

# **BETTING AND BOOKMAKERS RULES**

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# BETTING AND BOOKMAKERS RULES

## PART 1: BOOKMAKERS ETC.

### 1 Standards

1.1 A Club shall ensure that:

- (a) all betting on greyhound Events is conducted in accordance with these Rules; and
- (b) all Bookmakers, Bookmakers' Clerks and Bookmakers' Course Agents operating at a Meeting are appropriately dressed and behave in accordance with standards commensurate with the ideals of:
  - (i) upholding Bookmaking as a profession; and
  - (ii) of the betterment of greyhound racing.

1.2 The Steward in Charge of a Meeting may require the Secretary of the a Club to prohibit from acting as a Bookmaker, Bookmakers' Clerk or Bookmakers' Course Agent (as the case may be) at a Meeting, any person who, in his opinion, is not appropriately dressed or not behaving in accordance with the standards set out in BBR 1.2.

### 2 Inspection

Any Officer of the Board may:

- (a) require any Bookmaker, Bookmakers' Clerk or Bookmakers' Course Agent to produce for inspection:
  - (i) any certificate, licence or authority issued to him pursuant to the provisions of the Act or any regulations under the Act; or
  - (ii) any betting ticket whether written out or not; or
  - (iii) any betting books or other documents relating to betting transactions including any race book, card, paper or thing used to record any betting transaction in the possession or control of such Bookmaker, Bookmakers' Clerk or Bookmakers Course Agent; and
- (b) inspect any such certificate, licence, authority, ticket, book, document or thing and at his discretion impound or take any extracts from same.

### 3 Betting Boards

3.1 A Bookmaker making bets at a Meeting shall:

- (a) have a betting board on which shall be exhibited conspicuously his name, the names of each greyhound in the Event and the price quoted in respect of each such greyhound; and
  - (b) subject to BBR 3.2 display his betting board continuously during the period commencing the "All Clear" signal is given prior to the scheduled starting time of the first Event until fifteen (15) minutes after the completion of the final Event unless permission to do otherwise has been granted by the Bookmakers' Supervisor.
- 3.2 During the period commencing from the time of the start of an Event and concluding three (3) minutes afterwards, a Bookmaker shall not be required to hold out that he is prepared to take a bet, but he must then conspicuously display a "Not Set" sign at or near the top of the betting board.

## **PART 2: BETTING RULES**

### **4 General**

- 4.1 Any Bookmaker betting at the premises of a Metropolitan Club offering odds against a greyhound shall be compelled to lay such odds if demanded by a backer, but the Bookmaker shall not be compelled to lose more than \$600 in any bet.
- 4.2 Any Bookmaker betting at the premises of a Country Club offering odds against a greyhound shall be compelled to lay such odds if demanded by the backer, but the Bookmaker shall not be compelled to lose more than \$300 (or such other amount as may be approved by the Board in respect of a specific Country Club) in any bet.
- 4.3 Where a Bookmaker takes a bet he shall deliver to the backer a ticket on which is written or printed:
- (a) on the top part of the face of the ticket, the name or the initial letters of the greyhound(s) against which the bet was made;
  - (b) on the centre part of the face of the ticket, the full amount of the bet for a win; and
  - (c) on the bottom part of the face of the ticket, the full amount of the bet for a place or a distinct X to indicate that no place bet was made at the time.
- 4.4 If credit bets are accepted, the onus is on the Bookmaker to record particulars of the bet and the full name of the backer at the time the bet was made.
- 4.5 If a backer seeks to make a bet without stating the name of the greyhound, the bet must be made on the basis of the odds displayed at the time the bet is accepted by the Bookmaker.
- 4.6 When a backer makes a bet with a Bookmaker he must have the possibility of winning; in other words, the backer cannot lose if he cannot win.
- 4.7 All betting made with a Bookmaker on an Event declared to be a "no race" shall stand unless:

- (a) the Event is abandoned in which case all bets shall be refunded; or
  - (b) more than one (1) greyhound is subsequently withdrawn prior to the restart of the Event in which case all bets shall be declared off and fresh betting shall take place.
- 4.8 Where the Steward in Charge of the Meeting declares that bets made with a Bookmaker on a greyhound are off, all bets shall be refunded and the backer shall have no claim save as to the return of the money invested by him.
- 4.9 Bets shall be declared off by the Steward in Charge of the Meeting:
- (a) in relation to a particular greyhound when it is ordered to be withdrawn from an Event, or declared to be a non-starter, or the greyhound is disqualified from the Event prior to the "All Clear" signal being given;
  - (b) in relation to all greyhounds when the Event is declared to be a "no race" and abandoned, or more than one (1) greyhound is ordered to be withdrawn from the Event, or the Steward in charge of the Meeting is of the opinion that a corrupt practice likely to affect the result of the Event or notification of the result of the Event has occurred.
- 4.10 A bet may be declared off by mutual consent of the backer and the Bookmaker.
- 4.11 Where at the time that a bet is attempted to be made there are not more than two (2) greyhounds scheduled to compete in the Event:
- (a) place betting is prohibited; and
  - (b) concession betting is prohibited.
- 4.12 Where at the time that a bet is attempted to be made the Event is completed, all betting is prohibited.
- 4.13 All bets are Play or Pay save as provided for in these Rules.
- 4.14 The finishing order in an Event as declared by the judge at the time the "All Clear" signal is given shall be the basis for determining whether or not a bet is a winning bet.
- (a) The following are winning bets by a backer:
    - (i) a win or concession bet was made on a greyhound placed first;
    - (ii) a place bet was made on a greyhound placed first, second or third where eight (8) greyhounds competed in the Event; and
    - (iii) a place bet was made on a greyhound placed first or second where not less than three (3) nor more than seven (7) greyhounds competed in the Event.

- (b) The following concession bets are not winning bets but the backer is entitled to a refund of his bet:
- (i) where the greyhound backed is placed second or third and eight (8) greyhounds competed in the Event; and
  - (ii) where the greyhound backed is placed second and not less than three (3) nor more than seven (7) greyhounds competed in the Event.

## 5 Payments and Deductions

- 5.1 Except as otherwise provided in these Rules, the Bookmaker shall immediately on presentation of a winning betting ticket by a backer, pay the full amount of the bet.
- 5.2 Where a greyhound is withdrawn from an Event after betting on it has commenced, the Steward in Charge of the Meeting shall:
- (a) cause an announcement to be made of the withdrawal together with an order that all Bookmakers must immediately underline all bets made prior to that announcement; and
  - (b) make a declaration as to the rate of deduction to be made by a Bookmaker from the full amount of a bet required to be paid to the backer of a winning or placed greyhound in accordance with the relevant deduction schedules following:

### DEDUCTION SCHEDULE - WIN BETTING

Odds on offer of withdrawn greyhound	Amount in the dollar to be deducted from winning ticket
15.00 or over	No deduction
13.00	6 cents
11.00	8 cents
10.00	9 cents
9.00	10 cents
8.00	11 cents
7.00	12 cents
6.50	13 cents
6.00	14 cents
5.50	16 cents
5.00	18 cents
4.50	20 cents
4.00	22 cents
3.80	23 cents
3.50	25 cents
3.20	27 cents
3.00	30 cents
2.80	32 cents
2.50	36 cents
2.20	40 cents
2.10	42 cents
2.00	45 cents

1.90	48 cents
1.80	50 cents
1.70	54 cents
1.60	57 cents
1.50	60 cents
1.40	65 cents
1.30	68 cents
1.20	72 cents

#### DEDUCTION SCHEDULE - PLACE BETTING

Odds on offer of withdrawn greyhound	Amount in the dollar from the winnings * only – 8 runners	Amount in the dollar from the winnings * only – 7 runners
13.00 or over	No deduction	No deduction
11.00	3 cents	5 cents
9.00	4 cents	6 cents
8.00	4 cents	6 cents
7.00	5 cents	8 cents
6.00	5 cents	8 cents
5.50	6 cents	9 cents
5.00	7 cents	10 cents
4.50	7 cents	11 cents
4.00	8 cents	13 cents
3.50	9 cents	14 cents
3.20	10 cents	15 cents
3.00	11 cents	16 cents
2.80	12 cents	18 cents
2.50	13 cents	20 cents
2.20	15 cents	22 cents
2.10	16 cents	24 cents
2.00	17 cents	25 cents
1.90	18 cents	28 cents
1.70	20 cents	30 cents
1.60	21 cents	32 cents
1.50	22 cents	33 cents
1.40	24 cents	36 cents
1.30	25 cents	37 cents
1.20	27 cents	41 cents

#### DEDUCTION SCHEDULE - CONCESSION BETTING

Odds on offer of withdrawn greyhound	Amount in the dollar from winnings* only
15.00 or over	No deductions
13.00	8 cents
11.00	9 cents
10.00	10 cents
9.00	11 cents
8.00	12 cents
7.00	14 cents
6.50	15 cents
6.00	16 cents

5.50	18 cents
5.00	20 cents
4.50	23 cents
4.00	25 cents
3.80	26 cents
3.50	28 cents
3.20	30 cents
3.00	33 cents
2.80	36 cents
2.50	40 cents
2.40	42 cents
2.20	44 cents
2.10	47 cents
2.00	50 cents
1.90	53 cents
1.80	56 cents
1.70	60 cents
1.60	64 cents
1.50	67 cents
1.40	73 cents
1.30	75 cents

\*No deduction shall be made from the stake of the backer of the winning or placed greyhounds.

5.3 Where a greyhound is withdrawn after betting on an Event has commenced a Bookmaker shall pay the full amount of any bet on a winning or placed greyhound made prior to compliance with an order under BBR 5.2(a), less a deduction at the rate declared pursuant to BBR 5.2(b).

## **6 Dead-Heats**

6.1 Where a greyhound is adjudged to have dead-heated for first place, the backer of the greyhound shall be paid as follows:

- (a) in respect of a win bet, a sum equal to the full amount of the bet divided by the number of greyhounds adjudged to have dead-heated;
- (b) in respect of a concession bet, his stake plus a sum equal to the Bookmaker's stake divided by the number of greyhounds adjudged to have dead-heated.

6.2 Where a greyhound is adjudged to have dead-heated for third place the backer of the greyhound shall be paid as follows:

- (a) in respect of a place bet, a sum equal to the full amount of the bet divided by the number of greyhounds adjudged to have dead-heated;
- (b) in respect of a concession bet, a sum equal to the amount of his stake divided by the number of greyhounds adjudged to have dead-heated.

6.3 Where either or both greyhounds in a winning double Event bet is adjudged to have dead-heated, the backer shall be paid a sum equal to the full amount of the bet divided by the number of greyhounds adjudged to have dead-heated.

## **7 Doubles Scratchings**

7.1 A Double Event bet made at a Meeting where both Events are conducted is voidable where:

- (a) the greyhound backed for the first leg of the Event is withdrawn;
- (b) the greyhound backed for the second leg is withdrawn before the first leg is completed.

7.2 When the greyhound backed for the first leg of a Double Event bet wins and the other greyhound named in the bet is withdrawn after the completion of the first leg, the backer shall be paid as follows:

- (a) odds equivalent to the dividend for a win paid by the totalisator, where TABCORP is operating an off-course totalisator on the first leg; or
- (b) at the starting price issued by the Club, where the TABCORP is not operating an off-course totalisator on the first leg.

## **8 Betting Disputes**

Where a dispute arises between a backer and a Bookmaker in relation to a bet and either party desires the mediation of the Bookmaker's Supervisor, such party shall immediately make an application for mediation to the Bookmaker's Supervisor.