



Registrar

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Changes to Licensing requirements with the Greyhound Racing Authority came into effect for new applications from 1 February and for existing licenses as from 1 July 2004.

Please read the following information carefully. However, I will summarise the changes that affect current licensed Owners and Syndicate/Confederacy.

Owners and Syndicate/Confederacies are registered not licensed. Fees are no longer charged for registration as an Owner or the registration of a Syndicate/Confederacy.

An Owner and members of a Syndicate/ Confederacy cannot train a greyhound to race or handle greyhounds at race meetings or trials.

A licensed Public Trainer must train greyhounds owned by a registered Owner.

If you are a spokesperson/manager of a Registered Syndicate/Confederacy and want to train greyhounds owned by the registered Syndicate/Confederacy you must be licensed as an Owner/Trainer or a Public Trainer.

If you are a registered Owner or member of a registered Syndicate/Confederacy and want to handle greyhounds at race meetings or trials you must be licensed at least as an Attendant. Copy licenses for Syndicate/ Confederacy members will not be issued.

Over the next few months we will be writing to the Manager of every Syndicate/ Confederacy licensed with the GRA (Qld) to provide the necessary forms to enable members to become licensed where necessary.

Please do not hesitate to telephone us if you are unclear about the changes and we will be happy to explain them to you.

Owner Registration

An application for registration as an Owner must be completed and lodged with the GRA (Qld). A person under the age of eighteen is not eligible to register as an Owner. A registration fee is not applicable.

A National Police Certificate is not required, unless requested by the GRA.

Registered Owners are not licensed to train greyhounds for any race or handle greyhounds at any race meeting or trial. A licensed Public Trainer must train greyhounds owned by a registered Owner.

In the case of a greyhound owned by a registered Owner and registered for Stud duties the greyhound must be kennelled with a licensed Studmaster and the appropriate Authority to Breed registered with the GRA.

Brood bitches, litters and greyhounds not currently being trained for racing may be kennelled at the property of the Owner.

Syndicate/Confederacy Registration

Syndicate/Confederacy registration is issued when 2 or more (maximum 10) people own a greyhound. The members must nominate a Manager/ Spokesperson.

Members may also appoint the Manager/ Spokesperson as an agent to act on their behalf. If an agent is appointed the Authority will require only the agent's signature when lodging forms with the GRA. A person under the age of eighteen is not eligible to register as a member of a Syndicate/Confederacy.

An application for registration as a Syndicate/ Confederacy must be completed and lodged with the GRA (Qld). A registration fee is not applicable. A National Police Certificate is not required unless requested by the GRA.

Syndicate/Confederacy members are not licensed to train greyhound for any race or handle greyhounds at any race meeting or trial.

If the Manager/Spokesperson of a registered Syndicate/Confederacy is not a licensed Owner/ Trainer then a licensed Public Trainer must train greyhounds owned by the registered Syndicate/ Confederacy. In the case of a greyhound owned by a Syndicate/Confederacy and registered for Stud duties the greyhound must be kennelled with a licensed Studmaster and the appropriate Authority to Breed registered with the GRA.

Broodbitches, litters and greyhounds not currently being trained for racing may be kennelled at the property of the Syndicate/ Confederacy Manager/ Spokesperson, or with the approval of the Authority at the property of another Syndicate/Confederacy member.