

The Greyhound Welfare & Integrity Commission employs inspectors who carry out compliance, investigation and enforcement functions under the *Greyhound Racing Act 2017*, the *Greyhound Racing Regulation 2018*, the NSW Greyhound Welfare Code of Practice and the Greyhound Racing Rules.

Animal Welfare

Animal welfare is a focus of kennel inspections to ensure greyhounds receive the appropriate level of care, their food and housing is adequate, and equipment and facilities are suitable.

Kennel requirements

- Clean, insulated and comply with the current Code of Practice,
- Prevent the transmission of infectious diseases,
- Raised beds that are cleaned regularly,
- Prevent the escape of greyhounds,
- Be at least 3.5 square metres,
- Not have any sharp edges that could cause injury,
- Display good hygiene practices, and
- Have adequate ventilation.

Exercise yards

- Clean and free of hazards.

Greyhound health

Greyhounds must;

- have access to clean, fresh drinking water,
- be provided with regular good quality food,
- receive daily exercise,
- be monitored daily to check that they are in good health,
- be treated regularly for internal and external parasites, and provided with veterinary treatment when necessary.

Other areas and equipment

- Equipment and facilities used for the training and education of greyhounds is suitable and well maintained,
- Vehicles and trailers used to transport greyhounds are well maintained, clean and don't cause injury or distress to greyhounds,
- Treatment records are up to date and include all medical treatments, vaccinations, antiparasitics and supplements added to food. Anything other than food must be included in the treatment records,
- All veterinary prescribed medications have a label from the treating veterinarian.

Important Reminder

Under the *Greyhound Racing Act 2017*, animals that are capable of being used as a lure in the training, trialing or racing of Greyhounds are prohibited to be kept at those premises unless an exemption order has been approved by the Commission.

The Commission may not approve exemption orders for rabbits or possums.

Questions?

Please contact us if you have any questions or would like to request an inspection by calling the Registration & Welfare Team on 13 49 42.