## Greyhourd CODE OF PRACTICE

# Key Concepts: Code of Practice for Keeping of Racing Greyhounds

All greyhound racing participants will need to become familiar with some key Code of Practice concepts.

#### The Greyhound and its activities

The Code covers the activities of a racing greyhound which, as per the Code, covers a greyhound from its whelp date through rearing, education, training, racing, boarding, breeding - essentially it covers the overall welfare of the greyhound until it retires from racing.

### **The Establishment**

- Is a property, or part of a property (particularly where a property is used by more than one participant) where racing greyhounds are kept, which
- May have more than one participant user, meaning that responsibilities under the Code might be shared or divided.

### The Person in Charge

- Is responsible (even if others assist them) for:
  - ensuring the health and welfare of all greyhounds kept at the Establishment
  - identifying and writing the Protocols that apply to their Establishment in the Establishment Health Management Plan, and

- the management of the Establishment, which includes the greyhounds in their care and,
- keeping Records.
- If there is only one person responsible for the management of the Establishment; this is the Person in Charge, but
- If responsibilities are shared or divided between users, there may be more than one Person in Charge.

### The Establishment Health Management Plan

- Is the collection of Protocols that describe how an Establishment is managed and how greyhounds are cared for, and
- Is the responsibility of the Person in Charge to complete, maintain and implement.

#### Records

• The Person in Charge needs to prepare and maintain a variety of Records (such as staff rosters, signed vet agreements and individual greyhound records).

If you have any questions relating to the Code, you can call the GRV helpline on 1300 144 360 and leave a message or submit an enquiry via the online form at greyhoundcare.grv.org.au/codeof-practice. All participants should start thinking about these concepts and how they could apply to your circumstances.

If you share a greyhound property, you should talk to the other occupiers about how, or if, Code responsibilities will be shared or divided. You will also need to understand the impacts, if any, on the Person in Charge and protocols required for an Establishment & Health Management Plan.



