# RACING AND GAMING

# RA301 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GREYHOUND RACING ASSOCIATION ACT 1981

## WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GREYHOUND RACING AMENDMENT RULES 1992

Made by the Association with the approval of the Minister.

# Citation

1. These rules may be cited as the Western Australian Greyhound Racing Amendment Rules 1992.

### **Principal** rules

2. In these rules the Greyhound Racing Rules  $1973^*$  are referred to as the principal rules.

[\* Published in the Gazette of 27 July 1973 at pp. 2863-2892. Erratum 17 August 1973 at p. 3078.]

#### Part XIV repealed and a Part substituted

3. Part XIV of the principal rules is repealed and the following Part is substituted —

#### PART XIV - RULES RELATING TO WEIGHT

#### Record of weights

142. (1) The Association shall maintain a record of the weights of all greyhounds that qualify for a race or are presented to compete in a race.

(2) The Association shall retain these records for a period of not less than 6 months from the date of such qualification or presentation.

#### Weight record card

143. (1) The Association shall issue a weight record card in respect of every greyhound which competes in a race unless the registration certificate of the greyhound has been endorsed to the effect that a weight record card has already been issued in respect of that greyhound.

(2) The weight record card shall be completed by a steward and shall show —

- (a) the name of the greyhound;
- (b) the weight of the greyhound at the time the card is issued; and
- (c) any further particulars as the Association may from time to time direct.

(3) A weight record card shall be issued to the registered person in charge of the greyhound to which it relates.

(4) A steward shall, at the time of issue of a weight record card endorse the registration certificate of the greyhound in the form determined by the Association.

- (5) Where
  - (a) a greyhound is disposed of; or
  - (b) the trainer of a greyhound is changed,

the weight record card is to be surrendered to the registered person in charge of the greyhound or to the Association.

#### Weight record card to be produced

144. (1) Where a weight record card has been issued in respect of a greyhound, the trainer of that greyhound may be liable to a penalty of \$50 if the weight record card is not produced on demand when the greyhound is presented to run in a race.

(2) In addition to any penalty imposed under subrule (1) the stewards shall —

- (a) where the greyhound's weight varies by more than 1 kg from its weight at its last official race start, order the greyhound to be withdrawn from the race in which it was drawn; or
- (b) where the greyhound's weight is within 1 kg of its weight at its last official race start, permit the greyhound to start in the race in which it was drawn.

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(3) Where a greyhound is permitted to start under subrule (2) (b) —

- (a) the greyhound's weight record card shall be presented to the stewards within 3 working days of the race; and
- (b) the greyhound will be ineligible to compete in any race until the weight record card has been presented to the stewards.

(4) The stewards shall submit a report detailing any action taken under this rule to the Association.

#### Application for replacement weight record card

145. (1) When a weight replacement card is lost, misplaced or destroyed the owner or trainer of a greyhound may apply to the Association for a replacement card.

- (2) An application under subrule (1) shall be
  - (a) in writing;
  - (b) accompanied by the fee set out in the Schedule; and
  - (c) accompanied by a statement, signed by the applicant, setting out the circumstances in which the weight record card was lost, misplaced or destroyed.

(3) After considering an application under this rule the Association may authorize the issue of a replacement weight record card.

#### Check weights

146. The Association shall provide —

- (a) scales for the weighing of greyhounds of a type approved by the Association; and
- (b) a 20 kg weight used to test the accuracy of the scales prior to the commencement of the weighing of greyhounds engaged at the meeting.

#### Accuracy tests

147. (1) The scales and weights referred to in rule 146 shall be tested for accuracy every 6 months by a Weights and Measures Inspector appointed under the *Weights and Measures Act 1915* and the certificate issued by the inspector shall be displayed adjacent to the scales.

(2) Before a greyhound is weighed at any race or qualifying trial meeting, the stewards shall cause the scales to be checked for accuracy in accordance with rule 146 (b) and, if any inaccuracy is noted, they shall take appropriate action.

(3) The stewards shall, if requested by the trainer or the authorized agent of the trainer of a greyhound presented to run in a race or qualifying trial, repeat the checking procedure for scale accuracy in the presence of the person making the request.

#### Weighing of greyhounds

148. (1) The recorded weight of a greyhound shall be the weight of the greyhound, recorded on the weight record card of that greyhound —

- (a) when the greyhound first qualified to be nominated for a race over any distance; or
- (b) at every appearance of the greyhound in a race.

(2) The Association shall ensure that —

- (a) all greyhounds presented to run in a race or a qualifying trial are weighed prior to being kennelled;
- (b) greyhounds are weighed without muzzles, leads, collars or other equipment; and
- (c) the weight of a greyhound produced to compete in a race is made public.

#### Excessive weight variations

149. (1) A greyhound shall not be permitted to start in a race for which it is drawn if its weight varies by more than 1 kg from its last recorded weight unless the greyhound is eligible for a reweighing under rule 150.

(2) The trainer of a greyhound that is not permitted to start in a race under subrule (1) will be fined \$50 and the greyhound stood down for 10 days.

#### Reweighs

150. (1) The trainer of a greyhound may apply in writing or otherwise to a steward for a reweighing of a greyhound.

(2) An application under subrule (1) shall state clearly the reasons why the trainer considers the greyhound should be reweighed.

(3) An application under this rule shall not be granted within a period of 4 weeks of the date of the last recorded weight on the weight record card for the greyhound.

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#### Schedule amended

4. The Schedule to the principal rules is amended by inserting after "Transcript — 50c per folio." in the item headed "Other Charges:" the following —

" Application for renewal of weight record card ..... 5 ".

The Western Australian Greyhound Racing Association.

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Approved by the Minister for Racing and Gaming.