

GREYHOUND RACING VICTORIA (GRV) LOCAL RACING RULES (LR)

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RULES OF GREYHOUND RACING VICTORIA

PREFACE

In these Rules “Board” means the Greyhound Racing Victoria (GRV) Board, formerly the Greyhound Racing Control Board of Victoria.

GRV’s Rules of Greyhound Racing incorporate the Greyhounds Australasia Rules (GAR), the Plumpton Coursing Rules and the Betting and Bookmaker Rules.

The following information details the legislation that applies in the State of Victoria:

Victoria - Racing Act 1958 (Vic) (as amended)

These Rules are made pursuant to the Racing Act 1958 (Vic).

PART 1: PRELIMINARY

1 Operation

- 1.1 These Rules may be cited as the Greyhound Racing Victoria Rules and as LR(Vic).
- 1.2 These Rules are made under section 82 of the Act, and shall come into operation on 1 January, 2011.
- 1.3 On the coming into operation of these Rules, the Board's rules in operation immediately prior thereto (the “previous rules”) shall be revoked, but this revocation shall not, unless the contrary intention expressly appears:
 - (a) revive anything not in force or existing at the time at which the revocation becomes operative;
 - (b) affect the previous operation of the previous rules or anything duly done under those previous rules;
 - (c) affect any Penalty, Suspension, Disqualification, Warning Off, punishment or declaration of Default incurred in respect of any matter under those previous rules; or
 - (d) affect any Inquiry, legal proceeding or remedy in respect of any Registered Person or Club, right, privilege, obligation, liability, Penalty, Suspension, Disqualification, Warning Off, punishment or declaration of Default; andany such Inquiry, legal proceeding or remedy may be instituted, continued or enforced, and any such Penalty, Suspension, Disqualification, Warning Off, punishment or declaration of Default may be imposed as if those previous rules had not been revoked.
- 1.4 Where any amendment is made to these Rules, notice in the official publication of the Board or service by post to every Registered Person or Club shall be deemed complete notice for the purposes of notifying all Registered Persons or Clubs of any Rule amendments.

2 Definitions

2.1 Definitions in the Act or the GAR's have the same meaning in these Rules unless the context or subject matter otherwise indicates or requires.

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

“**Act**” means the Racing Act 1958 of Victoria;

“**Authorised Officer**” means a person authorised by the Board pursuant to section 77A(1) of the Act;

“**Board**” means the Board of GRV appointed pursuant to the Act;

“**Breeder**” means a person who is engaged in the breeding of greyhounds for Racing purposes;

“**Catcher**” means a person who catches a greyhound at the conclusion of an Event.

“**CEO**” means the person appointed pursuant to section 73(1) of the Act;

“**GAR**” means the Greyhounds Australasia Rules;

“**Greyhound Trial Track**” is as defined in the Act;

“**GRV**” means Greyhound Racing Victoria, formerly the Greyhound Racing Control Board of Victoria;

“**GRV RADB**” means the GRV Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board which is established pursuant to, and has the powers set out in, Part IIIA of the Act;

“**Investigator**” means a person appointed by the Board pursuant to LR 48.1;

“**LR**” means these Rules;

“**Offence**” means an offence under or breach of these Rules;

“**Penalty Unit**” means the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per unit and when multiplied by the number of Penalty Units specified in a Rule in relation to an Offence or Serious Offence (as applicable), the product equals the monetary amount of the Penalty for the Offence or Serious Offence (as applicable);

“**Prescribed Form**” means a document that requires completion by the applicant, which includes an on-line application form. (added 01.01.2013)

“**Racing Integrity Commissioner**” has the meaning set out in section 3(1) of the Act;

“**Regulations**” means any regulations made under or pursuant to the Act;

“**Rules**” means the rules of the Board as set out in this document (as amended from time to time) other than the **GAR**'s, the Plumpton Coursing Rules and the Betting and Bookmaker Rules;

“**Serious Offence**” means a breach of these Rules which is deemed to be a serious offence for the purposes of the Act and these Rules, as specified in LR 47.1;

“**TABCORP Agreements**” means the Product Supply Agreement and the Racing Program Agreement entered into on behalf of GRV with TABCORP Holdings Ltd (or any successor as holder of the wagering licence in Victoria pursuant to the Gambling Regulation Act 2003 (Vic)) and other parties;

“**Totalisator Odds**” means odds which are determined or to be determined by the result of the operation of a totalisator on any event;

“**VCAT**” means the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal.

3 Application of Greyhounds Australasia Rules

- 3.1 The Greyhounds Australasia Rules (**GAR**) as adopted by the Board shall apply and form part of these Rules.
- 3.2 If the GAR’s are amended in any way from time to time, such amendment must be adopted by a resolution of the Board before it is deemed to apply.
- 3.3 Where reference is made in the GAR’s to Schedules, those references are to the corresponding Schedule to these LR’s.

4 Application of Plumpton Coursing Rules

- 4.1 The Plumpton Coursing Rules shall apply and form part of these Rules.
- 4.2 GRV shall be responsible for the conduct, promotion and administration of Plumpton coursing in accordance with the Plumpton Coursing Rules.

5 Application of the Betting and Bookmakers Rules

- 5.1 The Betting and Bookmakers Rules shall apply and form part of these Rules.
- 5.2 In the event of a conflict between the Betting and Bookmakers Rules and any lawful regulations, directions or requirements of the Bookmakers and Bookmakers' Clerks Registration Committee, then the latter shall prevail to the extent of the conflict.
- 5.3 Without derogating from any of the provisions of the Act, regulations under the Act or any other legislation, all agreements in relation to betting on greyhound Events shall be made subject to the provisions of these Betting and Bookmakers Rules.

6 Conflict between Rules

In the event of any conflict between any provisions of these Rules and the GAR’s, the Plumpton Coursing Rules or the Betting and Bookmakers Rules, the provisions of these Rules shall prevail.

PART 2: BOARD'S GENERAL POWERS

7 Common Seal

- 7.1 The Board shall have a common seal.
- 7.2 The CEO shall provide for the safe custody of the common seal.
- 7.3 The common seal shall be used only by the authority of the Board, or of a committee of the Board so authorised by the Board.
- 7.4 Every document to which the common seal is affixed shall be signed by a member of the Board and be countersigned by another member of the Board or the CEO.

8 Convening Meetings of the Board

The Chairman of the Board, or in the Chairman's absence the Deputy Chairman, is empowered to convene meetings of the Board and to give directions to the CEO.

9 No Action

- 9.1 No action shall be brought in any court against any member of the Board or Officer of the Board who, acting in good faith, enters upon any land for any of the purposes of these Rules.
- 9.2 No action shall be brought in any court against the Board, a member of the Board or Officer of the Board in relation to any injury, loss or damage howsoever occurring on the Premises of a Club or on any Greyhound Trial Track.

PART 3: REGISTRATION

10 Recognition of "Controlling Body"

- 10.1 The Board shall recognise as a "Controlling Body" any authority or body that falls within this phrase as defined in GAR 1.
- 10.2 Any person registered with a Controlling Body shall, while the person remains resident outside Victoria, be deemed to be registered with the Board.
- 10.3 A greyhound which is registered with a Controlling Body and which is nominated for and/or participates in any Event in Victoria shall be subject to any decision or penalty provided for in these Rules.
- 10.4 In these Rules any reference to a first or subsequent Offence shall be deemed to include a reference to a first or subsequent Offence of a similar nature and includes any offence occurring at any place outside Victoria where a Controlling Body has jurisdiction and which would, if committed in Victoria, constitute an Offence under these Rules.

11 Registered Persons

- 11.1 Persons who wish to be Owners, Trainers or Attendants of greyhounds must be registered with the Board and must make application in such manner, pay such fee and comply with such conditions as may be prescribed from time to time by the Board.
- 11.2 The Board may refuse to grant any application for registration made pursuant to LR 11.1 (Vic) and may cancel or suspend any registration. The Board is at liberty to vary the conditions applicable to the registered person after the date of registration.
- 11.3 A registered person may at any time apply for cancellation or suspension of his or her registration. Subject to LR 11.4 (Vic), such person's registration shall be deemed to be cancelled or suspended (as the case may be) upon the Board so resolving.
- 11.4 If a registered person gives his or her registration certificate to a Steward or a member of the Board with an indication that the registered person wishes the registration to be cancelled or suspended, then the registration of that person shall be deemed to be cancelled or suspended (as the case may be) from the time that the registration certificate is given to the Steward or member of the Board.
- 11.5 Where a person's registration is cancelled or suspended pursuant to this Rule, the Board shall notify the person in writing of such cancellation or suspension.
- 11.6 No person who resides with any person who is Disqualified, Warned Off or declared to be a Defaulter shall be permitted to be or remain registered under these Rules unless otherwise approved by the Board and any existing registration is open to cancellation by the Board subject to re-registration with the Board's approval.

12 Owners, Trainers, Attendants

- 12.1 No person shall be granted registration as an Owner unless:
- (a) the person has attained the age of eighteen (18) years; or
 - (b) If the applicant is under the age of eighteen (18) years, the application for registration as an Owner is accompanied by an undertaking signed by the applicant's parent or guardian who is over the age of eighteen (18) years and such parent or guardian shall also for the purpose of these Rules be deemed to be a registered Owner.
- 12.2 No person shall be granted registration as a Trainer unless the person:
- (a) has attained the age of eighteen (18) years;
 - (b) has attained at least Certificate II (C2) accreditation or such other accreditation prescribed by the Board from time to time; and
 - (c) has done such other things as the Board may prescribe from time to time.
- 12.3 A person holding registration as a Trainer shall not be required to hold registration as Owner in respect of any greyhounds which he or she owns.

- 12.4.1 A person holding registration as a Trainer with Certificate II (C2) shall only be permitted to train greyhounds which are owned or part owned by the Trainer or by any registered person residing with the Trainer.
- 12.4.2 A person holding registration as a Trainer with Certificate III (C3) accreditation shall be entitled to train greyhounds owned by any registered person unless the Board otherwise advises.
- 12.5 No person shall be granted registration as an Attendant unless the person:
- (a) has attained the age of fourteen (14) years; and
 - (b) has attained at least Certificate I (C1) accreditation of the Racing Industry Training Package (Greyhounds) or such other accreditation prescribed by the Board from time to time; and
 - (c) has done such other things as the Board may prescribe from time to time.
- 12.6 No person shall be granted registration as a Catcher (CA) unless the person –
- (a) has attained the age of fourteen (14) years; and
 - (b) has done such things as the Board may prescribe from time to time.
- 12.7 No person shall catch a greyhound on raceday unless they are a licensed Catcher, Attendant or Trainer, save with the permission of the Steward-in-charge of the meeting.
- 12.8 Any Owner, Trainer, Attendant or other person who without reasonable excuse is found on the Premises of a Club outside of:
- (a) the normal hours approved by a Club for the conduct of a Meeting, Qualifying Trials or other trials; or
 - (b) such other official times as are approved by a Club,
- shall be guilty of an Offence.

13 Syndicates

- 13.1 Where a greyhound is owned by two or more persons the registration of such persons as Owners must be in the name of a Syndicate. (amended 1/1/14)
- 13.2 Application for registration as a Syndicate by Owners shall be made in such a manner, and they shall pay such fees, as may be prescribed from time to time by the Board.
- 13.3 Registrations as a Syndicate will be effective for such period as is nominated by the Board from time to time. Each Syndicate must comply with any requirements relating to renewal of registrations as specified by the Board from time to time.
- 13.4 The Board does not accept any liability or responsibility whatsoever for disputes arising between members of a Syndicate.

- 13.5 The Board may refuse to grant any application for registration or renewal of registration of a Syndicate and may cancel or Suspend any registration at any time, and for any reason.
- 13.6 Each Syndicate member is required to be registered with the Board as an Owner in accordance with these Rules.
- 13.7 Each Syndicate must immediately notify the Board in the form and manner prescribed by the Board from time to time of:
- (a) any proposed change in the composition of the membership of the Syndicate;
 - (b) any proposed change in the Delegated Person appointed by the Syndicate for the purposes of these Rules; and
 - (c) termination or other dissolution of the Syndicate.
- 13.8 Each Syndicate must nominate a Delegated Person who is entitled to and shall:
- (a) exercise on behalf of the Syndicate any powers which the Syndicate as Owner of a greyhound may exercise, including without limitation the sole power to nominate a greyhound for, or withdraw a greyhound from, an Event;
 - (b) receive any Prize Money payable to the Owner in respect of any greyhound raced by the Syndicate;
 - (c) be empowered to sign and execute documents on behalf of the Syndicate, including without limitation documents relating to change of ownership or naming of the greyhound;
 - (d) receive any document or notice required to be served under the Rules on any member of the Syndicate;
 - (e) be deemed to be authorised to act for or on behalf of all Syndicate members unless otherwise provided in the Rules; and
 - (f) otherwise act on behalf of the Syndicate in all matters.

The receipt by the Delegated Person of any Prize Money payable to the Owner shall be deemed to be complete satisfaction of the liability for payment or delivery of same.

The Delegated Person shall be appointed in writing and notified to the Board at or before the time when the Syndicate applies for registration.

- 13.9 Each Syndicate must nominate a person (the **“Second Delegated Person”**) who shall be empowered to act as the Delegated Person, in the event that the Delegated Person is unable to exercise any of their powers through absence, illness or other such circumstances.

The Second Delegated Person shall be nominated in writing and notified to the Board at or before the time when the Syndicate applies for registration.

The Board shall not be responsible or liable for dealing with the Second Delegated Person as opposed to the Delegated Person and is under no obligation or requirement to determine if the Delegated Person is available in circumstances where the Second Delegated Person is acting or otherwise involved. All acts of the Board may be carried out with the Second Delegated Person if the Board is unable to contact the Delegated Person after making reasonable efforts to do so.

- 13.10 The Board may, if it deems it necessary, interview or appoint a representative to interview the person nominated pursuant to LR 13.8 or 13.9 (Vic) to be the Delegated person or the Second Delegated Person respectively prior to granting or refusing registration to a Syndicate.
- 13.11 Except as otherwise determined by the Board, the Delegated Person or the Second Delegated Person respectively shall be deemed to be authorised to act for and on behalf of all current members of the Syndicate for the purposes of these Rules but all members of the Syndicate are liable for due observance of these Rules.
- 13.12 Any document or notice required to be served under these Rules on a member of a Syndicate shall be deemed to be served on such member if it is served on the Delegated Person or the Second Delegated Person respectively.
- 13.13 No greyhound owned by any syndicate shall be nominated for or be allowed to compete in any Event if any member of the Syndicate is undergoing a period of Disqualification, Suspension, Warning Off or is declared to be a Defaulter.

14 Studmasters and Breeders

- 14.1 Every Studmaster and Breeder must be:
- (a) registered with the Board;
 - (b) at least 18 years of age; and
 - (c) approved in accordance with the relevant competency requirements as specified by the Board in writing from time to time.

15 Bookmakers etc.

- 15.1 A person shall not act, nor shall a Club permit a person to act, as a Bookmaker, Bookmaker's Clerk or Bookmaker's course agent at any Meeting unless the person is registered pursuant to the provisions of the Act.
- 15.2 A Bookmaker, Bookmaker's Clerk and Bookmaker's course agent shall be subject to and bound by the provisions of the Act and these Rules.

16 Conditions of Grant of all Registrations

- 16.1 A person may apply for registration or renewal of registration for such periods as the Board prescribes from time to time. Unless the Board otherwise determines, registration shall automatically be cancelled if the Registered Person dies, or resides outside the State of Victoria for a period of ninety (90) days continuously.

- 16.2 Every Registered Person must produce his certificate of registration on a demand made by a Steward or other Officer of the Board.
- 16.3 A Registered Person shall notify the Board in writing of any change of address within three (3) days of such change. Without limitation, a Trainer shall so notify the Board immediately upon changing his or her place of residence or the location of his or her Kennels and the Board may at any time if it sees fit review his or her registration.
- 16.4 It shall be a condition of the grant of any application for registration that the applicant agrees to be bound by these Rules as may be amended from time to time.

PART 4: OPERATION OF GREYHOUND TRIAL TRACKS

17 Greyhound Trial Tracks and Managers

- 17.1 Application for registration of a Greyhound Trial Track shall be made in such manner, such fee shall be paid and such conditions complied with as may be prescribed from time to time by the Board.
- 17.2 Every application for registration of a Greyhound Trial Track shall specify one (1) natural person as its manager, who may be the proprietor of the Trial Track.
- 17.3 When the proprietor of a Greyhound Trial Track desires to appoint one (1) or more assistant managers of the Trial Track, notification shall be given to the Board in writing.
- 17.4 No person shall take part in the management of a Greyhound Trial Track unless the person is registered with the Board as the manager or as an assistant manager of that Trial Track.
- 17.5 A person who desires to register as a manager or an assistant manager shall make application in such manner and pay such fee as may be prescribed from time to time by the Board.
- 17.6 The Board may refuse to grant any application for registration made pursuant to this Rule and may cancel or suspend any registration.
- 17.7 The following conditions shall attach to the grant of registration in respect of any Greyhound Trial Track:
- (a) the Greyhound Trial Track shall be operated so as to comply with all applicable laws;
 - (b) unless otherwise approved by the Board, the Greyhound Trial Track shall not be used or open for use other than between the hours of 7 a.m. and 9 p.m. on any day;
 - (c) provision must be made so as to ensure that no greyhound transported to or from any Greyhound Trial Track is removed from or placed in any vehicle other than on the Greyhound Trial Track;
 - (d) the perimeter of the Greyhound Trial Track must be fenced in such a manner so as to prevent the escape of any greyhound; and

- (e) no nuisance or other condition liable to be dangerous to health or offensive shall be caused or permitted to suffer or to exist on a Greyhound Trial Track.
- 17.8 The Board may in granting any application for registration of a Greyhound Trial Track impose such additional conditions as it deems fit and may at any time afterwards by notice in writing served on the proprietor or manager revoke or vary such conditions or impose any further conditions.
- 17.9 The manager shall ensure at all times during the currency of registration of a Greyhound Trial Track that a copy of the registration certificate of that trial track is displayed so as to be clearly visible to all persons entering the land.
- 17.10 The Board shall keep a register in which shall be recorded the names and addresses of all Greyhound Trial Tracks and their respective managers and assistant managers.

18 Conditions of Operation

- 18.1 Any person who takes a greyhound to or permits any greyhound to be on a Greyhound Trial Track which is not registered with the Board in order that such greyhound be trialled or trained thereon, shall be guilty of an Offence.
- 18.2 The proprietor, manager and assistant manager of a Greyhound Trial Track which is operated otherwise than in accordance with its conditions of registration and these Rules shall be guilty of an Offence.
- 18.3 No Greyhound Trial Track shall be used or open for use unless its manager or assistant manager is present and engaged in the operation of that Trial Track.
- 18.4 No live animal other than a greyhound shall be used or caused to be used in any manner on any Greyhound Trial Track or surrounding area as defined by the Board.
- 18.5 Without derogating from the provisions of LR 18.4 (Vic), no person shall use or cause to be used any live animal as a lure for greyhounds or for the exciting of greyhounds on any Greyhound Trial Track or any other location.
- 18.6
 - (a) The Manager, assistant manager, proprietor, lessee or other occupier of a Greyhound Trial Track shall each be guilty of an Offence under these Rules if in any of the situations described in LR 18.4 occurs.
 - (b) A person shall be guilty of a Serious Offence if they breach LR 18.5.
- 18.7 No fee may be charged for the entry of any person or greyhound to a Greyhound Trial Track.
- 18.8 Unless otherwise approved by the Board, the award of any money, prize, trophy or other consideration in respect of any matter occurring on any Greyhound Trial Track is prohibited.
- 18.9 No person shall engage in betting on any matter occurring on any Greyhound Trial Track.

PART 5: GOBIS

19 Establishment and Administration of GOBIS

- 19.1 The Board may establish, alone or in conjunction with others, a scheme to be known as GOBIS to support and promote on a national basis the greyhound breeding industry in Victoria by paying or otherwise providing incentives or bonuses to Breeders and Owners of Victorian bred greyhounds and stud greyhounds standing in Victoria.
- 19.2 The Board may establish, conduct and administer GOBIS on such conditions as it thinks fit and may (unless the conditions otherwise provide) amend or add to the conditions of GOBIS without notice, and may also terminate GOBIS.

PART 6: CLUBS

20 Clubs - General

- 20.1 A Club shall not conduct any Meeting unless the Club is registered by the Board
- 20.2 The Board may refuse to grant the registration of a Club if it is of the opinion that such refusal is in the best interests of greyhound racing.
- 20.3 (a) The Board may grant or renew the registration of a Club on such conditions as the Board deems fit.
- (b) Without limiting LR 20.3(a) (Vic), as conditions of the Board granting or renewing registration or allowing a Club to retain its registration the Board may require:
- (i) the rules, regulations, by-laws, financial and operational records and other constituent documents of the Club comply with the Board's requirements as laid down from time to time;
 - (ii) the full and proper disclosure to the Board by the club of all financial and Operational Records of that Club; and
 - (iii) any proposed amendment, addition or deletion to the Club's rules, regulations, by-laws or other constituent documents be submitted to and approved by the Board prior to being submitted for the approval of members.
- 20.4 The Board may at any time cancel, or suspend for such period as it thinks fit, the registration of a Club if the Board is of the opinion that such cancellation or suspension is warranted. The Board shall notify the Club in writing of any cancellation or suspension of its registration.
- 20.5 Every application by a Club for registration or renewal of registration shall be made in such manner as the Board prescribes from time to time. When submitting to the Board its application for registration, a Club shall forward with such application a true copy of its rules, regulations, by-laws or other constituent documents, each certified as a true copy by the Secretary or other authorised Official of the Club.

- 20.6 An application for registration or renewal of registration of a Club for a forthcoming registration period shall be made on or before 1 May preceding the commencement of the registration period.
- 20.7 The Board shall keep a register in which shall be recorded the name of all Clubs registered by the Board.

21 Clubs - TABCORP Agreements

- 21.1 A Club shall take all action and provide all assistance considered by the Board to be reasonably necessary or desirable to enable the Board to fulfil its obligations under the TABCORP Agreements, including without limitation:
- (a) assisting the Board in the timely preparation of:
 - (i) the racing program as it relates to greyhound racing in Victoria;
 - (ii) the annual marketing program as it relates to the promotion of greyhound racing in Victoria;
 - (b) performing the racing program to the extent that it relates to the Club; and
 - (c) providing the Board with information in respect of all Events conducted by the Club.
- 21.2 A Club shall comply with all instructions and directions of the Board that the Board considers to be reasonably necessary or desirable to ensure that the Board is able to comply fully with its obligations under the TABCORP Agreements.
- 21.3 Notwithstanding any other Penalty which may be imposed on a Club or an Official, officer or employee of the Club pursuant to these Rules, if a Club does not so provide the information to the Board in accordance with the preceding provisions of this Rule, the Board may revoke the Club's registration or Suspend its registration for such period as the Board thinks fit.
- 21.4 For the purposes of this Rule the Board shall not be required to provide a Club with copies of the TABCORP Agreements.

22 Behaviour and Attire at Meetings

- 22.1 A Club shall ensure that all persons at a Meeting are suitably dressed and behave in accordance with a standard commensurate with the ideal of the betterment of greyhound racing as a public entertainment.
- 22.2 The Steward in Charge of a Meeting may require the manager of a Club to have removed from the Premises of a Club any person who is, in that Steward's opinion, not suitably dressed or who is intoxicated or behaving improperly.
- 22.3 (a) No person at a Meeting, including an Attendant, Owner or Trainer, may parade, handle or act as a catcher of a greyhound at the Meeting, unless such person is attired in the following prescribed clothing:
- (i) black or dark blue ankle length trousers;

- (ii) a collared white shirt or polo top (amended 1/1/14)
 - (iii) black or dark socks;
 - (iv) black shoes, boots or gumboots; and
 - (v) such other or alternate clothing as the Board may determine from time to time.
- (b) All clothing (including headwear) worn by any person parading, handling or acting as a catcher of a greyhound at a Meeting, must, in the opinion of the Steward in Charge of the Meeting, be inoffensive and appropriate for the requirements of the relevant activity.
- (c) The following items of clothing must not be worn at a Meeting by any person while that person is parading, handling or acting as a catcher of a greyhound at the Meeting;
 - (i) overalls or track pants of any description;
 - (ii) any item of denim clothing;
 - (iii) track shoes or high heeled shoes of any description; or
 - (iv) such other clothing as the Board may determine from time to time.
- (d)
 - (i) The Steward in Charge of a Meeting may direct that a person is in breach of this Rule (“**the infringing person**”). If such a direction is given, the infringing person must not parade, handle or act as a catcher of a greyhound for the remainder of the Meeting unless he or she can change his or her attire so that, in the opinion of the Steward in Charge of the Meeting, the person is no longer in breach of this Rule.
 - (ii) Any other person present at the Meeting may be nominated by a Steward or by the infringing person as a substitute to parade, handle or act as a catcher of the greyhound of the infringing person, provided that the nominated person is authorised, suitably experienced and is attired so as to not be in breach of this Rule.
 - (iii) If such a substitute person cannot be found, or if the infringing person does not consent to a Steward’s nomination for a substitute person, the greyhound of the infringing person must be scratched and the infringing person shall be guilty of an Offence.
- (e) For the avoidance of doubt, the Steward in Charge of a Meeting has absolute discretion to determine whether a person is in breach of this Rule.

PART 7: APPEALS

23 Appeals against Stewards' decisions

23.1 Any appeal against a Steward's decision in respect of an Offence made pursuant to these Rules is, subject to LR23.2 and the Act, to be heard and determined by the GRV RADB.

23.2

(a) Subject to the Act and LR 23.2(b), where the Stewards have imposed a Penalty in respect of any Offence on a person, Club or greyhound, the person, Club or the Owner or Trainer of that greyhound on whom the Penalty was imposed may within the time specified in section 83J(2)(b) of the Act (or such extended period granted by the GRV RADB pursuant to section 83L of the Act) of the Steward's decision, appeal against the decision that the Offence was committed, or the imposition of the Penalty, or both, to the GRV RADB.

(b) Subject to LR 23.2(c), where the Penalty imposed by the Stewards in relation to an Offence in relation to a person, Club or greyhound is:

i) a fine of \$250 or less; or

ii) a penalty which is not a suspension, disqualification or warning off,

the person, Club or the Owner or Trainer of that greyhound on whom the Penalty was imposed has no right of appeal to the GRV RADB.

(c) Notwithstanding LR 23.2(b), an appeal must be heard by the GRV RADB if the Racing Integrity Commissioner directs that such an appeal be heard by the GRV RADB in accordance with section 83K of the Act.

(d) The GRV RADB will hear and determine any matter referred to it by the Stewards or GRV pursuant to section 83C(d) of the Act.

(e) Pending the determination of an appeal, the Chairman or Deputy Chairman of the GRV RADB may order a stay of execution of the penalty appealed against subject to any terms or conditions that the Chairman or Deputy Chairman thinks appropriate. [GRV 1/6/10]

23.3 A notice of appeal to the GRV RADB must be in the prescribed form that is specified in the Regulations pursuant to section 83J(2)(a) of the Act from time to time.

23.4 Where:

(a) any Event comprises Qualifying Trials and/or heats and/or semi-finals (together "**preliminary races**") and a final;

(b) a greyhound during the running of a preliminary race is suspended pursuant to GAR69 or GAR71; and

- (c) the greyhound would otherwise be eligible to compete in the next preliminary race or the final (as the case may be) of the Event,

the Owner or Trainer of the greyhound may within the time specified in section 83J(2)(b) of the Act (or such extended period granted by the GRV RADB pursuant to section 83L of the Act) of the Steward's decision being made appeal against the Steward's decision to the GRV RADB.

23.5 The GRV RADB may, in its absolute discretion and subject to such conditions as it thinks fit, suspend in whole or in part the operation of the decision which is the subject matter of the appeal to the GRV RADB pending the determination of the appeal by the GRV RADB.

23.6 Any person who fails to abide by any decision of the GRV RADB on an appeal including any order imposing a Penalty or as to the refund of any Prize Money paid, shall be guilty of a Serious Offence.

23.7 Any person who:

- (a) wilfully insults, threatens or interferes with or obstructs any member of the GRV RADB or employee of the GRV in or in the vicinity of the place where the GRV RADB is to hear, is hearing, or has heard, an appeal or other hearing;
- (b) wilfully influences or attempts to influence any member of the GRV RADB, or employee of GRV or any party, witness or other person concerned in any way with an appeal or other hearing being heard or to be heard by the GRV RADB;
- (c) wilfully interrupts the hearing of an appeal or other hearing by the GRV RADB; or
- (d) misbehaves before the GRV RADB in any manner,

shall be guilty of a Serious Offence.

23.8 Without limiting any powers granted to GRV RADB pursuant to the Act, the GRV RADB may, whether at an initial hearing or at an appeal, impose all Penalties available to the Stewards or the Board pursuant to these Rules and the GAR's.

23.9 Any determinations, decisions or actions by the GRV RADB are deemed to be the actions of the Controlling Body for the purposes of the GAR's.

24 Review by VCAT of GRV RADB decisions

24.1 A Steward or a person whose rights are affected by a decision of the GRV RADB may apply to VCAT for review of that decision pursuant to sections 83OH of the Act, provided that an application for such review is made within the periods prescribed by section 83OI of the Act.

PART 8: PRIZE MONEY

25 Payment of Prize Money

25.1 In all races conducted in Victoria, unless GRV approves otherwise, any prize money that a greyhound may win will be allocated to the Owner and Trainer as follows:

Recipient	Allocation
Owner	50.0%
Trainer	50.0%

25.2 Any prize money of the Owner will be paid to the Trainer as agent for the Owner unless GRV decides otherwise.

25.3 All prize money will be paid by means of electronic funds transfer into the recipient's nominated account, unless GRV believes that special circumstances exist which justify a contrary payment method. [GRV 1.7.11]

PART 9: NOMINATIONS

26 Requirements

26.1 A greyhound shall only be nominated for an Event:

- (a) by its registered Owner or Trainer; or
- (b) in the case of the death of a registered Owner, when a new Owner of that greyhound is registered with the Board or the estate of the deceased is deemed by the Board to be the registered Owner, unless LR 29.3 (Vic) applies; and
- (c) in such manner as the Board prescribes from time to time.

27 Conditions of Acceptance of Nominations by the Board

27.1 It shall be a condition of the acceptance by the Board of a nomination in respect of a greyhound for any Event that:

- (a) only:
 - (i) a person registered with the Board the Trainer of the greyhound or a person so authorised by that Trainer; or
 - (ii) a person registered with the Board as the Owner of the greyhound or, in the case of a Syndicate, the Delegated Personmay submit a nomination;
- (b) at the time of submitting the nomination:

- (i) all persons associated with the greyhound and required pursuant to these Rules to be registered are the holders of current registration certificates;
 - (ii) all particulars in the nomination are correct;
 - (iii) the greyhound is eligible to be nominated for the Event in accordance with these Rules, and is not Suspended, subject to an order to undergo a Satisfactory Trial, or otherwise ineligible to be nominated;
- (c) the person submitting the nomination agrees to be bound by these Rules, the rules, regulations, by-laws or other constituent documents of the Club and the conditions applicable to the Event;
- (d) should the greyhound be selected to start in any Event, then if afterwards in any circumstances whatsoever:
- (i) the conditions of entry to the Event are changed;
 - (ii) the Event does not take place;
 - (iii) the greyhound is not permitted to compete in the Event for any reason including (without limitation) Disqualification, Suspension, or being subject to any order pursuant to these Rules to undergo a Satisfactory Trial; or
 - (iv) the greyhound suffers any injury or illness by reason of any matter occurring while the greyhound is on any ground controlled or administered by the Club or the Board,
- no liability shall lie as against the Club, the Board, or their respective servants and agents for any loss or damage howsoever sustained; and
- (e) there shall be no entitlement to any Prize Money until its payment has been authorised by the Steward in Charge of the Meeting.

27.2 The Board may permit a person submitting a nomination to withdraw that nomination prior to the closure of nominations.

27.3 Any greyhound in respect of which a nomination is withdrawn after closure of nominations but prior to boxdraw for any reason shall be prohibited from competing in any other Events for a period of ten (10) days from the date of the meeting.

28 Grading

28.1 The field in any Event shall comprise a maximum of eight (8) greyhounds, plus up to two (2) Reserve Greyhounds may be selected.

28.2 All nominations submitted in respect of a Meeting shall be considered by the Board grader who shall select, in the Board grader's absolute discretion, the greyhounds that shall comprise the field to compete in an Event, plus up to two (2) Reserve Greyhounds.

- 28.3 For the purposes of LR 28.2 (Vic), the following matters shall be taken into account in the selection process:
- (a) The Board grader and the Club may, from the nominations received for the Meeting and by such time as the Board allows, determine the types and distances of Events to be conducted at the Meeting. If in the sole opinion of the Board, there is no responsible official or employee available to determine the types and distances of Events by the appropriate time, then the Board may determine same.
 - (b) The Board grader and the Club may determine the order in which Events are to be conducted at the Meeting save that the Club may change the order as a result of the Box Draw.
 - (c) Where a Club receives insufficient nominations for a Meeting the Board may extend the closing time for receipt of nominations for the Meeting.
 - (d) The eligibility of a greyhound to compete in an Event shall be determined in accordance with the Rules.
 - (e) A nominee of the Club shall be entitled to be present when the Board grader selects the fields for the Meeting.
- 28.4 Notwithstanding that the nomination of a greyhound for an Event has been accepted, the Board grader may select the greyhound for any other Event of the same distance for which the greyhound is eligible to compete at the Meeting and the greyhound shall be deemed to have been nominated for the other Event, save that this Rule shall not apply for Events conducted by way of heats and a final.
- 28.5 The Board grader may, in his/her absolute discretion, deem that a greyhound is not suitable for an Event for which it has been nominated and may refuse the nomination.
- 28.6 Without limiting the Board grader's discretion pursuant to LR 28.5, in making a determination of a greyhound's suitability for an Event, the Board grader may consider any relevant factors in the particular circumstances, including (without limitation):
- (a) animal welfare issues; and
 - (b) the official race form.

PART 10: ELIGIBILITY OF GREYHOUNDS TO COMPETE IN EVENTS

29 Participation

- 29.1 No greyhound shall be allowed to compete in an Event unless:
- (a) its Owner and Trainer are registered with the Board;
 - (b) the greyhound has been nominated or is deemed to have been nominated for the Event in accordance with these Rules.

- 29.2 A greyhound shall not be eligible to compete in more than one (1) Event on any one (1) day, save that a greyhound may be permitted to compete in more than one (1) Event at a Coursing meeting or the Board may grant permission for a Club to conduct heats and a final where the heats and the final are to be conducted on the same day.
- 29.3 Any greyhound which is owned by any person who has died shall be eligible to compete in an Event which has been Box Drawn.

30 Hierarchy of Flat Events

- 30.1 The eligibility of a greyhound to compete in a flat Event shall be determined in accordance with the following hierarchy of Events (in ascending order):
- (a) A greyhound shall be deemed to be eligible for a Juvenile Event if the greyhound at the time of starting:
 - (i) is under the age of two (2) years as calculated from the last day of the month in which the greyhound was born, save that where a Juvenile Event is conducted by way of heats and a final, a greyhound shall be eligible to compete in the final if the greyhound is over the age of two (2) years at the time the final is conducted;
 - (ii) has not won a Race other than a Juvenile Race; and
 - (iii) has not won more than one (1) Juvenile Race at each of two (2) Victorian country tracks and/or one (1) Victorian metropolitan track.
 - (b) A greyhound shall be deemed to be eligible for a Maiden Event if the greyhound:
 - (i) at the time of starting, has never won a flat Race (except where the Race is a Coursing Event); or
 - (ii) in relation to a Maiden Event which consists of heats and a final, wins a heat or otherwise qualifies for the final and does not win another Race before the final is held, but a greyhound which has qualified for the final and wins another Race before the final is held is not eligible to compete in the final.
 - (c) A greyhound shall be deemed to be eligible for a Grade 5 Event if the greyhound is ineligible for a higher grade Event.
 - (d) A greyhound shall be deemed to be eligible for a Grade 4 Event if the greyhound has won a Grade 5 Event and is ineligible for a higher grade Event.
 - (e) A greyhound shall be deemed to be eligible for a Grade 3 Event if the greyhound has won a Grade 4 Event and is ineligible for a higher Grade Event.
 - (f) A greyhound shall be deemed to be eligible for a Grade 2 Event if the greyhound has won a Grade 3 Event and is ineligible for a higher grade Event.

- (g) A greyhound shall be deemed to be eligible for a Grade 1 Event if such greyhound has won a Grade 2 Event and is eligible to start from a Grade 1 mark in a Handicap Event.

30.2 Notwithstanding the hierarchy of Events as set out in this Rule:

- (a) A greyhound is eligible for a Mixed Grade Event if the greyhound is eligible for a Grade 5 Event or is eligible for a Grade 4 Event.
- (b) A greyhound is eligible for a Free For All Event if the greyhound is eligible for a Grade 4, Grade 3, Grade 2 or Grade 1 Event.
- (c) Where an Event contains only two (2) consecutive Grades of greyhounds, the Event shall be called a Mixed Stake.

31 Special Events

The Board may, if it deems fit, upon application being made to it in writing, grant permission to a Club to conduct an Event where special conditions apply restricting the eligibility of greyhounds to participate, and such Event shall be known as a Special Event.

32 Advancing Grades

- 32.1 Where a maiden Event is conducted by way of heats and a final, a greyhound which wins both a heat and the final shall at the conclusion of the final be advanced by one (1) grade only and shall thereupon be deemed to be eligible for a Grade 5 Event.
- 32.2 Where a juvenile Event is conducted by way of heats and a final, a greyhound which wins both a heat and the final shall be deemed to have won one (1) Event for the purposes of eligibility to compete in subsequent juvenile Events.
- 32.3 Where a Grade 5 Event is conducted by way of heats and a final, a greyhound which wins both a heat and the final shall at the conclusion of the final be advanced by one (1) grade for each win and shall thereupon be deemed to be eligible for a Grade 3 Event.
- 32.4 A greyhound which wins a Grade 5 or higher Grade Event shall be advanced one (1) Grade when it next competes in an Event of the same distance at the track at which it won. Where a greyhound other than a Grade 5 greyhound, is unplaced at that track in two (2) starts in a Race of the same distance to that of its last win at the track, it shall when it next participates in a Race of the same distance at the track, be lowered one (1) Grade.
- 32.5 Where a greyhound is adjudged to have dead-heated for first place, the greyhound shall be deemed have won the Event.
- 32.6 For the purposes of this Rule "**final**" includes a semi-final.

33 Events Conducted by way of Heats and Final

- 33.1 (a) Where an Event is conducted by way of heats and a final, the hierarchy of eligibility of a greyhound to compete in the final, being no more than eight (8) in number plus Reserves (if any), shall be determined from the heats in

accordance with their finishing order as determined by the judge pursuant to GAR61.

- (b) Where a dead heat is adjudged in a heat and as a result provides a number in excess of (8) and two reserves for the final, the determination shall be made first on the basis of finishing order, and then based on the measurement of finishing time for each subsequent placegetter. The greyhound/s that qualifies faster shall be considered ahead of the slower greyhound/s.
- (c) Where the determination of finishing order pursuant to LR33.1(b) still provides a number in excess of eight (8) plus reserves, the determination for the purposes of LR33.1(a) shall be made by ballot of the greyhounds that have qualified equally in accordance with GAR67.

33.2 Where a greyhound is selected as Reserve pursuant to this Rule, such greyhound shall be eligible to compete in another Event at the Meeting provided such greyhound is nominated for the other Event and/or is not required to compete in the final as a result of the Reserve Box Draw.

33.3 Where a greyhound which qualifies for a heat or final is Disqualified for any reason prior to the heat or final, the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) the greyhound that is subsequently declared to qualify for the heat or final shall replace the Disqualified greyhound in the heat or final (as the case may be); and
- (b) if the replacement greyhound replaces the Disqualified greyhound after the Box Draw, there shall be no redraw of boxes for the heat or final and the replacement greyhound shall start in the Box Drawn by the Disqualified greyhound.

34 Re-grading

34.1 Without derogating from and in addition to the provisions of LR 28.1:

- (a) where a greyhound is nominated to compete in an Event at a track where the greyhound has not previously participated, the greyhound may, at the discretion of the Board grader, be included in the field for any Event of the same distance at the Meeting; and
- (b) where a greyhound is nominated to compete in an Event at a track where the greyhound has not participated for a period of one (1) month or more, the greyhound may, at the discretion of the Board grader, be included in the field for any Event of the same distance at the Meeting.

PART 11: PRESCRIBED MANNER

35 Nominations

Nomination means the submission of an entry in respect of a greyhound for a meeting or an Event in accordance with a current applicable method and providing the information required by the Board.

36 Box Draw

36.1 The Box Draw for a Meeting shall be carried out as follows:

- (a) It shall open to the public;
- (b) It shall be random;
- (c) Unless otherwise authorised in writing by the Board or two Authorised Officers, it shall be conducted by means of a computer program approved by the Board;
- (d) The field for an Event shall first be determined by the grader or an Authorised Officer (“**Initial Field**”);
- (e) The Initial Field shall then be randomly allocated into a numerical sequence (“**Re-ordered Field**”);
- (f) Finally, the starting boxes shall be randomly allocated to the Re-ordered Field;
- (g) That random allocation of starting boxes shall comprise the Box Draw.

36.2 Where the Box Draw is conducted using a computer, a computer printout of the Box Draw shall be signed and dated by the person who operated the computer and by an Authorised Person to record that the Box Draw has been completed.

36.3 Where the Box Draw is not conducted using a computer:

- (a) it shall be conducted by at least two persons including at least one Authorised Officer;
- (b) it shall be conducted using a device provided by the Board for the purpose of the Box Draw; and
- (c) a record of the Initial Field, Re-ordered Field and the Box Draw and the time and date on which the Box Draw was conducted shall be signed by each of the persons conducting the Box Draw to certify compliance with this Rule.

36.4 The process used to perform the Box Draw shall be audited from time to time and the results of the audit reported to the Board.

36.5 Upon application from a Club, the Board may grant approval for a Box Draw to be conducted in an alternative method provided that the method approved is under the full supervision of a Steward or Approved Officer.

37 Timing of Events

- 37.1 For the purposes of GAR60 the timing shall be carried out by use of an electronic device or stop watch. The commencement of timing for an Event shall correspond with the release of the starting gate. The conclusion of timing for an Event shall be when the nose of the leading greyhound reaches the alignment of the winning post as projected across the track at an angle of ninety (90) degrees.
- 37.2 Notwithstanding GAR60, where the Steward in charge of a meeting is reasonably satisfied that the equipment in use for an Event enables a more precise unit of measurement than .01 of a second, the more precise unit shall be the basic unit of measurement for the purposes of the time of the Event and the times recorded for each greyhound running in the Event.

38 Satisfactory Trials

- 38.1 For the purpose of GAR71 and GAR72, the following conditions shall also be complied with where a greyhound is ordered to undergo a Satisfactory Trial:
- (a) The person authorised to supervise the Satisfactory Trial shall check the identity of the greyhound as corresponding with the Greyhound Certificate.
 - (b) The greyhound shall wear a race rug.
 - (c) Except in the case of a Satisfactory Trial under GAR40 and GAR76, no less than four (4) greyhounds inclusive of the greyhound undergoing the Satisfactory Trial shall compete in the Trial.
 - (d) The person authorised to supervise the Satisfactory Trial shall forthwith, upon completion of the Trial, submit a report in writing with the Board in the form required by the Board.
 - (e) If a greyhound is ordered to undergo a Satisfactory Trial on a circle track, and successfully completes that Satisfactory Trial on a straight track, it will be cleared for straight track racing only.
 - (f) If a greyhound fails to be cleared to race after undergoing three (3) successive Satisfactory Trials, such greyhound shall not be eligible to undergo further Satisfactory Trials for a period of 28 days from the date of its last Satisfactory Trial. [GRV 1.10.10]
 - (g) The person authorised to supervise the Satisfactory Trial shall weigh the greyhound prior to the Satisfactory Trial and record such weight in the records kept by the Controlling Body. [GRV 25.10.11]
- 38.2 For the purposes of GAR36, the Stewards shall not grant permission for a greyhound to wear blinkers in an Event unless the greyhound has performed a trial in blinkers to the satisfaction of the Stewards, and the provisions of paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (e) of LR 38.1 (Vic) shall (the necessary changes being made) apply to that trial.

39 Trials between Events

- 39.1 The Board may at any time permit greyhounds to run in a trial in between Events at a Meeting.
- 39.2 Without limiting LR 39.1 (Vic), any greyhound which runs in a trial in between Events at a Meeting shall be subject to the Rules as if the greyhound was running in an Event.

40 Veterinary Supplies

- 40.1 For the purposes of the Rules the prescribed pharmaceuticals, veterinary supplies and instruments shall be:
- (a) as published by the Board from time to time and notified to officiating Veterinary Surgeons;
 - (b) kept under lock and key by the Veterinary Surgeons; and
 - (c) kept in accordance with those procedures adopted and used by a reasonable Veterinary Surgeon and otherwise kept on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed from time to time by the Board and notified to officiating Veterinary Surgeons.

41 Racing appliances

- 41.1 A racing appliance shall mean any material, device or other item which may be authorised by Stewards to be worn or placed on a greyhound competing in an Event.
- 41.2 Subject to this Rule, a greyhound competing in an Event shall not wear a racing appliance unless the Owner or Trainer has obtained the prior permission of the Stewards to do so.
- 41.3 For the purposes of this Rule and GAR35 the Stewards may require a greyhound to perform a Satisfactory Trial with a racing appliance to the satisfaction of the Stewards before permission is granted for that greyhound to wear that racing appliance in an Event.

PART 12: WELFARE OF GREYHOUNDS

- 42.1 It is a Serious Offence if a person keeps a greyhound in conditions which are dangerous or detrimental to the health and safety of a greyhound.
- 42.2 A person shall not in the keeping of any greyhound cause or permit that greyhound to suffer in any manner on any premises owned or occupied by that person or permit any nuisance or other condition that is likely to be dangerous to the health or safety of that greyhound or which is otherwise offensive.
- 42.3 For the purposes of GAR106(3), the Board directs the last registered owner of that greyhound will be responsible for that greyhound and shall advise the Board if that greyhound is to be retired as a pet, a breeding greyhound, a GAP greyhound, or has been humanely euthanised by a veterinarian.

- (a) If the Board has been advised that a greyhound is retired as a pet, a breeding greyhound or a GAP greyhound, such greyhound shall be required to undergo a veterinary examination and perform a satisfactory trial Pursuant to GAR 71 & 72 and LRR 38.1 before and further nomination will be accepted.
[GRV 25.10.11]
- 42.4 (a) On the sale or disposal of an unnamed greyhound, the breeders or last registered owner must within ten (10) working days of the sale or disposal, notify the Board using the appropriate form of that occurrence.
- (b) A person who purchases or acquires the ownership of an unnamed greyhound must within ten (10) working days, notify the Board of the purchase or acquisition using the appropriate form of that occurrence.

PART 13: PENALTIES

- 43.1 For the purposes of GAR95(1)(a), the fine imposed for any one (1) Offence or one (1) Serious Offence shall not exceed four hundred (400) Penalty Units.

PART 14: PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

- 44.1 None of the Board, an Officer of the Board, a Club, a Veterinary Surgeon, or any other person shall be liable for any loss, damage or injury howsoever arising out of, or occurring during, any test, examination, taking of a specimen or autopsy carried out in accordance with the Rules or while the greyhound is in the possession of the Stewards.
- 44.2 Where a specimen is taken from any greyhound and where upon preliminary analysis a prohibited substance is found in the specimen, the following provisions shall apply:
 - (a) the Stewards shall notify the Owner and Trainer of the greyhound that a prohibited substance has been found in the specimen and GAR83 shall apply;
 - (b) where an Event is being, or has been conducted by way of a series of races and a final:
 - (i) the greyhound shall be disqualified from the race from which the specimen was taken and shall not be eligible to compete in any further race in the series or the final of the Event.
 - (ii) If the greyhound has competed in any further race in the series or the final of the Event, the greyhound is retrospectively disqualified from the race from which the specimen was taken and any further race in the series including that final and GAR64 and LR44(Vic) shall apply.
 - (iii) this rule is to have effect and to be conclusive irrespective of whether further testing procedures or other circumstances establish that the greyhound was presented for the race from which the sample was taken free of any prohibited substances.
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44.3 LR44.2 (b)(Vic) shall apply regardless of whether the greyhound had the prohibited substance in its system at the time it competed in any further race in the series, including the final.

44.4

- (a) Where a registered person is paid stake money or any other money for an Event, and the greyhound is subsequently disqualified for returning a positive swab result or for any other reason, the Board is entitled to seek the return of all money paid.
- (b) The Board will specify the time period (days) in which the stake money is to be repaid to GRV. The Board may elect to default a registered person for the failure to repay money by the due date.
- (c) Where the Board determines that a registered person must repay stake money and other money to GRV, the Board may advise the amended placegetters:
 - 1) that GRV will pay the amended place getters their full entitlement, adjusted for any payments previously received for the Event, and
 - 2) that the Board has assumed responsibility for the recovery of amounts under GAR64.

(amended 1/1/14)

44.5 For the purposes of these Rules and the GAR's, 3-Methoxytyramine is deemed to be an "Exempted Substance" in the definition of "Prohibited Substance" where the amount detected in urine is below 1.6 milligrams per litre. If 3-Methoxytyramine is detected in urine at or above 1.6 milligrams per litre in any greyhound, that greyhound is deemed to have an unusual or abnormal amount of an endogenous substance for the purposes of these Rules and for the purposes of the definition of "Prohibited Substance" in the GAR's.

OUT OF COMPETITION TESTING

44.6 The Board may declare in writing that a laboratory is an accredited laboratory for the purposes of these Rules and the GAR's from time to time.

PART 15: FEES

45.1 The Board may prescribe a fee in connection with any act, matter or thing provided for by the Rules or within its powers.

45.2 The Board may prescribe additional fees to apply where a prescribed fee is not paid within the time required by the Rules.

PART 16: NON-APPEARANCE AT INQUIRIES

- 46.1 Where a person or club is served with the notice of an inquiry in accordance with the GAR's but does not appear at the inquiry, the inquiry may proceed in the absence of that person or club.

PART 17: SERIOUS OFFENCES

- 47.1 The following Rules and GAR's, if breached, are deemed to be Serious Offences under these Rules and for the purposes of the Act:
- (a) GAR 83;
 - (b) GAR 86(c) to GAR86(f) (inclusive);
 - (c) GAR 86(g) to GAR86(l) (inclusive);
 - (d) GAR 86(m) & (n), where such conduct is in respect of a GAR or Rule that is a Serious Offence;
 - (e) GAR 86(o), except where such conduct was negligent only;
 - (f) GAR 86(p), (r), (s), (x), (y), (aa), (ac), (ae), (af), (ah) & (ai) [GRV 1.1.11]
 - (g) GAR 87;
 - (h) GAR 88;
 - (i) GAR 91;
 - (j) GAR 94;
 - (k) GAR 104(7);
 - (l) GAR 106(1) & (2);
 - (m) such other Rules and GAR's expressly stated as being Serious Offences; and
 - (n) such other Rules and GAR's deemed by the Board to be a Serious Offence (as the Board may declare in writing from time to time).
- 47.2 The Stewards or the Board may charge a person or Club with a Serious Offence in accordance with section 83M of the Act.
- 47.3 The GRV RADB is responsible for hearing and determining any Serious Offences in the first instance.
- 47.4 Hearings by the GRV RADB in the first instance will be conducted in accordance with section 83N of the Act and in accordance with any other procedures specified by the GRV RADB.
- 47.5 Without limiting section 83O of the Act, the GRV RADB may, in determining a Serious Offence:

- (a) order the refund of any Prize Money paid; and
 - (b) make any order as to the registration, breeding or kennelling of any greyhound.
- 47.6 Any person who fails to abide by any decision of the GRV RADB, including any order imposing a Penalty or requiring a refund of any Prize Money paid, shall be guilty of a Serious Offence.
- 47.7 Any conduct of a greyhound which gives rise to an Offence under these Rules or the GAR's is deemed to be an Offence applicable to the Owner and/or Trainer of that greyhound.
- 47.8 All decisions of the GRV RADB are final subject only to further rights of appeal as specified in LR 24.

PART 18: INVESTIGATOR

- 48.1 The Board may appoint a person to be an Investigator for the purposes of the Act by declaration in writing.
- 48.2 The Investigator may investigate matters in respect of the enforcement of, and compliance with, the Rules, and may perform such other functions as permitted by the Act.

PART 19: PRESENTATION OF GREYHOUND FOR RACING AND KENNELING TIME

- 49. For the purposes of GAR 31, a greyhound drawn for an Event shall be in the hands of the Stewards not later than 30 minutes before the advertised starting time of the first Event of the meeting or qualifying trial. [GRV 29/6/10]

PART 20: AUTOMATIC CANCELLATION OF A MARRING OR FAILING TO PURSUE ENDORSEMENT

- 50.1 For the purposes of GAR 70, where a greyhound has been previously recorded with a single endorsement for a breach of rule GAR 69 it shall be automatically removed from the greyhound's record, after competing in not less than ten (10) Events, excluding a course, without being subsequently endorsed for a breach of GAR 69.

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