

GREYHOUND RACING VICTORIA

2023 - 2024 VICTORIAN PROVINCIAL TRAINER'S PREMIERSHIP

CRITERIA GUIDELINES

1. The Victorian Provincial Trainer's Premiership (Premiership) will be awarded to the Victorian registered trainer who trained the highest number of first place wins in a full provincial stake money race, conducted at Victorian provincial tracks, during the racing year (1 July to 30 June).
2. Provincial Full stake money races do not include Tier 3, non-penalty, reduced stake money races, or any other similarly conducted events on country tracks or any metropolitan full stake events conducted at Victorian metropolitan tracks.
3. A trainer is not eligible for the Premiership, regardless of the number of wins in full provincial stake money races if the trainer has, during the racing year of the award:
 - a. been found guilty of a serious offence
 - b. had a greyhound return a positive swab to a prohibited substance
4. The GRV Board may, in its ultimate discretion, deem a Victorian registered trainer ineligible for the Premiership, regardless of the number of wins in full provincial stake money races, if the trainer:
 - a. has been charged with a serious offence that may, if substantiated, bring the sport of greyhound racing into disrepute, or
 - b. has been found guilty of an animal welfare offence and/or is subject of an animal welfare related investigation (such as an investigation into cruelty, abuse, or death) that may, if the investigation results in a charge being laid, bring the sport of greyhound racing into disrepute, or
5. Criteria 3 and 4 apply irrespective of whether an inquiry or appeal has been completed or is pending at the date of the determination of eligibility or the announcement of the Premiership.
6. An ineligible trainer cannot win the Provincial Trainer's Premiership.

Presentation of Award

7. The Provincial Trainers Premiership recipient will be announced, and the award will be presented at the Greyhound of the Year Award event.

Revocation

8. The Victorian Provincial Trainer's Premiership is awarded at the complete discretion of the Greyhound Racing Victoria Board and may be revoked by the Board.
9. The Board will automatically consider revocation of a Premiership if the Board forms the belief that a recipient has engaged in conduct that may bring discredit to the Premiership, Greyhound Racing Victoria, or the sport of Greyhound racing.
10. The Greyhound of the Year Panel may also seek revocation of the Premiership award by the Board if most of the Panel believe that the recipient has engaged in conduct which may bring discredit to the Premiership. The Panel will form its own view and make a recommendation to the Board as to whether the Panel believes the Premiership should be revoked.
11. In making its decision, the Board may consider any information including recommendations of the Panel, if any, and any information provided by the recipient. The decision of the Board is final.
12. If the Board revokes an award of the Victorian Provincial Trainer's Premiership, the recipient will be notified and must return the Premiership (including all components) as soon as practicable and not more than 30 days after receiving the notification.