraw the Greyhound from the Race and the Handler shall be guilty of an Offence.
- 72.9 The Starter shall be responsible for ensuring that:
- a. Unless directed otherwise by the Stewards, Greyhounds are to be placed in the starting boxes in odds and evens order, that is, numbers 1-3-5-7 followed by numbers 2-4-6-8;
  - b. The doors of the starting boxes are securely fastened after all the Greyhounds have been placed therein and no Greyhound is visibly held or caught by doors;
  - c. Neither he/she nor any other person attracts the attention of any Greyhounds once they have been placed in the starting boxes;
  - d. Races are started without undue delay by signalling to the Lure Driver to immediately activate the Lure.
- 72.10 Where the Stewards have declared a Greyhound difficult to place in a starting box, the Stewards shall order that the Greyhound be placed in a starting box prior to other Greyhounds in future Races, and shall cause the Certificate of Registration of the Greyhound to be endorsed "to be boxed first" until such time the Stewards are satisfied that the Greyhound is no longer difficult to place in a starting box.
- 72.11 The endorsement referred to in Rule 72.10 shall be cancelled if the Stewards are satisfied that the Greyhound is no longer difficult to place in a starting box.
- 72.12 Once a Greyhound has been placed in a starting box, its position in the box shall not be allowed to be corrected by any Person.
- 72.13 Where a Greyhound turns in its box and does not, in the opinion of the Stewards, take a competitive part in the Race, then before it can start in a race it shall be required to complete a "box trial", on such conditions as the Stewards or an Authorised Person, in their sole discretion require.

**73. LURE DRIVER**

- 73.1 The Board shall approve a person to be a Lure Driver.
- 73.2 A Club shall have not less than 2 Lure Drivers in attendance at a Meeting and the Stewards may allocate the Races for which any Lure Driver shall drive the Lure.
- 73.3 A Club shall not employ a person in the capacity of Lure Driver for a Meeting unless that person has been approved by the Board.
- 73.4 The Board may, without assigning a reason, withdraw the approval of a person to be a Lure Driver by notice in writing.

**74. STARTING POINT**

- 74.1 A disc or other mark to denote the starting place of the Lure shall be placed at a position not exceeding 100 metres behind the starting boxes as to ensure that the Lure reaches the starting boxes approximately 7 seconds after being set in motion.
- 74.2 The gates of the starting boxes shall open instantaneously upon the Lure reaching the starting point. If in the opinion of the Steward in Charge of the Meeting, the automatic mechanism is failing to operate effectively, he/she may order that the gate be opened manually by the Starter upon the Lure reaching the starting point.
- 74.3 Where an automatic starting device is not in operation, the point at which the Starter elects to start Races shall be painted on the running rail or indicated by a disc.

**75. LURE DISTANCE**

- 75.1 The Lure shall be controlled so as to be positioned at all times during the running of a Race at a distance of not less than 5 metres and no greater than 8 metres ahead of the leading Greyhound. However, the Steward in Charge of the Meeting may permit a variance to such distance if he/she is satisfied that as a consequence of such variance no Greyhound has been substantially inconvenienced in running so as to affect the outcome of the Race.
- 75.2 Where the Stewards are of the opinion that the outcome of a Race has been affected by the positioning of the Lure, the Stewards may declare the Race to be a "No Race".

**76. NO RACE - FALSE START**

- 76.1 Should there be an occurrence of any human intervention, mechanical or other defect which has the effect of preventing a Race from being completed or there are other circumstances arising which warrant such action being taken, the Stewards may declare the Race to be a False Start or a No Race.
- 76.2 Rule 76.1 shall not apply where a Greyhound Mars or fails to pursue the Lure with due commitment during the running of a Race.
- 76.3 Where the Stewards declare, or are considering whether to declare, a Race to be a False Start or No Race, they shall cause a warning signal to be given and an announcement to be made over the public broadcast system.

- 76.4 Where the Stewards have declared a Race to be a No Race or False Start an approved signal shall be displayed and an announcement shall be made over the public broadcast system.
- 76.5 In the event of a False Start, the officiating Veterinarian shall inspect all Greyhounds. A restart will be approved by the Stewards providing the Veterinarian passes 50 % or more of the Field fit to start.
- 76.6 A Race declared to be a False Start or No Race shall be postponed or abandoned and shall not be re-started if, in the opinion of the Steward in charge of the Meeting (acting on the advice of the officiating Veterinarian or an Authorised Person and in consultation with the Trainer or Handler of the Greyhound), the re-starting of the Race would be detrimental to the welfare of the Greyhounds or, any other circumstance warrants the postponement or abandonment of the Race.
- 76.7 Where a Race is abandoned pursuant to Rule 75.2 and/or Rule 76.6 and such abandoned Race is a Heat or Semi-Final of a Race, the Race shall be re-run as soon as practical either on the day or at a time to be agreed by Stewards, the Club, and connections of the affected Greyhounds. If, in the opinion of Stewards, a re-run is not possible then the Chief Executive or his/her appointed nominee shall, in his/her sole discretion, determine the Greyhound or Greyhounds, as the case may be, which shall be eligible to compete in the Semi-Final or Final.
- 76.8 A determination conducted pursuant to this Rule will render any Greyhound ineligible to be a Reserve Greyhound if times are a factor in the selection of Reserve Greyhounds.

## 77. HURDLE RACING

- 77.1 A hurdle used in a hurdle Race shall be:
- a. Not less than sixty five (65) centimetres in height;
  - b. Of a construction approved by the Board; and
  - c. Placed so as not to lean more than ten (10) degrees from the perpendicular.
- 77.2 Where in a hurdle Race, a Greyhound runs through the space provided for the Lure or runs around a hurdle (not being a hurdle displaced by another Greyhound in the Race) that Greyhound shall be Disqualified.
- 77.3 Where a hurdle has been displaced during the running of a hurdle Race, the hurdle may be replaced if it has to be crossed a second time.

## 78. JUDGING

- 78.1 The Board shall approve persons to act as Judges at Meetings.
- 78.2 A Club shall have a Judge and an Assistant Judge in attendance at a Meeting.
- 78.3 The placings in a Race shall be decided only by the Judge, or in his/her absence by the Assistant Judge, but only if he/she occupies the Judge's box at the time when the Greyhounds pass the finishing line.
- 78.4 The Board or Stewards may authorise the use, and the acceptance of any results, of any method or device (including, without limitation, photography, video and other

image recording devices) to assist the determination of placings of Greyhounds in a Race.

- 78.5 Where the Judge or the Assistant Judge are not in the Judge's box at the time the Greyhounds pass the finishing line then the Steward in Charge of the Meeting or his/her nominee shall assume the role of Judge and may determine the placings.
- 78.6 The Judge, his/her assistant or the Steward in Charge of the Meeting or his/her nominee, as the case may be, shall record the placings of all Greyhounds in a Race according to the order in which their noses have reached the finishing line.
- 78.7 If a Greyhound refuses to follow the Lure or leaves the track, the Judge shall decide the result of that Race after conferring with the Steward in Charge of the Meeting.
- 78.8 In a Race in which the margin between placed Greyhounds is of 1/2 length of one Greyhound or less the Judge shall determine the placings with the aid of any method or device pursuant to Rule 78.4.
- 78.9 Subject to Rule 78.10, the Judge shall immediately, on determining the placings of Greyhounds, advertise such placings.
- 78.10 The Steward in Charge of the Meeting may cause the "All Clear" to be given for the winner, or the winner and second place getter after the Judge has determined the placings for the winner or the winner and the second place getter and prior to the Judge determining the placings of the remaining Greyhounds.
- 78.11 The decision of a Judge that a Greyhound has won or has been placed shall be final subject only to alteration by the Stewards, in their absolute discretion, provided that the Judge may correct any mistakes before giving the "All Clear" for the Race.
- 78.12 The Judge in consultation with the Stewards, or the Stewards, may correct any mistakes after the "All Clear" has been given.
- 78.13 No such correction made after "All Clear" has been given shall have any effect on betting transactions which shall be settled on the basis of the placings existing at the time that "All Clear" was given.
- 78.14 The timing of all Races shall be carried out by the Judge or Assistant Judge or any other person authorised by the Board or Stewards for that purpose and determined using .01 of a second as the basic unit of measurement and for the purposes of these rules .066 of a second shall be the equivalent of one body length of a Greyhound.
- 78.15 Where a Greyhound starts from an incorrect box position, it shall be Disqualified from the Race. The Judge on being notified of such Disqualification shall amend his/her determination of the placements.
- 78.16 Where a Steward in Charge of the Meeting is satisfied, upon investigation, that a Greyhound was ineligible to compete in the Race, such Greyhound shall be Disqualified from the Race and the Stewards shall amend the placings accordingly.
- 78.17 The entitlement of Prize Money (save as otherwise provided for in these Rules) shall be determined on the basis of the placings existing at the time that the "All Clear" was given.
- 78.18 Where for any reason (including, without limitation, as a result of a correction of a mistake pursuant to Rule 78.12) a Greyhound is Disqualified and another eligible Greyhound thereby becomes the winner or a place-getter in the Race, the Owner or

Trainer of the latter Greyhound is entitled to recover from the Owner or Trainer of the Disqualified Greyhound any Prize Money, or other prize in relation to that Race awarded by the Club conducting the Meeting, and if the Owner or Trainer of the Disqualified Greyhound refuses or otherwise fails to return any Prize Money or prize in relation to the particular Race within fourteen (14) days after the Disqualification of the Greyhound, the Owner or Trainer of the Disqualified Greyhound shall be declared a Defaulter and shall be placed in the Defaulters List.

78.19 A Club is not responsible for the recovery of any Prize Money or prize by the Owner or Trainer of the replacement Greyhound from the Owner or Trainer of the Disqualified Greyhound.

## 79. PRIZE MONEY AND AWARDS MAY BE WITHHELD

79.1 Where:

- a. a charge or an objection is laid; or
- b. any action is taken or is about to be taken which could lead to a charge or an objection being laid, and the result of that charge or objection could affect the result of a Race;

the Stewards may direct the Club conducting the Race to withhold the payment of any Prize Money or other award to any Greyhound which is or could be concerned pending the outcome of the charge or objection.

## 80. MARRING AND FAILING TO PURSUE

80.1 Where a Greyhound, in the opinion of the Stewards;

- a. Mars the running of any other Greyhound during a Race; or
- b. Fails to pursue the Lure in a Race;

the Stewards may impose the following periods of suspension.

- i. in the case of a first offence, twenty-eight (28) days and until the completion of a Satisfactory Trial; or
- ii. in the case of a second similar offence, three (3) months and until the completion of a Satisfactory Trial, or
- iii. in the case of a third or subsequent similar offence, twelve (12) months and until the completion of a Satisfactory Trial.

80.2 Where a Greyhound fails to pursue the Lure as provided under Rule 80.1b, the Greyhound shall be examined by the officiating Veterinarian or Authorised Person.

80.3 For the purposes of this Rule, "seriously injured" means an injury which the Veterinarian or Authorised Person concludes will result in a period of incapacitation of 21 days or more.

80.4 Where a Greyhound is found not to be seriously injured upon an examination pursuant to Rule 80.2, the Owner or Trainer of the Greyhound may, within 72 hours after the completion of the Meeting at which the Greyhound failed to pursue the Lure,

apply to the Stewards seeking a re-examination at a time to be agreed by the Stewards.

- 80.5** Where a Greyhound is found to be seriously injured upon an examination pursuant to Rule 80.2 or re-examination pursuant to Rule 80.4, a certificate shall be produced to the Stewards by the Veterinarian or Authorised Person detailing the injury. The Stewards shall not endorse the Greyhound's Certificate of Registration and shall not impose a Suspension pursuant to Rule 80.1 but shall order the Greyhound to undergo a Satisfactory Trial before it is eligible to compete in any Race.
- 80.6** Where a Greyhound is found by the Stewards to have engaged in Marring or has failed to pursue the Lure during a Race the Stewards shall, subject to Rule 80.5, endorse the Certificate of Registration of the Greyhound with the particulars of the offence.
- 80.7** Where the Certificate of Registration of a Greyhound contains an endorsement under Rule 80.6 for Marring or failing to pursue the Lure and that Greyhound competes in ten (10) Races, without again having its Certificate of Registration endorsed for a similar offence, the Board may, upon application by the Owner or Trainer of the Greyhound, cancel the endorsement. Only one (1) application may be made pursuant to this Rule in respect of a Greyhound.
- 80.8** Where the Board cancels an endorsement pursuant to Rule 80.7 the Board shall, upon the Certificate of Registration of the Greyhound concerned being produced to the Board, cause "Cancelled" to be stamped across the endorsement.
- 80.9** Where the Board causes "Cancelled" to be stamped over an endorsement pursuant to Rule 80.8 then that one cancelled endorsement shall not be treated as a prior offence for the purpose of determining the length of the period of Suspension to be imposed on a subsequent offence under Rule 80.1.
- 80.10** Where a Greyhound is Suspended pursuant to Rule 80.1 and is required to complete a Satisfactory Trial the Satisfactory Trial shall not be carried out on the day of the offence and shall be in a field of four which shall not be a Qualifying Trial or Race.

## **81. UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE**

- 81.1** Where a Greyhound fails to perform to the satisfaction of the Stewards or an Authorised Person, the Stewards or the Authorised Person may, after considering any submission made by the Trainer or person in charge of the Greyhound, order that the Greyhound undergo one or more Satisfactory Trials and/or such action as they deem necessary before being eligible to compete further in any Race. No appeal shall lie in respect of an order made to undergo one or more Satisfactory Trials.
- 81.2** Where a Greyhound is ordered pursuant to these Rules to undergo a Satisfactory Trial the Greyhound shall not be permitted to compete in or be Nominated for any Race until there has been compliance with the following provisions:
- a.** The Trainer of the Greyhound shall make application to a Club that the Satisfactory Trial be conducted.
  - b.** The Club upon receipt of such application shall make the necessary arrangements and shall advise the Trainer accordingly.
  - c.** The Satisfactory Trial shall be conducted with a field of Greyhounds as determined by the Stewards over a similar distance or distance approved by

the Stewards. For clearance at all venues the Satisfactory Trial may be performed at any venue.

- d. The Satisfactory Trial shall be completed in the presence of and to the satisfaction of a Steward or Authorised Person.

## **82. GREYHOUNDS SUFFERING AN INJURY OR ILLNESS**

**82.1** Where a Greyhound is withdrawn from, or injured during an Race the officiating Veterinarian or Authorised Person or, in their absence, the Steward in Charge of the Meeting, may at his/her discretion issue a Certificate of Incapacitation imposing the period of incapacitation commencing on the day on which the Greyhound is withdrawn from, or is injured in, any Race conducted by a Club.

**82.2** The Stewards shall cause the original Certificate of Incapacitation to be handed to the Owner, Trainer or Handler, where practicable, and shall forward a copy of the Certificate of Incapacitation to the Board with a report of the Steward in Charge of the Meeting.

**82.3** Where it is not practicable for the Certificate of Incapacitation to be handed to the Owner, Trainer or Handler the Certificate of Incapacitation shall, within three (3) working days after the conclusion of the Meeting be forwarded to the Owner or Trainer of the Greyhound concerned by prepaid ordinary post to the last known address of the Owner or Trainer, and shall be deemed to have been received by the addressee in the ordinary course of post.

**82.4** Subject to Rule 82.5, an Owner or Trainer shall not permit the Greyhound named in a Certificate of Incapacitation under this Rule to compete in any Race or Satisfactory Trial during the period of incapacitation.

**82.5** Where a Greyhound is prohibited pursuant to Rules 64.9, 68.25, 68.26 and 82.1 from competing in any Race, the Trainer may:

- a. subsequent to the day that a Certificate of Incapacitation is issued pursuant to Rules 68.26 and 82.1; or
- b. in the case of a prohibition under Rule 64.9 or 68.25 subsequent to the day that a Veterinarian or Authorised Person's gives his/her opinion that a Greyhound is In Season

apply to a Steward in Charge of the Meeting that the Greyhound be examined by an officiating Veterinarian or Authorised Person in the presence of a Steward in order to determine whether at the time the Greyhound is free of injury or is not In Season as the case may be. A Trainer shall be permitted to make only one such application.

**82.6** If the Greyhound is found not to be suffering an injury or is not In Season upon an examination pursuant to Rule 82.5, the restriction imposed pursuant to Rules 68.25, 68.26 and 82.1 shall be removed immediately.

**82.7** If the Greyhound is found to be suffering an injury or is In Season upon an examination pursuant to Rule 82.5, the restriction imposed pursuant to Rules 68.25, 68.26 and 82.1 shall continue to have effect.

**82.8** Where:

- a. A Greyhound is examined by the officiating Veterinarian at a Meeting and is found to be suffering from an illness or condition which affects or may affect

its central or peripheral nervous system or any part of that system, or which in the opinion of that Veterinarian may cause erratic behaviour or unsatisfactory performance of the Greyhound in, or otherwise affect the true running of, an Race; or

- b. The Board is notified at the hearing of a charge or an objection or appeal that the Greyhound has such an Illness or condition;

the Stewards shall order the Greyhound to be prohibited from competing in a Race until such time as a Veterinarian is satisfied that the Greyhound ceases to have any such Illness or condition.

**82.9** Where a Greyhound is prohibited from competing in an Race pursuant to Rule 82.8, the Owner or Trainer may apply in writing to the Chief Steward for a further examination of the Greyhound by a Veterinarian. Before such examination, the Greyhound shall be required to complete a Satisfactory Trial in the presence and to the satisfaction of a Steward. Upon completion of a Satisfactory Trial, the Greyhound shall be examined by a Veterinarian approved by the Chief Steward or another Steward authorised by him/her. If the Veterinarian's examination indicates that the Greyhound is in good health, he/she shall issue a certificate to that effect and the prohibition under Rule 82.8 shall cease to have effect immediately.

**82.10** Where a Greyhound is examined by the officiating Veterinarian at a Meeting or Satisfactory Trial or Qualifying Trial and is found to have or suspected of having impaired vision in one or both eyes, the Stewards shall order the Greyhound to be prohibited from competing in an Race until such time as:

- a. a specialist veterinary ophthalmologist, approved by the Board, examines the Greyhound and certifies that the Greyhound's vision is adequate to allow the Greyhound to see the Lure; and
- b. the Greyhound has completed a Satisfactory Trial.

### **83. RACING AFTER WHELPING**

**83.1** A Greyhound which has whelped a litter shall not be Nominated for a Race to be conducted within 16 weeks after the date of the whelping and until it has run a Satisfactory Trial in the presence of the Stewards pursuant to Rule 81.2.

**83.2** Where a Greyhound whelps a litter, the Owner or Trainer of the Greyhound shall, when next Nominating the Greyhound for a Meeting, notify the Board the details of such an occurrence.

**83.3** Any person who fails to comply with Rule 83.2 shall be guilty of an Offence.

### **84. AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AUTOPSY**

**84.1** If a Greyhound dies either before, during or after an Race, and a Veterinarian is unable to determine the cause of the death of the Greyhound without performing an autopsy, then an autopsy shall be performed by a Veterinarian in the presence of a Steward authorised by the Steward in Charge of the Meeting.

**84.2** Where an autopsy has been carried out pursuant to Rule 84.1 a certificate and/or report signed by any person who purports to be a Veterinarian shall be, without proof of the signature thereon, for the purpose of any proceedings pursuant to these Rules, prima facie evidence of the matters contained therein.

84.3 For the purposes of Rule 84.1:

- a. the Stewards may take possession of and detain a Greyhound for such period and under such conditions as the Stewards may think proper; and
- b. no liability shall lie against the Club, the Board or their servants or agents for any loss or damage howsoever sustained.

## 85. **AUTHORITY TO TEST**

85.1 The Stewards may, or the Board may direct the Stewards, to carry out or cause to be carried out such test or tests as they shall deem necessary in relation to a Greyhound which has been entered for, or has competed in, an Race.

85.2 For the purposes of this Rule:

- a. the Stewards may take possession of and detain a Greyhound for such period and under such conditions as the Stewards may think proper; and
- b. no liability shall lie against the Club, the Board or their servants or agents for any loss or damage howsoever sustained.

85.3 The Owner or Trainer of a Greyhound detained pursuant to Rule 85.2 a shall, within three (3) days of receipt of written notice from the Board that the Greyhound is ready for collection:

- a. pay the Board an amount determined by the Board in its sole discretion for the costs incurred by the Board in detaining the Greyhound for the purposes of this Rule; and
- b. collect the Greyhound from the custody of the Board.

## 86. **SWABBING/TESTING PROCEDURE**

86.1 Where the Stewards have requested or instructed a Veterinarian to take specimens for the purposes of testing a Greyhound under Rule 85.1, the Veterinarian shall be entitled to take from the Greyhound such specimen or specimens of its excreta, urine, blood, saliva or other body substance and to carry out such tests as the Veterinarian shall think fit.

86.2 Where a Veterinarian is unavailable at the time when the Stewards may require specimen or specimens of a Greyhound to be taken, a Steward or an Authorised Person may only take a specimen of the excreta, urine or saliva from a Greyhound.

86.3 A Steward or Veterinarian or an Authorised Person carrying out a test or taking a specimen pursuant to this Rule shall not be liable for any loss, damage or injury arising out of, or occurring during the taking of the specimen.

86.4 The Owner, Trainer or a person representing the Owner or Trainer of a Greyhound shall be given the opportunity to be present at any examination, the taking of a specimen or when an autopsy is carried out, unless otherwise directed by the Stewards.

86.5 All Totalisator Clubs shall provide a well lit, clean, maximum security room with facilities for washing hands and equipment and for completing documentation

pertaining to swabbing procedures. During the preparation of the swabbing equipment the Owner, Trainer or Handler of the Greyhound shall be given the opportunity to be present and to observe all stages of the swabbing procedure.

**86.6** Procedure for obtaining urine samples:

- a. Three plastic bottles are required for each sample. All are of the same capacity and either can be used for the urine samples and the cleansing sample.
- b. Into one of the bottles, pour the cleansing solution. Replace the cap and thoroughly rinse. The same liquid is then poured into another of the bottles and rinsed in a similar manner. Repeat the same procedure for the third bottle.
- c. Pour the liquid from the third bottle back into one of the other bottles and place on cap. This becomes the control solution. Note on the container that the bottle contains the control solution. Place in the transit bag.
- d. The collection of urine from the Greyhound is then taken. If the Owner, Trainer or Handler of the Greyhound wishes an additional sample, this is supplied in the third bottle and forwarded to the analyst with the other sample and solution.
- e. The swabbing card details are completed.
- f. The relevant portion of the card for the Owner, Trainer or Handler is retained by that person. The Steward or Authorised Person should point out the notification thereon.
- g. One portion is handed to the secretary of the Club.
- h. The third portion contains details of the time the sample was taken and must be signed where indicated. This is to be handed to the Steward who shall forward on to the Association office.
- i. The transit bag should be despatched immediately following the Meeting to the analyst. If a delay occurs the transit bag should be kept under refrigeration.

**86.7** Where a specimen is taken from any Greyhound pursuant to these Rules, an agreed report signed by any person who purports to have taken such specimen shall be, without proof of the signature thereon, prima facie evidence of the matters contained therein for the purpose of any proceedings pursuant to these Rules.

**86.8** Where the specimen taken from a Greyhound has been analysed by an analyst approved by the Board, a certificate signed by any person who purports to be an analyst approved by the Board shall be, without proof of the signature thereon, prima facie evidence of the matters contained therein for the purpose of any proceedings pursuant to these Rules.

**86.9** Where in any proceedings pursuant to these Rules it is necessary to prove that a substance is a Drug as defined in these Rules, a certificate signed by a person who is or purports to be a Veterinarian, chemist or analyst approved by the Board, or a Veterinarian, chemist or analyst who is employed by a corporate Veterinarian, chemist or analyst or a firm of Veterinarians, chemists or analysts approved by the

Board, shall be prima facie evidence of the matters contained in the certificate without proof of the signature on the certificate.

**86.10** When a Drug has been found upon analysis to have been administered to a Greyhound which has been Nominated for or has competed in an Race, the Stewards shall, upon receipt of the analyst's certificate under Rule 86.8, officially notify the Owner and Trainer of the Greyhound:

- a. of the finding of the analyst; and
- b. that any enquiry into the circumstances surrounding the administration of the Drug is to be held as soon as possible.

## **87. DRUGS**

**87.1** The Owner, Trainer or Person in charge of a Greyhound Nominated to compete in an Race, shall produce the Greyhound for the Race free of any Drug.

**87.2** Any Person who administers, attempts to administer or causes to be administered, aids or abets any person to administer, or has any prior knowledge of a Drug being administered to a Greyhound for the purpose of affecting its performance or behaviour in any Race or preventing it from starting in an Race shall be guilty of an Offence.

**87.3** Without limiting any of the provisions of these Rules, the Owner and Trainer or person for the time being in charge of any Greyhound brought onto the Racecourse of any Club for the purposes of engaging in any Race which is found on testing, examination or analysis conducted pursuant to these Rules to have received a Drug shall be severally guilty of an Offence, unless the Board determines to absolve the Owner and/or Trainer or person in charge of any Greyhound from the Offence.

**87.4** Any Greyhound which competes in a Race and is found to be the recipient of a Drug shall be Disqualified from that Race.

## **88. OFFENCES**

**88.1** Any person (including an Official) commits an offence if he/she:

- a. contravenes any of these Rules;
- b. fails to comply with any conditions to which his/her registration as an Owner, Trainer or Handler is subject or with any conditions to which the registration of any Greyhound owned by him/her or under his/her care or custody is subject;
- c. corruptly accepts, or offers to accept, offers or gives any money, share in a bet or other benefit in connection with Greyhound racing;
- d. being an Owner, Trainer, Handler or person having Official duties in relation to Greyhound racing, makes a false or misleading statement in relation to an investigation, examination, test or inquiry, or makes or causes to be made a falsification in a document in connection with Greyhound racing or the registration of a Greyhound;
- e. being an Owner, Trainer, Handler or a person having Official duties in relation to Greyhound racing refuses or fails to attend or to give evidence or produce a

document or other thing at a hearing held under these Rules when directed by the Board, Stewards or the Club Committee of a Club to do so;

- f. uses improper, insulting, or offensive language in either the written or spoken form towards, or in relation to:
  - i. a Steward;
  - ii. the Club Committee, or a member of a Club Committee;
  - iii. the Board, or a member of the Board; or
  - iv. any other Person having Official duties in relation to Greyhound racing;
- g. assaults, obstructs, impedes, abuses, threatens or insults the Board, any member of the Board, a Club, any member of the Club Committee, any Steward, or any other Official;
- h. prevents, attempts to prevent, interferes with or attempts to interfere with the carrying out of any identification, examination, test, autopsy, analysis, inquiry or investigation under these Rules;
- i. being the Owner, Trainer or Nominator of a Greyhound, or a Person having an interest in a Greyhound, Nominates or runs that Greyhound in a Race under a fraudulent, misleading or deceptive description;
- j. registers, attempts to register or causes to be registered a Greyhound of which he/she is not the Owner, or which he/she is not otherwise entitled so to register under these Rules, in a name other than that of the Owner, or by way of a false or fraudulent document, statement or representation;
- k. falsely or fraudulently registers, attempts to Register or causes to be Registered himself or herself or another person under these Rules, or by way of a false or fraudulent document, statement or representation;
- l. being a Person who is not registered with the Board or an Approved Registration Authority as a Trainer, acts or holds himself out as a trainer of a Greyhound entitled or intended to compete in a Race;
- m. attempts or conspires with another person to commit a breach of these Rules;
- n. knowingly aids, abets, counsels or procures a person to commit a breach of these Rules;
- o. has, in relation to a Greyhound or Greyhound racing, done a thing, or omitted to do a thing, which, in the opinion of the Stewards, is negligent, dishonest, corrupt, fraudulent or improper, or constitutes misconduct;
- p. disobeys or fails to comply with the lawful order of a Steward or other Person having Official duties in relation to Greyhound racing;
- q. commits or omits to do any act or engages in conduct which is in any way detrimental or prejudicial to the interest, welfare, image, control or promotion of Greyhound racing;
- r. alters (including by addition, amendment or deletion), duplicates or falsifies any document issued by the Board without the authority of the Board;

- s. wilfully Nominates, causes to be Nominated or to compete in a Race a Greyhound which he/she knows to be Disqualified, or the Owner, Trainer or Nominator of which he/she knows to be Disqualified or Suspended;
- t. uses an assumed name or a name other than his/her own in relation to Greyhound racing without permission of the Board or an Approved Registration Authority;
- u. uses for breeding purposes Greyhounds which have been Disqualified from being used for those purposes;
- v. takes part in or is in any way associated with:
  - i. a Meeting which has not been approved by the Board under these Rules; or
  - ii. a Meeting conducted otherwise than by a registered Club under these Rules;
- w. makes any statement which is to his/her knowledge false either orally, by print, in writing, by electronic means or by any combination thereof to a member of the Board, Steward, Racecourse Inspector, a Veterinarian or an Official in the execution of his/her duty;
- x. does or attempts to do any act or causes to be done any act for the purposes of affecting the performance or behaviour of any Greyhound in any Race or preventing it from starting in a Race;
- y. being a Handler of a Greyhound fails to comply with the Board's dress standards;
- z. tampers with any rug, Muzzle or other item used on a Greyhound, or uses any substance or item to affect the performance of a Greyhound or Greyhounds.

88.2 A Club commits a breach of these Rules if:

- a. it contravenes any of these Rules;
- b. it fails to give effect to any decision, order or direction made or given by the Board or a Steward pursuant to its or his/her powers and notified to it in writing by the Chief Executive or any other Official of the Board; or
- c. it obstructs or impedes the Board, any member of the Board, any Steward or any other Official of the Board acting under the Act or these Rules, and shall be guilty of an Offence and liable to a Penalty.

## 89. PENALTIES

89.1 Any Person found guilty of an Offence under these Rules shall be liable to, in the sole and absolute discretion of the Board or the Stewards:

- a. a fine not exceeding \$10,000.00 for any one (1) Offence; and/or
- b. Suspension; and/or
- c. Disqualification; and/or
- d. Warning Off.

- 89.2 Any Club found guilty of an Offence under these Rules shall be liable to, in the sole and absolute discretion of the Board or the Stewards:
- a. a fine not exceeding \$10,000.00 for any one (1) offence; and/or
  - b. Suspension of its affiliation to the Association; and/or
  - c. cancellation of its affiliation to the Association; and/or
  - d. formal reprimand.
- 89.3 Unless the Board otherwise permits, a fine imposed under these Rules shall be paid to the Board within fourteen (14) days of the date upon which the Person fined is notified of the Penalty imposed upon him/her, or in the event of an appeal, when the fine is upheld either in whole or in part, within fourteen (14) days of the date when the fine is upheld.
- 89.4 Any Registration with the Board held by a person who is Disqualified will be automatically cancelled.
- 89.5 Unless the Board in special circumstances otherwise directs, a person who has been Disqualified is not:
- a. entitled to retain any registration certificates held by the person; or
  - b. permitted to transact any business affecting the registration of persons or Greyhounds with the Board; and
  - c. to enter any enclosure or other portion of a Racecourse or any lands occupied or used in connection with a Racecourse during any Race, whether acting as agent or otherwise; and
  - d. to have any of the rights or privileges conferred by any registration under these Rules; and
  - e. eligible to otherwise participate in or associate with Greyhound racing (including the breeding of Greyhounds), and any Greyhound which has been Nominated by the Disqualified Person or in the Disqualified Person's name, or of which the Disqualified Person is wholly or partly the Owner or which is proved to the satisfaction of the Board to be under the Disqualified Person's care, custody or training, is prohibited from competing in any Race conducted by a Club.
- 89.6 Unless the Board in special circumstances otherwise directs, when a Greyhound has been Disqualified the Disqualified Greyhound is prohibited from competing in any Race conducted by a Club or from being used for breeding Greyhounds.
- 89.7 Unless the Board in special circumstances otherwise directs, when a Person has been Suspended, any Greyhound, which has been Nominated by the Person or in the Person's name, or of which the person is wholly or partly the Owner or which is under the Person's care, custody or training, is prohibited from competing in any Race conducted by a Club during the period of Suspension.

## 90. DEFAULTERS

- 90.1 A list to be known as the 'Defaulter's List' shall be kept in the office of the Chief Executive of the Association and shall be regularly published in the official publication of the Association.
- 90.2 Any Person who owes arrears to the Association or a Club may be placed on the Defaulter's List.
- 90.3 Every entry made in the Defaulter's List shall state the name of the Person and the name of the Greyhound (if any) to which the arrears relate, to whom the arrears are due and the amount of such arrears.
- 90.4 The Board may from time to time transmit to any authority copies of the Defaulter's List.
- 90.5 Any person recorded in the Defaulter's List shall, if licensed, have their licence Suspended until such time as the arrears have been paid.
- 90.6 Any Greyhound owned or trained by a Person recorded in the Defaulter's List shall not be eligible to be entered for or to start in any Race.
- 90.7 The Suspension and/or ineligibility referred to in Rules 90.5 and 90.6 shall not take effect until fourteen clear days after the Defaulter's List is published.

## 91. NOTICE OF OBJECTION

- 91.1 An objection may be made against any Greyhound in respect of any Race on the following grounds:
- a. That one or more Greyhounds is not entitled to be placed in the Race in accordance with the Judge's decision;
  - b. That by reason of any breach of these Rules, the Race should be declared void;
  - c. Any objection on the grounds of mis-statement or omission in any entry, or on the ground that the Greyhound which competed was not the Greyhound Nominated, or that such Greyhound was not qualified under the conditions of the Race, or that the Greyhound concerned was Disqualified, or that the name of the Owner or Trainer of such Greyhound is on the List of Defaulters, or is Disqualified, may be lodged in writing with the secretary of the Club within fourteen (14) days of the conclusion of the Meeting.
- 91.2 Objections under Rule 91.1 can be lodged verbally by the Owner, Trainer or Handler of some other Greyhound engaged in the Race. Such objection shall subject to Rule 91.1(c) be lodged to the secretary of the Club within three minutes of the Judge having confirmed the placings and shall be accompanied by a fee of \$25.00. The Secretary will issue a receipt noting the time the lodgement was received and which will serve as confirmation that the objection has been made.

## 92. LAYING OF CHARGES

- 92.1 a. A charge may be laid against any Person, Body and/or Greyhound in respect of any incident, matter or thing occurring, arising or taking place during the



- 92.5 If a hearing in relation to a charge laid pursuant to Rule 92.2 is to be heard by the Adjudicating Steward the following provisions shall apply:
- a. The Adjudicating Steward shall conduct the hearing as he or she sees fit.
  - b. Where for any reason the Adjudicating Steward is not able to conduct the hearing, the hearing shall be conducted by any person specified by the Board.
  - c. The Adjudicating Steward or such other person conducting the hearing may in his or her discretion admit any evidence that he or she deems relevant whether admissible in a court of law or not.
  - d. The hearing may be recorded and evidence may, at the direction of the Adjudicating Steward or such other person conducting the hearing, be committed to writing.
  - e. If a Defendant admits the Offence, the Adjudicating Steward or such other person conducting the hearing shall find the Offence proved.

### 93. APPEALS

93.1 No appeal shall lie against:

- a. Any decision declared to be final in these Rules;
- b. Any decision to file or not to file or withdraw a charge;
- c. Any decision made by the Adjudicating Steward during the currency of a Meeting that a Greyhound should or should not be Disqualified or placed after another Greyhound on account of something which happened during the running of a Race and any findings relating thereto;
- d. Any decision made by the Adjudicating Steward to which clause 21 of the Third Schedule to the Act applies;
- e. Any decision of the Adjudicating Steward, Racecourse Inspector, Stewards or Committee of a Club where no Disqualification, Suspension is imposed or where any fine imposed is less than \$100.00, except with leave of the Board;
- f. Any decision of the Adjudicating Steward in respect of any matter in connection with the start or running of the Race over a wrong distance or a decision to declare a No Race including the decision whether to postpone or abandon the Race;
- g. Any decision of the Starter.

93.2 Subject to Rule 93.1 hereof:

- a. Where on the determination of a charge by the Adjudicating Steward, the Adjudicating Steward in the decision:
  - i. Find, or do not find an Offence proved;
  - ii. Make an order or decline to make an order;
  - iii. Impose any Penalty or decline to impose any Penalty;

the Steward laying the charge or the defendant may appeal to the Appeals Tribunal against the decision, of the Adjudicating Steward.

- b. the appeal may be against the findings of the Adjudicating Steward, and/or the Penalty and/or the order or any and in the case of an order for the payment of costs, the appeal may be against the order or the amount of the costs ordered to be paid, or both;
- c. no appeal against a finding shall be lodged until the Adjudicating Steward's decision in respect of Penalty has been given;
- d. any party to any decision given, not being a decision of the Adjudicating Steward, who is aggrieved by such decision given under these Rules, may appeal therefrom to the Appeals Tribunal;
- e. no appeal shall be lodged by the Steward laying the charge or Racecourse Inspector unless the consent of the Chief Executive or in his/her absence his/her nominee has first been obtained.

#### **94. TIME FOR FILING OF APPEAL**

- 94.1 Any Person who wishes to appeal against a decision of the Adjudicating Steward in respect of any matter which arose on the day of a Race (whether or not it was finally concluded on that day) must, not later than 4.00 pm on the third working day after and exclusive of the date on which the decision of the Adjudicating Steward was given, file with the Association a notice of appeal and a filing fee of \$250.00. The notice and the filing fee must both reach the Association by that time.
- 94.2 Any Person wishing to appeal against any other decision in respect of which an appeal may be brought under these Rules must, by 4.00 pm on the fourteenth day after and exclusive of the day on which the decision was given, file with the Association a notice of appeal and a filing fee of \$250.00. The notice and the filing fee must both reach the Association by that time.
- 94.3 Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of Rules 94.1 or 94.2 hereof, where a decision is given by an Adjudicating Steward and the reasons for that decision are reserved, the time for filing an appeal shall run from the day on which the reasons for the decision are given.
- 94.4 Where the appellant is a Steward or a Racecourse Inspector no filing fee shall be required to be paid.
- 94.5 The notice of appeal shall be signed by the appellant or his/her authorised agent and shall set out in full the grounds of the appeal and no ground not so set out shall be argued at the hearing of the appeal except by special leave of the Appeals Tribunal granted on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit.
- 94.6 Where an appeal is to be heard expeditiously any time limits, conditions or requirements in these Rules relating to appeals, may be waived, abridged or amended by order of the Appeals Tribunal or its Chairman.

#### **95. TRANSMISSION OF NOTICE OF APPEAL TO A STEWARD**

- 95.1 Where an appeal is against a decision of the Adjudicating Steward the Association shall as soon as possible send a copy of the notice of appeal to every respondent,

the Adjudicating Steward and any other person to whom the Board directs a copy to be sent.

**95.2** The Adjudicating Steward shall send to the Association:

- a. a copy of the charge;
- b. a transcribed record of the hearing;
- c. any tapes on which the hearing was recorded;
- d. any articles, documents, films or other items which were produced at the hearing;
- e. a copy or transcript of the decision;
- f. any other documents, exhibits or items relating to the hearing in his/her or its custody.

**95.3** Where the appeal is against a decision other than a decision of the Adjudicating Steward then the following provisions shall apply:

- a. the Association shall send a copy of the Notice of Appeal to the person or body Nominated as the respondent and to the person or bodies whose decision is the subject of appeal if that person or body is not the respondent and to any other person to whom the Chairman of the Appeals Tribunal directs a copy to be sent;
- b. the person or body whose decision is the subject of appeal shall as soon as possible after receiving a copy of the Notice of Appeal, send to the Association:
  - i. a copy of any application, documents, submissions, statements, reports, evidence, articles or other items lodged with him/her or it relating to the matter in respect of which the decision appealed from was given;
  - ii. any exhibits in the custody of him/her or it;
  - iii. a copy or transcript of the decision appealed from.
- c. the person who or body which made the decision appealed from shall, if the Appeals Tribunal so directs and may if he/she or it so decides, lodge with the Association a report setting out any considerations to which he/she or it had regard in making the decision, which are not set out in the decision, and any other matters relevant to the decision or the general administration of the Rules to which he/she or it considers the attention of the Appeals Tribunal ought to be drawn. Where any such report is so lodged the Appeals Tribunal may direct that a further report be lodged by the person or body. A copy of every report which is lodged shall be supplied forthwith by the Appeals Tribunal to every party to the appeal and any such party shall be entitled to be heard and to tender evidence on any matter referred to in the report.

**96. SETTING DOWN APPEAL FOR HEARING**

**96.1** As soon as possible after the Association has received the documents referred to in Rules 95.1, 95.2 or 95.3 hereof it shall consult with the Chairman of the Appeals Tribunal concerning a date and place for the hearing of the appeal.

- 96.2 The Association shall thereafter notify the parties to the appeal, and any other person who or body which was sent by him/her a copy of the notice of appeal, of the date, time and place appointed for the hearing.
- 96.3 The Association shall also give notice of the date, time and place fixed for the hearing of the appeal to such other bodies and/or persons as the Chairman of the Appeals Tribunal directs.
- 96.4 Any Person who has an interest in the subject matter of the appeal, has not been Nominated as a respondent thereto and considers that it or he/she ought to have been so Nominated or to have been present at the proceeding in respect of which the decision appealed against was made may, before the date on which the appeal is to be heard, apply to the Chairman of the Appeals Tribunal, through the Registrar thereof, for permission to be present at the hearing of the appeal and/or to be heard thereat and, if such application is granted by the Chairman, shall be entitled to be present and/or to be heard to the extent permitted by the Chairman. The decision of the Chairman in respect of any such application is declared to be final and subject to no appeal under these Rules.
- 96.5 Every Person whose application is granted by the Chairman pursuant to 96.4 of this Rule shall be notified by the Association of the date, time and place appointed for the hearing.

## 97. PROCEDURE ON APPEAL

- 97.1 A body known as the Appeals Tribunal will be appointed by the Board from time to time and as required.
- 97.2 The Appeals Tribunal may conduct the hearing of the appeal in such a manner as it thinks fit and may adjourn the hearing of the appeal from time to time on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit.
- 97.3 The appellant may elect not to appear at the hearing but instead may make written submissions to the Appeals Tribunal. An appellant who makes this election acknowledges and accepts the limitations and effect this approach will have on his/her case.
- 97.4 All appeals shall, except when and to the extent that the Appeals Tribunal otherwise directs, be by way of rehearing based on the evidence adduced at the hearing conducted by the persons or body whose decision is appealed against.
- 97.5 The Appeals Tribunal shall have the same jurisdiction and authority as the Adjudicating Steward or other persons or body appealed from, including powers as to amendment, and shall have power to receive such further evidence, if any, as it thinks fit. Except by special leave of the Appeals Tribunal no appellant shall argue or be permitted to argue any ground of appeal not set out in the notice of appeal.
- 97.6 If the appellant fails to appear at the time fixed for hearing of the appeal the Appeals Tribunal may dismiss the appeal or proceed with the hearing or adjourn it to such time and place and on such conditions (if any) as it thinks fit.
- 97.7 At the hearing of the appeal each party and any other person or body permitted by the Chairman of the Appeals Tribunal to be heard at the hearing shall be entitled to have legal representation by counsel or a lay advocate approved by the Board.
- 97.8 An appellant may withdraw his/her appeal by giving written notice to the Association of his/her abandonment or orally to the Appeals Tribunal on the day of hearing.

- 97.9 Upon receiving notice that an appellant wishes to abandon his/her or its appeal the Association shall invite the respondent and any other person or body who has been granted permission to be heard at the hearing of the appeal to forward to him/her written submissions concerning the costs and expenses incurred by that party in connection with the appeal.
- 97.10 At the time of that invitation the Chairman of the Appeals Tribunal shall fix a time by which any such submissions shall be received by him/her and by the appellant.
- 97.11 A copy of any such submissions shall be forwarded to the appellant by the person or body making them.
- 97.12 An appellant who or which receives a copy of any submissions relating to the costs and expenses connected with his/her or its appeal may, within such time as is fixed by the Chairman of the Appeals Tribunal, make a written reply to any such submissions.
- 97.13 When all submissions intended to be made and any reply by the appellant have been received, or in the absence of any reply the time fixed for the reply has passed, the Appeals Tribunal shall then decide:
- a. whether the appellant shall be granted leave to withdraw his/her appeal; and
  - b. if so what costs and expenses should be paid by the appellant in connection with the appeal and to whom;

and may make orders accordingly. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing provisions of this sub-rule orders may be made for the payment of all or part of the costs and expenses of any party to the appeal, any other body or person granted permission to be heard at the hearing by direction of the Chairman of the Appeals Tribunal, the Association and/or any employee or officer thereof, the Adjudicating Steward and the Appeals Tribunal and the members thereof.

- 97.14 Any amount ordered by the Appeals Tribunal to be paid in respect of the costs and expenses in connection with an appeal which is abandoned shall, if unpaid within 14 days after and exclusive of the date on which that amount was ordered to be paid, be deemed to be arrears and may be placed on the Defaulter's List by the Board.

## 98. POWERS OF APPEALS TRIBUNAL ON APPEAL

- 98.1 In its decision the Appeals Tribunal may:
- a. uphold the decision appealed from and dismiss the appeal;
  - b. set aside the decision appealed from;
  - c. amend the decision appealed from (within the limits imposed by these Rules) and, if it thinks fit, quash any Penalty imposed and either impose any Penalty (whether more or less severe) which the Tribunal, body or person whose decision is appealed against could have imposed or deal with the appellant in any other way in which the Tribunal, body or person whose decision is appealed from could have dealt with the appellant on the decision as so amended.
- 98.2 In the case of an appeal against Penalty, the Appeals Tribunal may:

- a. confirm the Penalty and dismiss the appeal; or
  - b. if the Penalty (either in whole or in part) is one which the Tribunal imposing it had no jurisdiction to impose, or is one which is manifestly excessive or inadequate or inappropriate, either:
    - i. quash the Penalty and impose such other Penalty permitted by these Rules (whether more or less severe) in substitution therefore as the Appeals Tribunal thinks ought to have been imposed or deal with the appellant in any other way that the Adjudicating Steward could have dealt with him/her on finding the charge proved; or
    - ii. quash any invalid part of the Penalty that is severable from the residue; or
    - iii. vary, within the limits permitted in the Rules, the Penalty or any part of it or any condition imposed in it.
  - c. in any case of an appeal against the amount of any sum ordered to be paid, the Appeals Tribunal may confirm the amount or increase or reduce it within the limits imposed by these Rules;
  - d. exercise any power that the Adjudicating Steward whose decision is appealed (if any) against might have exercised;
  - e. where no Penalty was imposed, impose such Penalty as is permitted by these Rules;
  - f. refer any matter back to the Adjudicating Steward for further hearing or consideration or for re-hearing.
- 98.3 The Appeals Tribunal may order that all or any of the costs and expenses of any party to the appeal, any other person granted permission to be heard at the hearing by direction of the Chairman of the Appeals Tribunal, the Association and/or any employee or Officer thereof, and the Appeals Tribunal be paid by such person or body as it thinks fit. Such amount if unpaid shall be deemed arrears and may be placed on the Defaulter's List by the Board.
- 98.4 The Appeals Tribunal may, if it thinks fit, reserve its decision and in that case may give it at any adjourned or subsequent sitting of the Appeals Tribunal or may draw up its decision in writing, have it signed by the Chairman and send it to the Association.
- 98.5 Every decision of the Appeals Tribunal (whether reserved or not) shall be committed to writing, signed by the Chairman and sent to the Association.
- 98.6 On receipt of the written decision of the Appeals Tribunal the Association shall forthwith give notice thereof to the parties to the appeal, any other body or person whom the Chairman of the Appeals Tribunal had directed was to be given notice of the hearing of the appeal, any other person or body whom the Chairman had directed was permitted to be heard at the hearing of the appeal, and the Adjudicating Steward.
- 98.7 Every decision of an Appeals Tribunal shall be notified in the official Greyhound publication.
- 98.8 If any decision of a Adjudicating Steward is held by an Appeals Tribunal to be invalid or void on the ground that the Adjudicating Steward ought not to have sat as a member thereof in the determination of a matter in which he/she was in some manner interested the Appeals Tribunal shall also decide whether the matter in question shall

be heard and determined by a newly appointed Adjudicating Steward who shall sit in the place of the person who ought not to have sat.

- 98.9** Every party to an appeal shall be entitled to be present at the hearing of the appeal unless he/she so unreasonably interrupts the hearing as to render its continuance in his/her presence impractical or absents himself without leave of the Appeals Tribunal in which case the hearing may continue in his/her absence.
- 98.10** The Appeals Tribunal may permit any party to the appeal to be out of the hearing during the whole or any part of the hearing on such terms as it thinks fit.
- 98.11** Subject to the provisions of these Rules the Appeals Tribunal may regulate its own procedure as it thinks fit.
- 98.12** Where a decision imposing a term of Disqualification or Suspension is stayed pending determination of an appeal and that appeal is subsequently dismissed or with leave of the Appeals Tribunal is abandoned then, in exercising its powers under Rule 98, the Appeals Tribunal shall impose a term of Disqualification or Suspension commensurate with that originally imposed or so much of it as has not been served.
- 98.13** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Rules express or implied, but subject to 98.14 of this rule, any Person who has been Disqualified for at least 12 months, or who owns a Greyhound which has been Disqualified other than for a Race, may apply in writing to the Appeals Tribunal for a cancellation of the remainder of the Disqualification.
- 98.14** Notwithstanding the provisions of 98.13 of this Rule no person Disqualified for life shall make any such application until the expiration of 5 years from the date of the imposition of the Disqualification.
- 98.15** No Person Disqualified for a term shorter than life shall make an application under 98.13 of this Rule until the expiration of 12 months from the date of the imposition of this Disqualification.
- 98.16** An application by the Owner of a Greyhound Disqualified other than for a Race may be made at any time after the expiration of 3 months from the date of the imposition of the Disqualification of the Greyhound.
- 98.17** If an application made pursuant to 98.13 of this Rule is dismissed the applicant may not make any further application until at least 12 months have elapsed since the date on which the first-mentioned application was dismissed.
- 98.18** The Appeals Tribunal or its Chairman may direct that any application under 98.13 of this Rule should be served on such body or Person as it or he/she shall specify and every such body or Person on which a copy of the application is served shall be entitled to appear and be heard on the hearing of the application.
- 98.19** The Appeals Tribunal may order that all or any of the costs and expenses of any party to an application under 98.13 of this Rule, any Person or body on whom the application was directed by the Appeals Tribunal or its Chairman to be served, the Association or any Official or employee thereof, the Adjudicating Steward and the Appeals Tribunal be paid by the applicant and may fix an amount by way of such costs and expenses. Such amount if unpaid shall be deemed arrears and may be placed on the Defaulter's List by the Board.
- 98.20** No charge, penalty, decision, order, document, process or proceeding shall be quashed, set aside or held invalid by an Appeals Tribunal by reason only of any

defect, irregularity, omission or want of form unless the Appeals Tribunal is satisfied that there has been a miscarriage of justice.

- 98.21 The decision of the Appeals Tribunal shall be final, shall bind all bodies and Persons and shall not be subject to any appeal under these Rules.
- 98.22 The Appeals Tribunal may order on determination that any fee paid on the filing of an appeal be refunded or returned to the appellant. Where the Appeals Tribunal refuses or fails to make such order the filing fee lodged shall forfeit to Association.
- 98.23 The Appeals Tribunal, of its own motion or on the application of any party to any proceedings before it, shall have the power to require (by way of summons signed by the Chairman or another member of the Appeals Tribunal) any person to appear before it, to answer any question put to that person and to produce to it any papers, documents, records or things referred to in such summons.
- 98.24 Every person who after being summoned to attend to give evidence before an Appeals Tribunal or to produce to the Appeals Tribunal any papers, documents, records or things:
- a. shall attend in accordance with the summons; and
  - b. shall not refuse to be sworn or to give evidence or refuse to answer any questions that the person is lawfully required by the Appeals Tribunal or any member of it to answer concerning the proceeding; or
  - c. shall produce any such paper, document, record or thing.

## 99. **BETTING EXCHANGES**

- 99.1 No Licensed Person shall place or have placed on his/her behalf a transaction with a betting exchange on any Greyhound race run in Australia or New Zealand.
- 99.2 No person present on the grounds of a Racecourse at a time when it is lawful for betting to take place at the Racecourse shall:
- a. Access any web site maintained by or on behalf of any betting exchange;
  - b. Access any web site displaying transactions or offer of bets relating to any betting exchange operations;
  - c. Use any device to display transactions or offer of bets relating to any betting exchange operations;
  - d. Otherwise contact, communicate or conduct transactions with any betting exchange.
- 99.3 Rule 99.2 shall not in any way limit the Stewards in the exercise of their powers under these Rules. A person shall not offer to or accept bets or facilitate the making of bets, or assist in the exchange of bets in relation to Greyhound Race where the form of betting would allow a person who was not a Licensed or Registered bookmaker to wager with another person who was not a Licensed or Registered bookmaker in relation to the outcome of a Greyhound Race.

## **100. REGISTRATION OF PERSONS**

### **100.1** Every –

- a.** Owner, Owner/Trainer, Trainer or Handler of a Greyhound to be used for Racing; and
- b.** Stud Master, or Litter Master of a Greyhound to be used for breeding pursuant to these Rules; and
- c.** Owner or Operator of a rearing and/or schooling establishment for Greyhounds

shall apply to the Association to be Registered.

### **100.2** Every application for Registration pursuant to Rule 100.1 shall be in the prescribed form and shall be accompanied by:

- a.** Prescribed fee; and
- b.** Evidence of good character and relevant experience as the Board may require.

### **100.3** The Board shall consider all such applications and may request additional information if required.

### **100.4** If the Board consents to the application it shall issue a licence to the applicant which shall be evidence of registration.

## **101. REGISTERS TO BE KEPT**

The Association shall keep separate registers of Owners, Owner/Trainers, Trainers, Handlers, Stud Masters, Litter Masters and owners and operators of rearing and/or schooling establishments and Greyhounds.

## **102. FEES PAYABLE**

Only one set of persons registration fees shall be payable by a Registered Owner, Owner/Trainer, Trainer, Stud Master, kennel proprietor or Litter Master engaged in both Greyhound racing and Greyhound breeding.

## **103. TERM OF REGISTRATION**

Unless sooner cancelled by the Association or an Approved Registration Authority, the Registration of an Owner, Owner/Trainer, Trainer, Handler, or such other person required to be licensed under these Rules, shall remain in force for such a period as the Board shall from time to time determine.

## **104. UNREGISTERED PERSON NOT TO NOMINATE**

No person shall enter, Nominate or permit to be entered or Nominated, a Greyhound in any Race or Trials conducted by a Club unless he/she is Registered by the Association or an Approved Registration Authority.

**105. PERSON TO PRODUCE GREYHOUND REGISTRATION LICENCE**

Every Licensed Person shall produce his/her Certificate of Registration when demanded at any time by an Official or Steward or Racecourse Inspectors where he/she may be operating.

**106. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION**

An application for renewal of all such Registrations shall be lodged with the Association on the prescribed form one month before the date of expiry of such Registration. Should an application of renewal of such Registration be not made at the requisite time, the Board may grant such re-Registration on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit.

**107. POWER TO REFUSE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS**

Without limitation of its powers the Board may refuse to Register or renew the registration of any person as Owner, Owner/Trainer, Trainer or Handler, if it thinks such refusal is in the interests of Greyhound racing; however, any applicant refused such Registration shall be permitted the right of a hearing.

**108. POWER TO REVOKE**

Notwithstanding anything herein before mentioned the Board may at any time refuse, revoke, vary or suspend any Licence or Registration granted by it.

**109. TO PROVIDE ACCOMMODATION**

A Licensed Person shall provide proper care and accommodation for the Greyhounds under his/her control and such accommodation shall be subject to the approval of the Association and be open to inspection by Officials or Stewards or Racecourse Inspectors at any time.

**110. DUTIES OF PERSONS KEEPING GREYHOUNDS**

**110.1** A Licensed Person must ensure that Greyhounds, which are in the Licensed Person's care or custody, are provided with:

- a. proper and sufficient food, drink and protective apparel/clothing; and
- b. proper exercise; and
- c. properly constructed kennels which are adequate in size and which are kept in a clean and sanitary condition; and
- d. veterinary attention when necessary.

**110.2** A Licensed Person must exercise such reasonable care and supervision as may be necessary to prevent Greyhounds under the Licensed Person's care or custody from being subjected to unnecessary pain or suffering.

**110.3** A Licensed Person must ensure that any Greyhound under the Licensed Person's care or custody does not stray onto any private property without the permission of the Owner or occupier of that property, or stray onto any public place.

- 110.4 Greyhounds in public places to be muzzled and controlled.
- 110.5 A Licensed Person must not permit a Greyhound, which is under the person's care or custody to be in or on a public place unless that Greyhound:
- a. has a securely fixed muzzle on its mouth in such a manner as will prevent it biting a person or animal; and
  - b. is under the effective control of some competent person by means of a leash of leather, or other durable material, which is securely fastened to the collar worn by that Greyhound.

## 111. TRAINERS

- 111.1 At least 48 hours prior to Nomination of a Greyhound for a Race or Qualifying Trial every Trainer who has taken over or commenced the training of such Greyhound shall notify the Association. Notwithstanding the provisions of this clause the provisions of Rule 111.2 shall apply to any change of Trainer between the time of Nomination for and the start of any Race. Such notification shall advise the following information:
- a. Greyhounds name;
  - b. Owner's names;
  - c. Trainer's name.
- 111.2 Any change of Trainer of a Greyhound between the time of its being Nominated for and the start of any Race shall forthwith be notified to the Association. Provided that where any such change takes place during the currency of any Meeting, or within the period of 24 hours immediately preceding the commencement of such Meeting, such notice must be given to a Steward for transmission to the Association and where so given shall operate as notice to the Association.
- 111.3 Any Greyhound domiciled in kennels other than those of its Registered Owner/Trainer and or Registered Trainer in excess of 14 days shall not be entitled to compete or participate in any Race, Qualifying or Satisfactory Trial conducted by a Club, unless permission is first obtained from the Association.
- 111.4 Any Person being the holder of a Trainers licence (public or otherwise) issued by an Approved Registration Authority shall, upon establishing to the satisfaction of the Association that he/she is the holder of such licence and that the licence is current and valid, be entitled to train a Greyhound in New Zealand for a period not exceeding three (3) months, thereafter such person must register as a Trainer with the Association.
- 111.5 The Trainer of a Greyhound is at all times responsible for the welfare and proper care of a Greyhound. This responsibility can not be delegated to any other person at any time.
- 111.6 The Trainer of a Greyhound shall be responsible for, and shall make provision for, the proper care and handling of each Greyhound from the time the Greyhound arrives at a Racecourse for a Race, Trials or other Race until the time the Greyhound leaves the Racecourse.

## 112. HANDLERS

112.1 Unless prior written approval has been obtained from the Stewards, no person shall be Registered as a Handler by the Association until they have obtained the following age:

- a. catching area - aged 14 and over;
- b. to lead and box - aged 16 and over.

112.2 Prior to the granting of a Handler's licence by the Association, all applicants are required to be interviewed and to demonstrate that they can handle a Greyhound and understand the basic legal requirements under the Rules.

112.3 Between kennelling at the Track and completion of all the post Race activities, a Handler shall be in physical control of no more than one (1) Greyhound at any one time.

112.4 Handlers must comply with such other directions as the Board or Stewards may issue from time to time concerning the handling of Greyhounds at tracks.

112.5 For the avoidance of doubt, in Rule 112.3:

- a. a person shall be considered to be in "physical control" of a Greyhound where that person is controlling or supervising that Greyhound during pre-Race preparations, Races and post-Race activities; and
- b. a Greyhound which is kennelled does not require a person to be in "physical control" of it.

## 113. REGISTRATION OF APPROVED COMPANIES

113.1 Every company which wishes to own a Greyhound is required to be registered under these Rules and shall apply to the Board for Registration as an Approved Company by lodging with the Association a written application in the prescribed form signed by the directors of the company and accompanied by:

- a. The proposed name of the company;
- b. Full names and addresses and occupations of all shareholders and directors of the company;
- c. The appointment of one member of the company to act as its manager;
- d. The appointment of one other member of the company to act as its assistant manager;
- e. The address for service of the company;
- f. The prescribed fee;
- g. The constitution of the company.

113.2 The Company Manager shall be deemed to be authorised to act for and to represent the Approved Company and to be responsible for the observation of these Rules.

- 113.3 The Company Manager shall have the sole power of Nomination or entry or withdrawal of a Greyhound from a Race and the receipt by the Company Manager of any Prize Money or trophy shall be deemed to be receipt of same by the Approved Company.
- 113.4 The Association may refuse to accept any application for Registration of a company or may impose such terms and conditions as it deems fit.
- 113.5 No director or shareholder of an Approved Company shall be Disqualified under these Rules.
- 113.6 A Greyhound may only be owned by an Approved Company if the Approved Company is the sole Owner of the Greyhound.

#### 114. SYNDICATES

- 114.1 A greyhound may be registered in the name of a Syndicate.
- 114.2 For the purpose of these Rules, any combination of three or more persons may form a Syndicate and any combination of more than three persons shall be deemed to be a member of a Syndicate under these Rules provided that no person who is disqualified under these Rules shall be a member of a Syndicate.
- 114.3 No Greyhound shall be registered in the name of a Syndicate and no lease of a Greyhound to a Syndicate shall be effective unless the Board has approved and registered the Syndicate.
- 114.4 A Syndicate may own or lease more than one Greyhound, but shall not own or lease any Greyhound in association or combination with any other individual, Partnership or Syndicate.
- 114.5 An application to register a Syndicate and its manager shall be effected by lodging a written application with the Association, on the prescribed form, signed by the members and containing the following information:
- a. The proposed name of the Syndicate;
  - b. The full names, addresses, dates of birth and occupations of each member of the Syndicate;
  - c. The number of shares held by every member of the Syndicate and the total number of shares held by the members;
  - d. The name of the person appointed by the Syndicate to act as Syndicate Manager;
  - e. The appointment of one member of the Syndicate to act as Assistant Manager;
  - f. The address for service of the Syndicate; and
  - g. A declaration by every member of the Syndicate that he or she is not Disqualified under these Rules.
- 114.6 An application to register a Syndicate shall also be accompanied by:

- a. A completed Syndicate Agreement setting out the rights and obligations of the members of the Syndicate and which must make provision for the appointment and removal of the Syndicate Manager and for dispute resolution; and
  - b. The prescribed fee.
- 114.7 The Board may refuse to accept any application to register a Syndicate for any reason which it, in its sole discretion, considers sufficient, or it may grant registration on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit. The Board's decision to refuse to register a Syndicate shall be final and not subject to appeal.
- 114.8 No Syndicate name shall be registered or continue to be registered, where any member of the Syndicate is a company or other corporate entity except in the case of:
  - a. A company or other corporate entity acting as the executor or administrator of a deceased member or as the statutory committee or manager of a member; and
  - b. An Approved Company under these Rules.
- 114.9 No Syndicate name shall be registered, or used, which has not been approved by the Board.
- 114.10 Notwithstanding anything contained in these Rules, the Board may, at any time and without assigning any reason:
  - a. Cancel a Syndicate's registration; or
  - b. Re-instate a Syndicate's registration (on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit).
- 114.11 The Board shall have complete discretion whether or not to approve the appointment of a Syndicate Manager. The Board may at any time, and without assigning any reason, withdraw its approval of a Syndicate Manager.
- 114.12 The Syndicate Manager shall be deemed to be authorised to act on behalf of the Syndicate and shall be responsible for the Syndicate's observance of these Rules.
- 114.13 The Syndicate Manager shall at all times be a full member of the Syndicate unless the Board approves otherwise.
- 114.14 The Syndicate Manager shall have the sole power of Nomination, entry or withdrawal of the Greyhound and the receipt by the Syndicate Manager of any prize money or trophy shall be deemed to be receipt of the same by the Syndicate.
- 114.15 In addition to Rule 114.12, the Syndicate Manager shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that the Syndicate:
  - a. Meets any debts incurred in connection with the racing of Greyhounds;
  - b. Complies with any conditions imposed by the Board at the time of it granting registration; and
  - c. Carries out every obligation imposed upon Owners by these Rules.

- 114.16** Any notice to be given or communication to be made to any Syndicate by the Association shall be deemed to have been duly given or made if given orally to the Syndicate Manager or given in writing and left at or sent by pre-paid post to the registered address of the Syndicate.
- 114.17** Every change in the membership of a Syndicate (including death of a member) shall be notified to the Association within 14 days of the change by the Syndicate Manager completing and lodging the prescribed form with the Association together with the prescribed fee. Any change in Syndicate Manager shall be notified within 14 days of the change by the new Syndicate Manager completing and lodging the prescribed form with the Association together with the prescribed fee.
- 114.18** Every new member of a Syndicate shall sign a declaration to the effect referred to in Rule 114.5 g. above.
- 114.19** Any member of a Syndicate may at any time apply to the Board, in writing, to withdraw the registration of the Syndicate or its Syndicate Manager and the Board may, if it considers it reasonable and proper to do so, cancel the Syndicate's registration or withdraw the Syndicate Manager. The Board may impose any conditions it thinks fit prior to withdrawing the registration of a Syndicate, or withdrawing the Syndicate Manager.
- 114.20** In the event of the termination of a Syndicate, the Syndicate shall give written notice to the Association of the termination.
- 114.21** The Board shall not have any responsibility for the due observance of these Rules by the persons involved in a Syndicate. Notwithstanding Rule 114.12, any person who contravenes any of the provisions of these Rules relating to Syndicates, or fails to comply with these Rules, commits a breach of these Rules. In the event of any breach of these Rules by any member of a Syndicate, a Greyhound owned by that Syndicate may be disqualified during the continuance of that breach and for any further period that the Board or the Stewards think fit.
- 114.22** No Greyhound owned or leased by a Syndicate shall be entered or started in any race while any of the members of the Syndicate are disqualified.
- 114.23** The Syndicate Manager shall notify the Board in writing, if any member is Disqualified and, upon such notification, that member shall be excluded as a member of the Syndicate.

## **115. REGISTRATION OF PARTNERSHIPS**

- 115.1** A Greyhound may be owned by an individual or two or more individuals.
- 115.2** If two or more individuals own a Greyhound they shall register as a Partnership.
- 115.3** A Partnership may own or lease more than one Greyhound, but shall not own or lease any Greyhound in association or combination with any other individual or Partnership.
- 115.4** The members of a Partnership shall apply to register the Partnership by lodging with the Association a written application on the prescribed form signed personally by each proposed member of the intended Partnership and accompanied by:
- a.** The proposed name of the Partnership;

- b. The full names and addresses and occupations of all members of the Partnership;
  - c. The appointment of one member of the Partnership to act as its manager;
  - d. The appointment of one other member of the Partnership to act as its assistant manager;
  - e. The address for service of the Partnership;
  - f. A character reference for the Partnership Manager from a person not being a member of the proposed Partnership;
  - g. The prescribed fee.
- 115.5** The Partnership Manager shall be deemed to be authorised to act for and represent the Partnership and to be responsible for the observance of these Rules.
- 115.6** The Partnership Manager shall have the sole power of Nomination of entry or withdrawal of the Greyhound and the receipt by whom of any Prize Money or trophy shall be deemed to be receipt by the Partnership.
- 115.7** The Association may refuse to accept any application for Registration of a Partnership or may impose such terms and conditions as it deems fit.
- 115.8** If a member of a Partnership has been Disqualified the Partnership Manager must notify the Association in writing and upon such notification, such member shall no longer be a member of the Partnership.
- 115.9** No Partnership shall be Registered or continue to be Registered where any member is a company or other corporate entity, except in the case of a company or other corporate entity acting as the executor or administrator of a deceased member as the statutory committee or manager of the member.
- 115.10** Any member of a Partnership may at any time make application in writing to the Association to cancel his/her Registration and if the Association is satisfied that in all respects it is reasonable and proper to cancel such Registration the Association may cancel such Registration.
- 115.11** Notwithstanding anything in these Rules contained, the Board may, at any time and without assigning any reason, cancel the Registration of any Partnership.
- 115.12** Any notice to be given or communication to be made to any Partnership by the Association shall be deemed to have been duly given or made if given orally to the Partnership Manager or if given in writing and left at or sent by pre-paid post to the address for service of the Partnership.
- 115.13** In the event of the termination of a Partnership by its members, notice shall be given in writing to the Association signed by all members.
- 115.14** Every change in the membership of a Partnership (including death of a member) and every change in its Partnership Manager or its address for service shall be notified in writing to the Association within seven days of the change.
- 115.15** The Association shall not have any responsibility for the due observance by the persons concerned by the constitution or rules of any Partnership.

**115.16** In the event of any alleged breach of agreement or dispute arising from alleged non observance of the rules of a Partnership Registered with the Association, the complainant must report such alleged breach or dispute to the Chief Executive of the Association in writing.

## **116. DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

**116.1** The Association may, in its absolute discretion at the request of every member of the Partnership wherein an alleged breach of agreement or dispute occurs, appoint a single arbitrator acceptable to each of the parties and in such cases the decision given shall be final and abiding. The arbitration hearing fee of thirty dollars (\$30) plus standard travelling allowance for the arbitrator shall be met equally by each member of the group involved.

## **117. DISPUTES**

**117.1** Should it be brought to the notice of the Board that a dispute exists between the members of a Partnership, partners, or Trainer and Owners regarding any Greyhound, it may in its sole discretion and without disclosing any reason for its decision declare that such Greyhound or Greyhounds shall not start in any Race until such dispute has been resolved and all parties to the dispute have informed the Board accordingly. The Association shall not be liable for any loss which may arise from such decision.

**117.2** Should at any time it be brought to the notice of the Board of any defect existing in the Registration or ancillary documentation of any Greyhound it may direct that such Greyhound shall not be permitted to start in any Race until such defect is rectified to the satisfaction of the Board, or if during a Meeting to the satisfaction of the Steward in Charge of a Meeting.

## **118. DISQUALIFIED PERSON TO DELIVER**

Any Person Disqualified or Warned Off by the Board or by a Club shall forthwith deliver to the Board, all licences held by him/her including Certificates of Registration of any Greyhounds Registered by him/her and for the purpose of calculating the expiry date of such Disqualification or Warning Off, the Disqualification or Warning Off shall be deemed to commence on the date of the delivery of such certificates and licences.

## **119. ASSOCIATION NOT LIABLE**

The Association shall not be liable to any Person for loss howsoever arising as a result of an error or inaccuracy in effecting any Registration or amendment to an existing Registration except to the extent that such loss arises from the wilful default or wilful neglect of the Association.

## **120. NAME TO BE REGISTERED**

No Greyhound shall be Nominated for any Race or Qualifying Trial unless Registered.

**121. MARKINGS TO BE CERTIFIED**

A marking Official must endorse all applications for the name of a Greyhound as being correct in markings.

**122. VACCINATION CERTIFICATES**

Vaccination Certificates as specified from time to time by the Association, must be supplied at the time of application for name Registration.

**123. APPLICATION TO BE ENDORSED**

No application for Registration shall be approved unless signed by the marking Official.

**124. TO BE REGISTERED IN COUNTRY/STATE WHERE BORN**

**124.1** All Greyhounds must Register in the country or state in which they were whelped. No Greyhound shall be Registered in the name of a person under 18 years of age.

**124.2** Application for the Registration of the name of a Greyhound whelped in Australia shall be lodged with the secretary of the Greyhound registering authority of the state where such Greyhound was whelped and litter Registered.

**124.3** Where the Greyhound was whelped in a litter registered in New Zealand the application should be made to the Chief Executive of the Association on the prescribed form and shall be accompanied by the appropriate fee.

**124.4** Where a Greyhound bred in New Zealand is residing in another state and application to Register a name is forwarded to the Association, such application must be accompanied by a copy of markings certified by an approved identification officer of the state of residence of the Greyhound.

**124.5** The applicant shall state in his/her application the names he/she desires in order of preference. Should the names selected not be available, the Association and the Australian and New Zealand Greyhound Association, acting in concert, reserve the right to allot a name for the Greyhound being named and such name once allotted, shall stand, except where provided for in Rule 125.

**125. CONDITIONS OF NAME BEING GRANTED**

**125.1** When application is made to name a Greyhound full regard shall be paid to the criteria contained in the following:

- a. The name has not been previously granted in the past 14 years;
- b. The name is not religious or political;
- c. The name is not obscene or vulgar even couched in a foreign language;
- d. The name is not similar phonetically to one already granted;
- e. The name has not more than 14 letters;
- f. The name does not indicate the opposite sex to the Greyhound being named;
- g. The name is of not more than three words;
- h. The name is not difficult in pronunciation;
- i. The name is not that of a prominent person (unless written approval is given by the person concerned);
- j. The name does not include initials;

- k. The name is not a trade name (unless accompanied with evidence from the company approving the name);
- l. The name is not that of a prominent Race;
- m. The name does not contain the prefix "The";
- n. The name does not contain figures.

## **126. CHANGE OF NAME**

- 126.1 Application to change a Greyhound's name shall be made to the Chief Executive of the Association in writing and such application shall contain the reason for change of name.
- 126.2 The Association through Greyhounds Australasia may grant the change of name, but in all cases where the change is granted, the Certificate of Registration shall carry the previous name as well as the new name so long as, or so often as the Greyhound remains or becomes registered. The application shall be accompanied by the appropriate fee.
- 126.3 Changes of name will only be granted in exceptional circumstances.

## **127. IF REGISTERED IN ANOTHER COUNTRY**

- 127.1 Where a Greyhound has been duly Registered in another country not subject to a New Zealand reciprocal interstate or international Registration rights arrangement and New Zealand Registration is sought following importation, it shall be a condition of Registration that the Registration papers issued by the overseas country shall be yielded up to the Association to remain in its custody during such period as it is Registered in New Zealand.
- 127.2 Greyhounds which have not been named and Registered with an Approved Registration Authority shall not be recognised for breeding purposes in New Zealand. Greyhounds which have been previously Registered by a registration authority not approved by the Association, may be used for breeding purposes subject to the required transfer procedures and the Owners successful application for a New Zealand Certificate of Registration. The prescribed Registration fee shall apply in all cases.

## **128. EXPORT CERTIFICATES**

- 128.1 Any Person intending to export a Greyhound, being a Greyhound the subject of these Rules or to those of an Approved Registration Authority, from Australia or New Zealand to any other country (including Australia or New Zealand) must, prior to meeting the Quarantine and Inspection Service requirements of the relevant country, obtain a Greyhound Passport and certified pedigree issued by Greyhounds Australasia for each Greyhound to be exported.
- 128.2 Unless Greyhounds Australasia in special circumstances otherwise directs, a Greyhound Passport and certified pedigree may be issued subject to:
  - a. The intended export Greyhound having been named and being Registered by an Approved Registration Authority.
  - b. The transfer of ownership having been effected by the Approved Registration Authority from the Registered Owner to the intended importer or exporter.

- c. A certificate signed and lodged with Greyhounds Australasia by the previous Registered Owner and the importer and exporter confirming the purpose of export.
- d. Greyhounds Australasia being satisfied that the required application form has been completed in full and the relevant fee received.
- e. The export is in the best interests of the Australasian Greyhound industry.

**128.3** The relevant fee for each Greyhound Passport including certified pedigree shall be determined from time to time by Greyhounds Australasia, and:

- a. As from 1 July 2004 a prescribed Greyhound Passport fee will be payable;
- b. For the purposes of clarity, any naming or transfer of Ownership fee will remain separate and additional to the Greyhound Passport fee.

## **129. DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE**

Where a Certificate of Registration has been lost or destroyed the Chief Executive may issue a Certificate of Registration upon receipt of an application in the prescribed form from the Owner of Greyhound and payment of the appropriate fee. The application shall be accompanied by a Statutory Declaration on which is stated the circumstances surrounding the loss, misplacement or destruction of the Certificate of Registration and what efforts have been made, if any, to recover same.

## **130. PEDIGREES**

Any Person may, on application in writing to the Association, obtain a tabulated pedigree of any Greyhound which has been Registered in New Zealand and upon payment of the appropriate fee.

## **131. CERTIFICATE THE PROPERTY OF ASSOCIATION**

A Certificate of Registration is issued to enable identification of the Greyhound for breeding, racing and associated purposes and does not necessarily confer upon any person the legal title of Ownership to the Greyhound described therein. The Certificate of Registration remains the property of the Association and must be returned to the Association upon request.

## **132. NOTIFICATION OF DEATH**

**132.1** Within seven days of the death of any Greyhound the Trainer shall advise the Association and return the Certificate of Registration along with a Veterinarian's, or Authorised Person's , certificate detailing the cause of death.

**132.2** The Association, or appointed agent, shall have the right to order an autopsy, at the expense of the Owner, to confirm cause of death. Any person found in breach of this Rule or who knowingly participates in causing the unnatural death of any Greyhound, other than by accepted euthanasia by a Veterinarian, or other Authorised Person , is subject to a fine of up to \$10,000 and/or permanent Disqualification from involvement in any way in Greyhound Racing in New Zealand.

### **133. DEREGISTRATION OF GREYHOUND**

- 133.1 A racing Greyhound can be de-registered as a racing Greyhound at any time.
- 133.2 A de-registered Greyhound can be sold or gifted to another party provided that suitable care and welfare will be provided and that the full identity and contact details of new Owner are provided to the Association on the prescribed form with the necessary declaration completed. The Association requires all reasonable care to be taken by the Licensed Person in selling, gifting or placing the Greyhound.
- 133.3 The Association, or its Nominated agent, shall have the right at any time, to demand the Greyhound be presented for inspection to confirm its well-being.
- 133.4 Once de-registered a Greyhound cannot be re-registered as a racing Greyhound.

### **134. TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP**

- 134.1 Application to register the transfer of a Greyhound from one person/s to another/others must be made by completing an "Authority to Transfer."
- 134.2 There shall be provision for the Registration of transfer of an earbranded, but as yet unnamed, Greyhound.
- 134.3 The "Authority to Transfer" must be signed by the Owner and also the intending purchaser and the transfer and the Certificate of Registration and the appropriate fee must be forwarded to the Association office within 14 days from the date of sale as shown on the "Authority to Transfer."
- 134.4 It shall be the responsibility of the Owner/seller to ensure that the appropriate transfer fee as shown on the "Authority to Transfer" is paid to the Association and no transfer of Ownership will be registered by the Association until payment of the transfer fee is received.
- 134.5 No Greyhound will be able to be Nominated to Race or Race in the name of the new Owner until the "Authority to Transfer", the Certificate of Registration and appropriate fee has been received and processed by the Association.

### **135. LEASES - RACING AND BREEDING**

- 135.1 For racing purposes application to register a lease must be completed on a prescribed form.
- 135.2 The completed lease form and the appropriate fee must be forwarded to the Association office within seven days of taking possession of the Greyhound named in the lease agreement.
- 135.3 Only Registered Greyhounds will be subject to leasing.
- 135.4 It is the responsibility of the lessee to return the Certificate of Registration to the office of the Association within seven (7) days of either expiration, cancellation or curtailment of the lease or the date of return of the Greyhound to the lessor.
- 135.5 The lease shall run for as long as agreed by the two parties. If a period is not specified, the lease shall run for a period of twelve months only. A lease will commence from the date of signing.

- 135.6 Premature termination of the lease will only be possible with the agreement and written confirmation to the Association from both parties.
- 135.7 In the case of any breaches or disputes arising under such lease as registered with the Association, the Association shall not be considered responsible for the mediation of such a dispute.
- 135.8 Where the Owner of a Greyhound consents to another person using the Greyhound for breeding purposes, then a completed "Authority to Register" must be lodged with the Association.
- 135.9 Each party to a lease agreement must be a current Licensed Person, partnership or syndicate and must continue to be registered throughout the term of the lease.
- 135.10 The Owner of a Greyhound must be a Licensed Person at all times including at the commencement of, during, and after the term of the lease agreement. The Lessor's failure to be licensed at any time during the term of the lease or its cessation of the lease, will automatically result in Ownership of said Greyhound transferring into the name of the lessee.

## **BREEDING REGULATIONS**

### **136. STUD DOGS**

- 136.1 Subject to compliance with this rule, the Board may in its absolute discretion register a Greyhound as a stud sire with the Board.
- 136.2 It is a condition of Registration and retention of Registration under this Rule that the Stud Master be Registered with the Board.
- 136.3 The application for Registration under this rule must be made by the Owner of the Greyhound on the prescribed form and accompanied by the appropriate prescribed fee.
- 136.4 Subject to any express provision in these Rules to the contrary, the Registration of a Greyhound as a stud sire may expire upon the death of the sire.
- 136.5 Any Registration of any Greyhound as a stud sire is conditional upon:
- a. a DNA Fingerprint Analysis being carried out, by an analytical laboratory approved by the Board, on a blood sample taken from the applicant sire by a Veterinarian or other Authorised Person; and
  - b. the Owner of the applicant stud sire paying the prescribed fee for a DNA Fingerprint Analysis; and
  - c. a successful fertility test carried out in the preceding thirty (30) days in accordance with the appropriate veterinary procedures as determined by the Board from time to time; and
  - d. any costs incurred by any person (including the Board as a result of the application or requirements of this Rule), being paid by the Stud Master.

## **137. STUD SERVICES**

- 137.1** Services by Registered stud sires shall be by natural methods or by Artificial Insemination. The impregnation of bitches by fresh, chilled or frozen semen shall not be carried out unless prior approval is granted by the Board.
- 137.2** In granting approval for services by any stud sire to be conducted by means of Artificial Insemination, the Board may take into account the knowledge and expertise of the applicant with respect to artificial insemination procedures.
- 137.3** Any approval granted only extends to a Greyhound in the control of the applicant or other person approved by the Board to conduct Artificial Insemination.
- 137.4** No service by means of the implantation into a bitch of semen by Artificial Insemination shall be carried out unless all conditions and restrictions, as determined by the Board from time to time, have been complied with.
- 137.5** No Artificial Insemination service shall be in breach of these Rules governing the admission of Greyhounds into the Stud Book or in breach of the registration procedure for Artificial Insemination as approved by the Board and amended from time to time.
- 137.6** The total number of permitted services of a Registered stud sire to be recorded as being used or available for use in the serving of bitches in Australia shall not exceed fifty four (54) in any three month period.
- 137.7** The total number of permitted services as set out in this rule shall include natural services and services by Artificial Insemination but will not include any return service to a bitch who has, at her previous service to that stud sire, being the last such service of any type to the bitch, failed to conceive to that stud sire.
- 137.8** The total number of permitted services as set out in this rule shall not include Breeding Units which have been collected from the stud sire (in accordance with the AI program requirements) at any time, which are designated specifically for storage or sale in countries other than New Zealand.
- 137.9** Where a Stud Master or Authorised Person provides for the recording of more than the permitted number (54) of services of a Registered stud sire in any three month period, the Stud Master of that sire shall be guilty of an Offence in respect to each additional service in excess of the permitted number under this rule.
- 137.10** The Board shall have the unrestricted right to publish the number of services by any Registered sire, the number of litters produced from such services and the process of insemination used.
- 137.11** On production of a bitch for mating with a Registered stud sire, it is the duty of the Stud Master to demand the Certificate of Registration of the bitch and compare the identification particulars stated with the bitch produced for service.
- 137.12** Where the person producing a bitch for service is not the person shown on the Certificate of Registration as the Registered Owner, that person must provide the Stud Master or Authorised Person with a written authority from the Registered Owner of the bitch for the mating to take place.
- 137.13** The authority produced pursuant to 136.12 shall be retained by the Stud Master or Authorised Person and lodged with the Board .

**137.14** The Stud Master or Authorised Person shall, if required by an Authorised Person or the Owner of a bitch produced for service, provide the Certificate of Registration of the stud sire.

### **138. ADVERTISING OF STUD SIRES**

**138.1** Any weight advertised in relation to a stud sire shall be its last registered racing weight recorded, if any.

**138.2** Any information concerning the use of false or misleading advertising with regard to a stud sire shall be reported to the Board who may Suspend or Disqualify any stud sire to whom the false or misleading advertising relates.

**138.3** Any Person deemed by the Board to have been involved in the use of false or misleading advertising in any respect of a stud sire is guilty of an Offence.

**138.4** A Stud Master or Authorised Person may apply for re-Registration of a stud sire Suspended or Disqualified pursuant to this Rule by lodging with the Board conclusive proof of the accuracy of such advertising, or amended proposed advertising.

**138.5** A Person must not advertise any sire for service or Greyhound for sale or for lease with the representation that the sire or Greyhound has run a specified time unless:

- a. it is an official time and the representation indicates that it is an official time; and
- b. the representation indicates whether it is the winning time of a Race, or the time for a Qualifying Trial or official club trial, only.

### **139. STUD SIRES NOT DOMICILED IN NZ**

**139.1** In respect to stud sires which are not domiciled in New Zealand, only those Greyhounds registered with] the relevant board or commission of the country in which such Greyhound is domiciled shall be eligible for participation in the chilled insemination and frozen insemination procedures. However, any such Greyhounds must have the prior approval of the relevant board or commission in its country of domicile to participate in the chilled or frozen insemination procedures.

**139.2** Stud sires from whom semen is collected for chilling or freezing must be registered under a chilled insemination or a frozen insemination procedure and issued an identification number by the relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which such Greyhound is domiciled.

**139.3** All documents and records in respect to the chilled or frozen insemination procedure shall contain the name and identification number of the Greyhound as issued by the relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which such Greyhound is domiciled.

**139.4** All documents relating to the collection, chilling, freezing, storage, distribution and insemination of semen of a Greyhound shall be open for inspection by the relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which such Greyhound is domiciled.

**139.5** A copy of all documents relating to the collection of semen from a Greyhound shall be forwarded within fourteen (14) days of collection to the relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which such Greyhound is domiciled.

## 140. EXCLUSION OF A STUD SIRE

140.1 A Suspension or Disqualification imposed on a stud sire may apply for such period of time as determined by the Board.

140.2 A stud sire Suspended or Disqualified under these Rules shall during the period of the Suspension or Disqualification:

- a. be deemed to be not registered for stud purposes; and
- b. not be transferred into new Ownership unless the Board otherwise directs.

## 141. REGISTRATION OF SERVICE – FORM "C"

141.1 A Stud Master or Authorised Person shall, within fourteen (14) days of the first service of any bitch taking place, lodge with the Board the prescribed Form "C" with the following particulars:

- a. name of sire and bitch mated;
- b. date of service;
- c. Certificate of Registration number of the bitch presented for service;
- d. colour of the bitch;
- e. ear brand number of the bitch presented for service; and
- f. name and address of Registered Owner

141.2 An application under 140.1 shall be accompanied by the prescribed fee. The lodgement of the prescribed Form "C" beyond the time limit referred to in 140.1 may be accompanied by an additional fee as determined by the Board from time to time.

141.3 Where prior approval has been given by the Board for fresh, chilled or frozen semen of a Registered stud sire to be impregnated artificially, as provided by this Part, Registration of service will not be granted unless:

- a. the prescribed Form "C" is endorsed by at least one person other than the Stud master or Authorised Person as being present and witnessing the service;
- b. the Owner of the bitch or the Authorised Person representing the Owner as an agent thereof supplies the Stud Master or Authorised Person with a written and signed authority approving the use of artificial insemination;
- c. the authority pursuant to 140.3b above must be attached to the prescribed Form "C" except where the Owner or the Owner's agent is a signatory under 140.3a:
- d. where the donor stud sire is quartered at a place distant from that of the bitch to be artificially impregnated, the semen is collected, its container sealed, certified and dispatched under the supervision of a person who is authorised to do so by the relevant board or commission of the jurisdiction in which the stud sire is registered;
- e. the act of implantation of chilled semen occurs under the supervision of an Authorised Person (AI);

- f. such service by means of Artificial Insemination did not breach any other provisions of these Rules regarding admission the admission of Greyhounds into the Stud Book.

## **142. REGISTRATION OF AUTHORISED PERSON (AI)**

- 142.1 Any Person who is a Veterinarian or who is registered with the Board may apply to be Registered as an Authorised Person (AI) - ("Applicant").
- 142.2 An Applicant must submit a completed Form F.I(2) to the Board to apply to become an Authorised Person (AI).
- 142.3 To become an Authorised Person (AI), the Applicant must:
  - a. undertake a Board approved Artificial Insemination course; and/or
  - b. demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Board, a competency standard recognised by the Board in relation to Artificial Insemination; and/or
  - c. do such other things as reasonably required by the Board from time to time.
- 142.4 A person will be an Authorised Person (AI) only when notified in writing by the Board that the person is an Authorised Person (AI).
- 142.5 An Applicant will be granted provisional approval as an Authorised Person (AI) if he/she has met such of the requirements relating to the Artificial Insemination program as the Board may determine from time to time and is recognised by the Board as a suitable candidate for final approval upon completion of all designated requirements.
- 142.6 An Applicant who has been granted provisional approval as an Authorised Person (AI) is deemed to be an Authorised Person (AI) for the purposes of these Rules and may undertake all activities of the Authorised Person (AI) except that such person is not permitted to inseminate more than 5 bitches until granted final approval as an Authorised Person (AI) in accordance with this Rule.
- 142.7 An Authorised Person (AI) remains Registered as an Authorised Person (AI) for a period of 1 year from the date of the notification in accordance with 141.4. Prior to the end of that period, the Authorised Person (AI) may apply for renewal of Registration as an Authorised Person (AI). To obtain this renewal, the Authorised Person (AI) must satisfy all requirements as notified by the Board.
- 142.8 The Board may withdraw a person's authority to act as an Authorised Person (AI) by written notice to that person if:
  - a. the Board believes that the person is not a fit and proper person to be an Authorised Person (AI);
  - b. the person has committed an Offence;
  - c. the conception rate of bitches inseminated by the Authorised Person (AI) under the Artificial Insemination program falls to below 3 out of 5; or
  - d. for such other reason as the Board thinks fit.
- 142.9 Any costs incurred by any person (including those of the Board as a result of the application of this rule 142.8 shall be paid by the relevant Authorised Person (AI)

### **143. REGISTRATION OF APPROVED FACILITY (AI)**

- 143.1** An Authorised Person (AI) may apply for a facility to be Registered as an Approved Facility (AI) – ("Facility Applicant").
- 143.2** A Facility Applicant must submit a completed Form F.I (1) to the Board to indicate his/her request for the Registration of the facility as an Approved Facility (AI).
- 143.3** To become an Approved Facility (AI), the facility must upon inspection by a person authorised by the Board, be assessed as being equipped and maintained to a standard recognised by the Board as suitable for Artificial Insemination.
- 143.4** A facility will be deemed to be an Approved Facility (AI) only when the Facility Applicant is notified in writing by the Board that the facility is an Approved Facility (AI).
- 143.5** Once approval is granted, an Approved Facility (AI) remains Registered as an Approved Facility (AI) for a period of 1 year. Prior to the end of that period, application may be made for renewal of its Registration as an Approved Facility (AI). To obtain Registration renewal the Approved Facility (AI) must satisfy any requirements notified by the Board/Commission.
- 143.6** The Board/Commission may revoke the Approved Facility (AI) status of certain premises by notice in writing to the relevant Authorised Person (AI) if:
- a.** the Board believed that the premises are no longer fit and proper to be Registered as an Approved Facility (AI) for any reason; or
  - b.** the premises do not comply with the requirements of these Rules or any other relevant rules; or
  - c.** the person who has been approved as an Authorised Person (AI) with respect to those premises is no longer an Authorised Person (AI).
- 143.7** Any costs incurred by any person (including those of the Board) as a result of the application of this Rule shall be paid by the relevant applicant for the Approved Facility (AI) or the person who has been Registered with the Approved Facility (AI).
- 143.8** Approval of a facility as an Approved Facility (AI) is not transferable and limited only to the premises the subject of the approval.

### **144. ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION – GENERAL**

- 144.1** Notwithstanding anything else in these rules:
- a.** No person is permitted to undertake any part of AI unless that person is an Authorised Person (AI).
  - b.** No part of any Artificial Insemination process is permitted to be undertaken on any premises unless such premises are an Approved Facility (AI).
- 144.2** The Board may allow persons other than Authorised Persons (AI) to undertake a part of Artificial Insemination, and may allow a part of Artificial Insemination to be undertaken from premises other than Approved Premises (AI), but only if the Board

first gives its written approval for this to occur and any such approval or approvals may be given on such terms and conditions as it sees fit.

- 144.3 A maximum number of eighteen (18) collections of complete ejaculate per month from a Registered stud sire shall be the regulated maximum standard for all processes of insemination. This maximum number of collections of complete ejaculate shall consist of those collections constituting natural services together with those collected for artificial insemination purposes involving the preparation of Breeding Units.
- 144.4 A stud sire can only be used as part of the Artificial Insemination program if it is Registered as a stud sire with the Board and is also registered under the Artificial Insemination program in accordance with these Rules.
- 144.5 A collection of complete ejaculate from a stud sire may be split into breeding units by an Authorised Person (AI) for the purposes of Artificial Insemination provided that each split contains a certified minimum number of 100 million forwardly motile, normal, live sperm post thaw, at time of freezing.
- 144.6 An Authorised Person (AI) must lodge, using the approved prescribed Artificial Insemination form from Schedule 1, on a monthly basis with the Board the total number of collections of complete ejaculate and, the assessment and allocation of breeding units from a stud sire for use in the New Zealand market and/or for storage and/or for export to another country.
- 144.7 An Authorised Person (AI) must register with the Board the storage location and Ownership of each breeding unit collected and prepared in accordance with these Rules. Any change of storage location and/or ownership of a breeding unit must be notified to the Board using the approved prescribed Artificial Insemination form from Schedule 1.
- 144.8 Breeding units collected and prepared in accordance with these Rules either stored, exported or used outside of New Zealand will not be included in the number of bitches recorded by the Board as being served by a stud sire.
- 144.9 Any breeding units subject to Artificial Insemination processes and imported into New Zealand shall be subject to export and import requirements and conform to these Rules.
- 144.10 The total number of permitted services of a Registered stud sire to be recorded as being used or being available for the serving of bitches in New Zealand shall not exceed fifty four (54) in any one quarter or part thereof (on a pro rata basis) commencing from the date of Registration of the stud sire.
- 144.11 The total number of permitted services as set out in 143.10 above shall include natural services and services available by Artificial Insemination but will not include any return service to a bitch who has, at her previous service to that stud sire, failed to conceive to that stud sire.
- 144.12 For other than the fifty four (54) permitted services that may be recorded in this Rule as being used by a Registered stud sire in serving bitches in New Zealand, any breeding units remaining or surplus breeding units may be specifically recorded and assigned as – 'for Artificial Insemination storage and/or export'. These breeding units would not be available for immediate use in New Zealand but would be available only for Artificial Insemination storage or exportation.

144.13 Upon appropriate application to the Board the breeding units specifically recorded for Artificial Insemination storage/export use may, be released for use in the New Zealand market, subject to these Rules.

#### 145. DUTIES OF AUTHORISED PERSONS (AI)

145.1 An Authorised Person (AI) must allow any person nominated by the Board to inspect that Authorised Person's (AI) Approved Facility (AI) and any records, documents and other items in any way related to the Artificial Insemination program involving that Authorised Person (AI). Failure to permit such an inspection will be an Offence under these Rules.

145.2 All Authorised Persons (AI) must comply with the reasonable directions of the Board in relation to the conduct of the Artificial Insemination program. Failure to comply with such directions will be an Offence under these Rules.

145.3 In respect to the storage and identification of chilled or frozen semen:

- a. The storage system, inventory system and identification system at a centre must be approved by the relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which the centre is located.
- b. Containers for the storage of chilled or frozen semen must be approved by the relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which such semen is stored.
- c. Each breeding unit of semen collected from a stud sire shall be registered with the relevant board or commission in the State Territory or Country in which such semen is stored .
- d. The Veterinarian or Person collecting the semen shall identify each breeding unit by means of a consecutive numbering system together with the identification number of the stud sire and the identification letter of the Centre through which the collection was made. The name of the stud sire shall also be inscribed on each container in a manner approved by the relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which such semen is stored.
- e. Storage facility records must be kept to show ownership of semen. Any transfer of ownership of chilled or frozen semen must be notified to the relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which such semen is stored in writing within fourteen (14) days of such change of ownership.

145.4 A copy of the notification of service shall be forwarded by the -relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which such semen is stored to the owner of the semen used.

145.5 The [relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which such semen is stored] shall be notified within fourteen (14) days when a shipment of chilled or frozen semen is received by or transported from a centre.

145.6 Any stud sire or Greyhound bitch must be DNA fingerprinted before it can participate in a chilled or frozen insemination procedure.

145.7 Subject to 144.8, a breeding unit of semen must be used to inseminate only one Greyhound bitch in every case of Artificial Insemination. Any remaining unused

semen from a breeding unit must be forwarded to the Board within fourteen (14) days of the insemination taking place.

**145.8** Without limiting the generality of 144.7, a breeding unit may be divided into three (3) splits for the insemination of the same Greyhound bitch during one oestrus cycle, provided that the inseminations are performed at intervals not exceeding forty-eight (48) hours each, unless veterinary assessment of ovulation by hormone assay or vaginal cytology or both indicate a more suitable time interval should be used and the inseminator shall adopt that time interval.

**145.9** The splitting of a breeding unit of semen for the purpose of serving more than one Greyhound bitch shall be an Offence under these Rules.

## **146. IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS**

**146.1** Stud Sires are assigned an identification number.

**146.2** Approved Facilities (AI) are assigned an identification letter in alphabetical order.

**146.3** Breeding units are numbered consecutively, starting with 1.

**146.4** Splits are designated alphabetically. For example:

- a. A stud sire is assigned the identification number NZ09 and collection is made at Approved Facility (AI) B:
- b. Breeding unit 3 split 1 = NZ09 B3A
- c. Breeding unit 4 split 3 = NZ09 B4C

## **147. CHILLED & FROZEN SEMEN**

**147.1** The use of chilled or frozen semen drawn from Greyhounds for any purpose under these Rules is prohibited unless it complies with the following conditions:

**147.2** A service by means of chilled or frozen semen is approved by the [relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country] in which the service takes place.

**147.3** The semen was drawn by a person registered or licensed for that purpose by the [relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country] in which such Greyhound is domiciled.

**147.4** The semen was drawn from a Greyhound registered under a Chilled or Frozen Insemination Programme recognised by the [relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which such Greyhound is domiciled].

**147.5** The semen was chilled or frozen and stored at a facility which is properly licensed or registered by the [relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which such facility is located].

**147.6** The semen has been properly identified and stored in accordance with these Rules or the rules of [a Board/Commission in the State, Territory or Country in which the semen is stored].

**147.7** The semen has been imported in accordance with the applicable governmental laws in each situation.

- 147.8 True identification of the Greyhound from which the semen was collected is properly recorded with the relevant Board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which the Greyhound is domiciled.
- 147.9 All other requirements prescribed by these Rules have been complied with.
- 147.10 Where application is made for admittance of a Greyhound or litter of Greyhounds born by means of Artificial Insemination into the Stud Book whereby these Rules or the Rules of the Board have not been complied with such Greyhound or litter of Greyhounds shall not be entered into the unless approval is granted at a General Meeting of Greyhounds Australasia.
- 147.11 In order to participate in the Artificial Insemination program, all relevant persons must lodge with the Board within the relevant prescribed time, the appropriate prescribed form together with any prescribed fee dealing with the particular Artificial Insemination program activity as specified in these Rules. All prescribed forms must be duly completed. The Board reserves the right to reject any form lodged by a person. The forms may contain additional requirements and conditions in relation to the Artificial Insemination program which requirements and conditions must be observed by Authorised Persons (AI) and other relevant persons. Failure to comply with such requirements and conditions will be deemed to be an Offence.
- 147.12 The relevant prescribed forms and certain requirements relating to these prescribed forms are set out in Schedule 1 to these Rules. The Board may, from time to time, add to, vary or remove any of the prescribed forms in which case the revised prescribed forms shall apply to the Artificial Insemination program of the Board upon general notification to the Greyhound racing industry by the Board.
- 147.13 The lodgement of a prescribed form pursuant these Rules to shall be accompanied by the appropriate fee as prescribed from time to time by the Board.
- 147.14 The Board may refuse to accept any prescribed form lodged outside the specified time limit (if applicable) and may impose additional fees or other penalties as it thinks fit for late lodgement.
- 147.15 Any person who fails to comply with this rule shall be guilty of an Offence.

#### 148. REGISTRATION OF RESULT OF MATING - FORM "D"

148.1 Any Person who:

- a. is the Owner of a bitch presented to a Stud Master for the purposes of breeding a litter; or
- b. is authorised under these Rules;

must within fourteen (14) days of whelping or, if the bitch fails to whelp, within fourteen (14) days of the due whelping date (being sixty-three (63) days after the date of mating), lodge with the Board the prescribed Form "D", accompanied by the prescribed fee.

148.2 In the event of a Form "D" not being available to a person described in 147.1 notice must be given to the Board in writing within fourteen (14) days of whelping or if the bitch fails to whelp within fourteen (14) days of the due whelping date (being sixty-three (63) days after the date of mating).

- 148.3 The lodgement of the prescribed Form "D" or initial advice beyond the time limit referred to in Rule 147.1 and 147.2 shall be accompanied by an additional fee as determined by the Board from time to time.
- 148.4 Any removal or relocation of puppies from the place designated in the prescribed Form "D" must be notified to the Board prior to removal unless they have been inspected by the Steward.
- 148.5 Any person failing to notify the Board pursuant to Rule 147.4 shall commit an Offence under these Rules.
- 148.6 Any person failing to lodge a Form "D" pursuant to 147.1 or a notice pursuant to 147.2 within fourteen (14) days of the respective due dates shall commit an Offence under these Rules.

#### 149. REGISTRATION OF LITTERS – FORM "E"

- 149.1 Except as provided for in this Rule, all litters whelped in the jurisdiction of the Board shall be registered with the Board within such period of whelping as determined by the Board by lodging the prescribed Form 'E'.
- 149.2 A condition of the Registration of any litter of Greyhounds whelped shall be that:
- a. both the sire and dam of such litter have been DNA Fingerprinted and Registered;
  - b. that such sire was approved by the Board for services to be conducted by means of Artificial Insemination, if the service was by artificial means.
- 149.3 Semen was collected from the stud sire and inseminated into a bitch only by a person authorised to do so by the relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which the Stud Sire was registered; and
- 149.4 The breeding unit from the semen collected from the stud sire was not split in order to serve more than one bitch; and
- 149.5 At the time the semen was collected from the stud sire the stud sire had not performed more than the maximum number of services in the three month period, as determined by the relevant board or commission in the State, Territory or Country in which the stud sire is registered .
- 149.6 An application pursuant to this Rule must be accompanied by the prescribed fee.
- 149.7 Colour abbreviations that may be noted on Form 'E' are:
- a. ("bk") - black;
  - b. ("be") - blue;
  - c. ("bd") - brindle;
  - d. ("f") - fawn;
  - e. ("r") - red; and
  - f. ("w") - white.
- 149.8 Ticking or black spots on the skin or coat of a Greyhound should be denoted as "t".
- 149.9 Where a Greyhound is of broken colours, all colours present must be listed in order of predominance.

- 149.10 A Greyhound should not be described as "bk and w" unless the white exceeds more than the total of white feet, chest, tips on tail and nose (inclusive).
- 149.11 All litters the subject of an application for Registration must be inspected, marked and ear branded by a marking Official before an application under this Rule can be made unless an express exemption is granted by the Board.
- 149.12 Litters may under special circumstances be registered after the age of three (3) months, and up to the age of six (6) months, at the discretion of the Board by payment of an additional fee as prescribed .
- 149.13 Failure on the part of an applicant or Breeder to ensure that premises where puppies are present are to the reasonable satisfaction of a marking Official, or other Authorised Person, in a clean and hygienic condition, may result in refusal by the marking Official, or that other Authorised Person, to mark and ear brand a puppy or refusal of Registration by the Board.
- 149.14 The Board may in its absolute discretion grant or refuse Registration of a litter whether the time for Registration has expired or not.

## 150. DOUBT AS TO PARENTAGE/ACCIDENTAL MATINGS

- 150.1 Where in the opinion of the Board doubt exists as to the true parentage or identification of a litter or members of a litter the subject of application under this Rule, the Board may enquire into the matter and request from the applicant such material as is deemed necessary to establish the true parentage or identification of a litter or members of a litter.
- 150.2 Where in the opinion of the Board/Commission it is known or suspected that pups may have been conceived through mating with more than one sire or an accidental mating, the DNA testing of all pups by an Authorised Person shall be ordered on behalf of the Registered Breeder of those pups.
- 150.3 If:
- a. a Greyhound services a bitch and the Greyhound is not at that time Registered as a sire; and
  - b. the service occurred in circumstances beyond the control of the Owner or other person who had the care or custody of the bitch; and
  - c. the bitch proves subsequently to be in whelp,
- the Board may, after due inquiry, allow the Greyhound to be Registered as a sire and the service to be Registered without penalty.
- 150.4 Any Registration under Rule 149.3 is not to be granted after a litter has resulted from an accidental service.
- 150.5 Where the Board directs DNA testing of pups pursuant to this Rule 149 the Registered Breeder must pay for the expenses of the DNA testing.
- 150.6 It is an Offence for any person to fail to comply promptly and fully with a request pursuant to Rule 149.5.
- 150.7 In the event of an applicant failing to comply promptly and fully with a request pursuant Rule 149.5 the Board may, in its absolute discretion:

- a. refuse to register the litter;
- b. refuse to accept the litter for inclusion in the Stud Book; and/or
- c. refuse to register members of the litter for racing purposes.

## 151. DNA FINGERPRINTING ANALYSIS

151.1 It shall be a pre-requisite for listing in the Stud Book that:

- a. as from 1st August 1994, no Australian or New Zealand domiciled Greyhound shall be recorded as a stud sire in the Stud Book; and
- b. no Greyhound or litter of Greyhounds whelped on or after 1st July 1996 shall be recorded in the Stud Book

unless in respect to both the sire and dam of such Greyhound or litter of Greyhounds a DNA Fingerprint Analysis Record is made available to the keeper of the Stud Book for inspection by Greyhounds Australasia's designated DNA contractor V.I.A.S.

151.2 The Board may at any time direct that a DNA Fingerprint Analysis be performed on a Greyhound which has been recorded in the Stud Book or is being considered for inclusion in the Stud Book or which is Registered, or for which Registration is sought, with the Board for the purpose of ascertaining the parentage of the Greyhound or otherwise.

151.3 The Owner of a Greyhound may request that a DNA Fingerprint Analysis be performed on the Greyhound by submitting a duly completed Application Form 1 to the Board.

151.4 The Owner of the Greyhound in respect of which a DNA Fingerprint Analysis has been ordered under Rule 150.2 or requested under Rule 150.3, must arrange for the collection of samples from the Greyhound by a Veterinarian:

- a. in the case of an order for a DNA Fingerprint Analysis being made under Rule 150.2, within seven (7) days of the order being communicated to the Owner of the Greyhound; or
- b. in the case of a request for a DNA Fingerprint Analysis being made by an Owner under Rule 150.3 within seven (7) days of the Application Form 1 being submitted to the Board.

151.5 The Owner of such Greyhound must ensure that the Veterinarian who collected the samples pursuant to Rule 150.4 forwards the following items to an approved analytical facility within twenty-four (24) hours of the samples being collected:

- a. two (2) sealed containers containing an anti-coagulant such as Lithium Heparin or any similar type of anti-coagulant and the samples of a minimum quantity specified in Rule 150.6;
- b. the two (2) containers must be clearly labelled and contain the following information:
  - i. the name, ear brands and colour of the Greyhound;
  - ii. the date and time of collection of the samples; and
  - iii. the name of the Veterinarian who collected the samples; and



**151.16** Only an analytical laboratory which has been approved by the Board may carry out a DNA Fingerprint Analysis for the purposes of these Rules or the Rules of the Board.

**152. INCLUSION IN/DELETION FROM STUD BOOK**

**152.1** Subject to Rule 151.2, if a Greyhound is recorded in the Stud Book and:

- a. the litter of which the Greyhound was a member was not recorded in the Stud Book before the recording of the Greyhound; or
- b. the DNA fingerprint analysis of that Greyhound indicates that the Greyhound is not an offspring of a stud sire and a dam recorded in the Stud Book,

the deletion of the Greyhound from the Stud Book shall be undertaken by the keeper of the Stud Book.

**152.2** A Greyhound which has been deleted pursuant to Rule 151.1 shall be re-entered into the Stud Book if:

- a. a subsequent DNA fingerprint analysis clearly indicates that the Greyhound is an offspring of the stud sire and a dam recorded in the Stud Book; or
- b. sufficient evidence is provided to show that the litter of which the Greyhound was a member was recorded in the Stud Book before the recording of the Greyhound; and
- c. the recording of the Greyhound has been approved at a General Meeting of Greyhounds Australasia, or by the Board of Greyhounds Australasia under its delegated powers.

**FIRST SCHEDULE – PRESCRIBED FORMS**

F.I. (1)	A Facility Applicant applying for premises to be registered as an Approved Facility (AI) must lodge a prescribed Form F.I(1). This form is also to be lodged by a person who wishes to seek approval of the facility as an Approved Facility (AI).
F.I. (2)	A person applying to become an Authorised Person (AI) must lodge a prescribed Form F.I (2). This form is also to be lodged by a Veterinarian seeking approval as an inseminator.
F.I. (3)	An Owner or lessee of a stud sire ordinarily domiciled within the jurisdiction of the Board and who wishes to register that stud sire under the (AI) program must lodge a prescribed Form F.I (3). This form is also to be used for the purposes of registering that stud sire.
F.I. (4)	An Owner or lessee of a stud sire ordinarily domiciled in a State or Territory of Australia (other than the jurisdiction of the Board) and who wishes to register that stud sire as a stud sire under the (AI) program must lodge a prescribed Form F.I (4). This form is also to be used for the purposes of registering that stud sire.
F.I. (5)	An Owner or lessee of a stud sire ordinarily domiciled outside of Australia and who wishes to register that stud sire as a stud sire under the (AI) program must lodge a prescribed Form F.I (5). This form is also to be used for the purposes of registering that stud sire.
F.I. (6)	An Authorised Person (AI) who collects semen from a stud sire under the (AI) program must, within fourteen (14) days of such collection, lodge a prescribed Form F.I (6).
F.I. (7)	Any person who acquires or receives frozen semen from another person must, within fourteen (14) days of such acquisition or receipt, lodge a prescribed Form F.I (7) irrespective of whether ownership of the frozen semen has been transferred.
F.I. (8)	Any person who relocates frozen semen out of an Approved Facility (AI) shall, within fourteen (14) days of such relocation, lodge a prescribed Form F.I (8).
F.I. (9)	Any person claiming to be the Owner of frozen semen drawn under the (AI) program must, within fourteen (14) days of the semen being drawn, lodge a prescribed Form F.I (9).
F.I. (10)	If the ownership of semen drawn under the (AI) program is to be transferred, the person transferring Ownership and the person acquiring Ownership must lodge a prescribed Form F.I (10) within fourteen (14) days of the transfer of ownership.
Form "C"	An Authorised Person (AI) who administers a service of a Greyhound bitch by the artificial insemination of frozen semen must, within fourteen (14) days of the service, lodge a prescribed Form "C" certifying that the draw of frozen semen was used to inseminate that Greyhound bitch.
Form "D"	The Owner, or Litter Master, of a brood bitch must lodge prescribed Form "D" within fourteen (14) days of due date of whelping, notifying result of the whelping.
Form "E"	The Owner, or Litter Master, of a brood bitch must lodge prescribed Form "E" within three (3) months of date of whelping, and after inspection and ear branding, registering the litter.

**SECOND SCHEDULE**

Ashburton County Greyhound Racing Club (Inc)  
Auckland Greyhound Racing Club (Inc)  
Christchurch Greyhound Racing Club (Inc)  
Otago Greyhound Racing Club (Inc)  
Manawatu Greyhound Racing Club (Inc)  
Southland Greyhound Racing Club (Inc)  
Taranaki Greyhound Racing Club (Inc)  
Tokoroa Greyhound Racing Club (Inc)  
Waikato and Districts Greyhound Racing Club (Inc)  
Wairarapa Greyhound Racing Club (Inc)  
Wanganui Greyhound Racing Club (Inc)  
Wellington Greyhound Racing Club (Inc)

**THIRD SCHEDULE**

Greyhounds Australasia  
Canberra Greyhound Racing Club  
Greyhound Racing Authority of NSW  
NSW National Coursing Association Ltd  
Northern Territory Department of Industries and Business  
Greyhound Racing Authority of Queensland  
Greyhound Racing SA Ltd  
Tasmanian Greyhound Racing Council  
Greyhound Racing Victoria  
Greyhounds Western Australia

## FOURTH SCHEDULE

1. **Interpretation** – In this schedule:
  - (a) **racecourse, racing rules, racing code, and racing betting** each has the same meaning ascribed to it in section 5 of the Racing Act 2003;
  - (b) **bookmaker** has the same meaning ascribed to it in section 4 of the Gambling Act 2003;
  - (c) **Exemptions Committee** means a committee comprising of the chief executive or general manager of each racing code and a chairman appointed by the racing codes;
  - (d) references to any Act include references to any subsequent Act consolidating or in substitution of it.
  
2. **Prohibited persons** – For the purpose of maintaining public confidence in the conduct of racing and the integrity of racing betting:
  - (a) persons (other than eligible individuals under the Criminal Records (Clean Slate Act) 2004 and those persons to which 2(b) applies) of the classes described in Category 1 are excluded absolutely from entering any racecourse to which section 34 of the Racing Act 2003 applies;
  - (b) persons (other than eligible individuals under the Criminal Records (Clean Slate Act) 2004) of the classes described in Category 2 are excluded for a period of 2 years from the date of conviction from entering any racecourse to which section 34 of the Racing Act 2003 applies.
  
3. **Exemptions** –
  - (a) Any person excluded under rule 2 hereof from entering a racecourse may apply in writing to the Exemptions Committee to be exempted wholly or in part from that prohibition.
  - (b) The Exemptions Committee may grant an exemption in whole or in part if it is satisfied that, having regard to the exceptional circumstances of the particular individual, doing so will not compromise the maintenance of public confidence in the conduct of racing and the integrity of racing betting.

### Category 1

Classes of person excluded absolutely from entering any racecourse under rule 2(a) –

#### *Racing Disqualifications*

- (a) Disqualified persons under the racing rules made by racing codes;
- (b) Persons who are disqualified or prohibited by racing authorities in any country outside New Zealand having reciprocal agreements with one or more of the racing codes;

#### *Bookmaking, Betting and Racing*

- (c) Bookmakers and persons acting as bookmakers agents but not persons lawfully acting as bookmakers or bookmakers agents in any country outside New Zealand;

- (d) Persons convicted (whether before or after the commencement of these rules) of any offence or infringement offence under the Gambling Act 2003, the Gaming Act 1908 or under Part II of the Gaming and Lotteries Act 1977;
- (e) Persons convicted (whether before or after the commencement of these rules) of any offence under the Racing Act 2003 or the Racing Act 1971;

*Offences*

- (f) Persons convicted (whether before or after the commencement of these rules) of the following offences:
  - (i) endangering safety under sections 12 or 13 of the Summary Offences Act 1981;
  - (ii) possession of weapons or imitation firearms in a public place; or
  - (iii) any offence under the Gaming and Lotteries Act 1977 (other than Part II which relates to Bookmakers and Betting);

*Crimes*

- (g) Persons convicted (whether before or after the commencement of these rules) of any of the following crimes, or of being a party to any such crime, or of conspiring or attempting to commit any such crime:
  - (i) crimes involving dishonesty, fraud, forgery, bribery or corruption;
  - (ii) violence offences, sexual offences; indecent acts or arson;
  - (iii) serious drug offences;
  - (iv) burglary, robbery or conversion; or
  - (v) participation in an organised criminal group under section 98A of the Crimes Act 1961.

*Overseas Convictions*

- (h) Persons convicted (whether before or after the commencement of these rules) in countries outside New Zealand of offences or crimes corresponding to those mentioned in paragraphs (d), (e), (f) and (g) of these rules;

**Category 2**

Classes of person excluded from entering any racecourse for the period referred to in rule 2(b) –

- (a) Persons convicted (whether before or after the commencement of these rules) of assault except those persons whose sentence or cumulative sentence (in the case of multiple convictions) in any such case is a fine of less than \$1000 or community work of less than 100 hours and those persons on whom no sentence was imposed;
- (b) Persons belonging to any one or more of the classes referred to in paragraphs (f) and (g) of Category 1 on whom no sentence was imposed or whose sentence:
  - (i) did not include a custodial sentence (as defined in section 4 of the Criminal Records (Clean Slate) Act 2004); and

- (ii) did not include a fine of \$1,000 or more or a term of community work of 100 hours or more or supervision.