



GREYHOUND WELFARE & INTEGRITY COMMISSION
DISCIPLINARY ACTION DECISION

Date of decision: 1 May 2026
Decision-maker: Senior Steward Zane Turner, Acting Chief Steward Paul Van Gestel and Acting Senior Steward Ben Boyce-Mortlock
Name of relevant person: Julie King
Track: N/A
Date: Various
Rule no.: 156(x), 156(h), 164(a)
Charge(s):

Charge 1 – Rule 156(x)

Not Proven

Charge 2 – Rule 156(h)

Ms Julie King did a thing which, in the opinion of the Controlling Body, constitutes an offence, by failing to comply with a lawful order of a Steward.

Charge 3 – Rule 164(a)

Ms Julie King did a thing which, in the opinion of the Controlling Body, constitutes an offence, by making a false statement in relation to or during an investigation.

Charge 4 – Rule 164(a)

Ms Julie King did a thing which, in the opinion of the Controlling Body, constitutes an offence, by making a false statement in relation to or during an investigation.

Plea: Not guilty to all charges

Disciplinary action taken:

Charge 2 (Rule 156(h)): To issue a 20-month disqualification

Charge 3 (Rule 164(a)): To issue a 20-month disqualification

Charge 4 (Rule 164(a)): To issue a 20-month disqualification

With Charges 3 and 4 be served concurrently, and that the penalty for Charge 2 be served cumulatively with Charges 3 and 4.

The period of disqualification will commence on 1 May 2026 and expire on 1 September 2029.

INVESTIGATION

1. Ms Julie King was, at all relevant times, a registered Public Trainer and Breeder Whelpers with the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission.
2. On Saturday 19 April 2025 Ms King attended the Potts Park Greyhound Club for the purpose of racing greyhounds. During the meeting Stewards alleged that Ms King permitted a person, other than a registered person, to handle greyhounds in her custody. During a subsequent Stewards Inquiry Ms King knowingly made a false or misleading statement.
3. On Wednesday 23 April 2026, Officers of the Controlling Body attended Ms King's registered kennel address. During the inspection Ms King failed to comply with a lawful order of a person authorised by the Controlling Body with official duties in relation to greyhound racing. Ms King further knowingly made a false or misleading statement.

DECISION:

4. On Friday 12 December 2025, Ms King was issued with a notice of charge and proposed disciplinary action ("**Notice**"). In the Notice, the decision makers charged Ms King with four offences under the Greyhound Racing Rules, which read:

Rule 156(h), Rules

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

...

(h) disobeys or fails to comply with a lawful order of a Controlling Body, the Stewards, or another person authorised by a controlling body with official duties in relation to greyhound racing.

Rule 156(x), Rules

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

...

(x) being a registered person or person associated with greyhound racing, associates with a disqualified or warned off person for the purposes of greyhound racing

Rule 164(a), Rules

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

...

(a) makes a false or misleading statement in relation to or during an investigation, inspection, examination, test or inquiry (or at any other disciplinary process, hearing or appeal proceeding) or makes or causes to be made a falsification in a document in connection with greyhound racing or the registration of a greyhound;

5. The Notice invited Ms King to attend a hearing on Monday 19 January 2026, at which time she would have the opportunity to enter a plea and make submissions in relation to the charges.
6. On Wednesday 14 January 2026 decision makers consented to adjourning the hearing to a future date. On Thursday 9 April decision makers rescheduled the hearing to Monday 20 April 2026.
7. On Monday 20 April 2026, Ms King attended a hearing held via Microsoft Team where Ms King:
 - Entered a plea of not guilty to all charges;
 - Entered written submissions; and
 - Provided verbal submissions

8. Following consideration of Ms King’s plea and submissions, decision makers found Charge 1 to be not proven. Decision makers found Charges 2, 3 and 4 to be proven. Decision makers provided Ms King with a Notice of Proposed Penalty, which outlined the penalties that they were considering imposing in relation to the offences. Ms King was invited to make submissions in respect of the proposed penalties to the offences.
9. Following consideration of Ms King’s submissions in respect of the proposed penalties, decision makers determined to impose the following disciplinary action upon her:

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10. In taking this disciplinary action, the decision makers considered all the material and evidence before them, including:
- Ms King’s pleas to the charges;
 - Ms King’s registration and disciplinary history
 - Principles of specific and general deterrence; and
 - The objective seriousness of the offences

.....End.....