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## **GRV Media Release - Amended registration requirements** for all participants

From 1 October 2017, Greyhound Racing Victoria will determine whether an applicant is a 'fit and proper person' before considering whether to register them as a participant.

New applications for registration received by GRV on or after 1 October 2017 will be assessed against the new 'fit and proper person' requirement.

All existing registered participants will also be required to disclose any relevant disciplinary or criminal matters which have occurred on or after 1 October 2017.

The change brings Victoria into line with racing codes in other states and territories.

Greyhound Racing Victoria CEO Alan Clayton said the introduction of a fit and proper person requirement was another step forward for Victorian greyhound racing.

"The overwhelming majority of people involved in Victorian greyhound racing are good, honest, hard-working people who are doing the right thing," Mr Clayton said.

"Introducing this requirement only further strengthens the standards GRV has in place to ensure people of the highest quality character and with the right priorities can be involved in greyhound racing in our state."

As part of assessing an application for registration, GRV will have to satisfy itself that an applicant is a fit and proper person for registration having regard to matters such as honesty, integrity, and character, and is not about physical fitness.

The Board must be satisfied that the applicant is "fit and proper" before the Board can approve a person's application for registration.

Every applicant who is at least 18 years old must provide the Board with a National Police Certificate and/or may be required to provide consent for GRV to obtain a NPC on the applicant's behalf as part of their application for registration.

Applicants will also be required to make declarations regarding all racing related disciplinary action taken against them, regardless of code.

Once registered, a person must continue to be a fit and proper person to maintain their registration. From 1 October 2017, all applicants will also have an obligation to proactively disclose any new disciplinary or criminal matters to GRV.

Further information can be found at: <a href="http://greyhoundcare.grv.org.au/rules-of-racing/">http://greyhoundcare.grv.org.au/rules-of-racing/</a>





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