

PROHIBITION ON KEEPING ANIMALS ON PREMISES WHERE GREYHOUNDS ARE KEPT



The *Greyhound Racing Act 2017* prohibits the keeping of any animal that is reasonably capable of being used as a lure in connection with greyhound trialling, training or racing on premises where greyhounds are kept. Keeping of parts of animals, skins or carcasses is also prohibited.

The *Act* permits the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission (GWIC) to make an exemption order allowing a participant to keep such animals. However, no exemption order can be made for the keeping of possums or rabbits. Exemption orders relating to the keeping of other animals may be granted on application to GWIC.

These requirements commence on 1 July 2018. From 1 July, GRNSW will no longer require participants to complete the Animal Declaration Form.

Instead, from 1 July 2018 registered greyhound racing industry participants who keep other animals must apply for an exemption order from the Commission. Participants who have previously lodged an Animal Declaration Form with GRNSW and still keep the animals declared should apply for an exemption order by 30 April 2019 to allow time for processing before 30 June 2019. An application may be lodged by a participant, or by the owner of the premises where greyhounds are kept, or by employees or contractors such as farm workers.

An Animal Declaration Form provided to GRNSW will no longer be valid to the extent that the Declaration included possums or rabbits. Participants who keep these animals should contact GWIC for guidance.

Participants who have not previously submitted an Animal Declaration Form to GRNSW will need to apply for an exemption order as soon as possible after 1 July 2018.

This form asks an applicant to specify the nature and number of animals kept on the property where greyhounds are present, and the purpose for which these animals are kept.

Animals 'kept' on premises does not include native or other wild animals that may be naturally present on premises, but do include native animals permitted under a native animal keeper licence issued by NSW Environment and Heritage.

An application for an exemption order will be considered on its merits by GWIC. GWIC may inspect the premises to verify the information provided in an application for an exemption order.

GWIC is committed to working with industry participants to make transition to the new scheme as smooth as possible.

KEEPING OF ANIMALS ON PREMISES WITH GREYHOUNDS EXEMPTION ORDER APPLICATION FORM



Section 41 (1) of the *Greyhound Racing Act 2017* states that a person must not, on any premises at or on which greyhounds are kept, trialed, trained or raced, keep any animal that is reasonably capable of being used as a lure in connection with the trialling, training or racing of greyhounds. Section 41 (2) states that the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission may, on application by any person, make an exemption order authorising the person to keep an animal of the kind specified in the order. An exemption order cannot specify possums or rabbits.

Personal details

Title

Mr

Mrs

Ms

Other

Full name

Telephone number/s

Home

Work

Fax

Mobile

Email

Address of premises where greyhounds are kept

Address

Suburb/town

State

Postcode

Type of premises (e.g. Residential property, Farm, public facility)

Details of domestic animals kept on premises (if applicable)

Animal type

(e.g. Cat, dog)

Number of animals

Identification

(i.e. microchip no., if applicable)

Any other relevant information

(i.e. where is animal kept in relation to greyhounds)

Details of animals kept on premises for rural or agricultural purposes (if applicable)

Animal type

(e.g. Cat, dog, poultry, sheep)

Size of property

Any other relevant information

(i.e. where is animal kept in relation to greyhounds)

Are greyhounds trained at this property?

Yes

No

Is there greyhound training infrastructure at this property?

Yes

No



Declaration

I declare that all information I have provided in this application is true and correct. I understand that disciplinary action and/or a prosecution may be taken against me if I provide information to the GWIC that is false or misleading.

Signature

Date

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Please submit this completed form to GWIC:

- By email to **registration@gwic.nsw.gov.au** (applications lodged by email must be paid by credit card)
- By post addressed to: GWIC, PO Box 718, Bathurst NSW 2975
- In person at: Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission, Level 1, 230 Howick Street, Bathurst NSW 2795

If assistance is required with your application, please contact GWIC Customer Service team on 1800 951 755 or email **registration@gwic.nsw.gov.au**.