



GREYHOUND WELFARE & INTEGRITY COMMISSION
DISCIPLINARY ACTION DECISION

Date of decision: 12 February 2026

Decision-makers: Senior Steward Kevin Adams, Steward Maddison Watson and Steward Stephanie Richards

Name of relevant person: Ms Katie Power

Date: 4 November 2025

Rule no: 156(a)

Charge(s): Ms Power did something, which in the opinion of the Controlling Body constitutes an offence, by contravening the Greyhound Racing Rules

Plea: Guilty

Disciplinary action taken: To issue a 2 Year Disqualification
With the disqualification period to commence Thursday 12 February 2026 and expire 12 February 2028

INVESTIGATION:

1. Ms Power was, at all relevant times, greyhound racing industry participant.
2. On 20 October 2025 Ms Power was issued a direction to resume custody of a greyhound in her ownership within 14 days. Ms Power failed to comply with this direction, and the greyhound was subsequently deemed to be abandoned as per Local Rule 22A of the Greyhound Racing Rules.

DECISION:

3. On Friday 2 January 2026 Ms Power was issued with a notice of charge and proposed disciplinary action ("**Notice**").
4. In the Notice issued on 2 January 2026 the decision makers charged Ms Power with an offence under Rule 156(a) of the Greyhound Racing Rules, which reads:

Rule 156(a)

An offence is committed if a person (including an official):

(a) contravenes any of the Rules

5. The Notice invited Ms Power to attend a hearing at which time she would have the opportunity to enter a plea and make submissions in relation to the Charge and proposed penalty.
6. On Thursday 15 January 2026 Ms Power attended a hearing held via Microsoft Teams. During the course of the hearing Ms Power entered a plea of guilty to the charge. The hearing was adjourned to allow further submissions and evidence to be provided.
7. On 19 January 2026 Ms Power provided further submissions in writing to the decision makers.
8. In considering the matter, decision makers considered Ms Power's plea and submissions, as well as all available evidence. The decision makers found the charge proven and took the following disciplinary action against Ms Power:

Charge – Rule 156(a) – To issue a 2 year disqualification

With the disqualification period to commence Thursday 12 February 2026 and expire 12 February 2028

9. In taking this disciplinary action, the Commission considered all relevant material and evidence, including:
 - Ms Power's guilty plea (25% reduction);
 - Ms Power's verbal and written submissions;
 - Ms Power's personal and professional circumstances; and
 - Principles of general and specific deterrence and what message is sent to the industry in respect to such conduct.

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