

**GREYHOUND WELFARE & INTEGRITY COMMISSION**  
**DISCIPLINARY ACTION DECISION**

**Date of decision:** 30 March 2026

**Decision-makers:** Senior Steward Zane Turner, Acting Chief Steward Paul Van Gestel and Steward Jason Hodder

**Name of relevant person:** Denis Solomon

**Rule no(s):** Rule 21(1)(d)

**Charge(s):** **Charge 1 – R21(1)(d)**  
Mr Solomon failed to ensure a greyhound in his custody was provided with veterinary attention when necessary.

**Charge 2 – R21(1)(d)**  
Mr Solomon failed to ensure a greyhound in his custody was provided with veterinary attention when necessary.

**Plea:** **Charge 1 - Guilty**  
**Charge 2 – Not Guilty**

**Disciplinary action taken:** **Charge 1 – 27-month disqualification**  
**Charge 2 – 21-month disqualification**  
with the penalties imposed for Charge 1 and Charge 2 to be served cumulatively;  
with the net effect being a 48-month period of disqualification from the industry; and  
with the period of disqualification to commence on 30 March 2026 and to expire at midnight on 29 March 2030.

**DECISION:**

1. Mr Solomon was, at all relevant times, a registered Owner Trainer with the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission.
2. On Thursday 17 July and Friday 18 July 2025 Officers of the Controlling Body conducted a kennel inspection at Mr Solomon’s registered kennel address (“**Property**”). During the inspection of the Property the Officers observed breaches of the GWIC Greyhound Racing Rules (“**Rules of Racing**”).

3. On Tuesday 17 March 2026 Mr. Solomon was issued a Notice of Charge and Proposed Disciplinary Action (“**Notice**”). In the Notice, the decision-makers issued Mr. Solomon with two charges under the Rules of Racing which read:

**R21(1)(d), Greyhound Racing Rules**

**R21(1):** A person must ensure that any greyhound in the person's care or custody, is at all times provided with:

...

(d) veterinary attention when necessary;

4. The Notice invited Mr. Solomon to attend a hearing on 30 March 2026 at which time he would have the opportunity to enter a plea and make submissions in relation to the charges and proposed penalties.
5. On 30 March 2026, the decision-makers heard the matter via Microsoft Teams. During the course of the hearing, Mr. Solomon entered a plea of guilty to Charge 1, and a plea of not guilty to Charge 2. Mr. Solomon also made verbal submissions in respect of the proposed disciplinary action.
6. Following consideration of Mr. Solomon’s pleas and submissions, the decision-makers found the charges proven and determined to impose the following disciplinary action upon him:

**Charge 1 Rule 21(1)(d) –** To issue a disqualification of 27 months

**Charge 2 Rule 21(1)(d) –** To issue a disqualification of 21 months

with the penalties imposed for Charge 1 and Charge 2 to be served cumulatively;

with the net effect being a 48-month period of disqualification from the industry; and

with the period of disqualification to commence on 30 March 2026 and to expire at midnight on 29 March 2030.

7. In taking this disciplinary action, the decision-makers had regard to all relevant evidence and material, including:
  - Mr. Solomon’s guilty plea to charge 1 entitling him to a 25% discount on penalty, and not guilty plea to charge 2;
  - Mr. Solomon’s disciplinary history, with no similar offences or like prior offences;
  - Mr. Solomon’s verbal submissions made at the hearing;

- Mr. Solomon’s personal circumstances;
- The principles of general and specific deterrence;
- The Commission’s Penalty Guidelines; and
- The objective seriousness of the offence

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