

GRV Transportation of Greyhounds Policy

The purpose of the 'GRV Transportation of Greyhounds Policy' is to assist participants in providing a safe and healthy environment for their greyhounds whilst being transported by road. Adherence to minimum recommended guidelines will ensure that transport / travel stress and injury are minimised and that greyhounds arrive at their destination in the best possible condition.

The following minimum standards apply to:

- a) Trailers
- b) Motor Vehicles

Trailer Standard

1. Trailer must be clean, and registered if required per Vic Roads standards.
2. Doors, latches and hinges must be in working order and securely fixed to the frame.
3. Doors must have a latching mechanism that prevents the possibility of being opened from inside or other inadvertent opening. It is preferable that the doors are lockable or can be secured externally by way of a pin / bolt that prevents opening.
4. Trailer must have adequate and functioning ventilation. If travelling exceeds one hour, a stop in the journey should be made to allow for inspection and water / fluids consumption.
5. Greyhounds must not be left unattended in the trailer for any extended period.
6. Collars and leads should be placed so as to avoid becoming entangled with the greyhounds.
7. Other than in cases dealing with exceptional circumstances or emergency, greyhounds must be transported in separate compartments. These should be securely fixed and allow for greyhounds to sit, lie down and stand in a natural position without making contact with overhead structures.
8. Trailer must have secure means of attaching to vehicle so as to prevent separation during travelling.

Vehicle Standard

1. Vehicle must be clean, registered and roadworthy.
2. Vehicle must have adequate and functioning ventilation.
3. If travelling time exceeds one hour, a break in the journey should be made to allow for inspection and water/fluids consumption.
4. Collars and leads should be placed so as to avoid becoming entangled with the greyhounds.
5. Other than in cases dealing exceptional circumstances or emergency, greyhounds should be afforded sufficient room to enable them to sit, lie down or stand in a natural position and without restriction.
6. Greyhounds must not be left unattended in the vehicle for any extended period.
7. Greyhounds should be safely restrained within the vehicle to avoid distracting the driver or sustaining injury to themselves and occupants in the event of an accident.