

GREYHOUND WELFARE & INTEGRITY COMMISSION NOTICE OF INQUIRY

Date of inquiry:	12 May 2022
Decision-makers:	Director Race Day Operations & Integrity, Wade Birch Legal Officer, Annalese Summerson-Hingston and Director Compliance, Policy & Legal, Matthew Tutt.
Name of relevant person:	Mr Randall Walter

INQUIRY

The Commission received Whelping Notice L1-0550 on 15 September 2021 relating to the whelping from the greyhound 'Cut Foot' ("**the Greyhound**"). Mr Walter submitted the Notice and stated the registered Breeder was Mr Daniel Zahra and the pups were being kept at Mr Walter's registered kennel address, despite him not holding a Breeder registration. The Commission subsequently commenced an investigation and convened a panel to look into the circumstances around the location of the Greyhound and her litter.

The panel held an inquiry via Microsoft Teams with Mr Walter and took evidence and submissions from Mr Walter in relation to the matter. The decision makers also reviewed documentary evidence including transcripts of interviews, vet records and other material.

Upon reviewing all of the evidence and submissions, the decision makers were satisfied that Mr Walter acted in the welfare interests of the Greyhound and her litter and that it did not warrant any further action being taken by the Commission. Accordingly, the panel concluded the inquiry with no further disciplinary action taken.

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