

more than one grade higher or lower from the original grade as a result of schooling and reclassification.

- (3) The winner of any graded race shall advance one grade until reaching Grade A.
- (4) The winner of a maiden race shall be advanced for its next race no higher than Grade D.
- (5) Greyhounds which finish farther back than third, three consecutive times while in the same grade, shall be lowered one grade.
- (6) In Grade D, if the option of Grade E is not applicable, should a greyhound fail to finish first, second, third, or fourth in four consecutive starts, then such greyhound shall be taken off for a period of 30 days. At the end of the take-off period, the greyhound must be schooled at least two times if it is to be entered in a Grade D race again. If the greyhound re-qualifies, it may be placed back in Grade D. If the greyhound then fails for a second time to finish first, second, third, or fourth in four consecutive starts, it shall be dropped from further racing at that race meeting. When Grade E is applicable, this rule does not apply. In these cases, if a Grade D greyhound fails to finish first, second, third or fourth in four consecutive starts, it will be lowered to Grade E.
- (7) A greyhound that has advanced from Grade M and has been dropped from further racing without winning another official race may be re-qualified after a period of 30 days. Upon re-qualification, the greyhound shall be placed in Grade E by the racing secretary.

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ARCI-017-030 Entries

- (1) Every person entering a greyhound or participating in any way in any race or racing under these rules shall accept these rules upon all questions.
- (2) Any failure to comply with any of these rules may be punished by a fine or suspension or both, and if any objection because of such default is duly made and sustained against a greyhound that has run in a race, its winnings in that race shall be forfeited and the purse redistributed by the judges. Such redistribution shall in no way affect the pari-mutuel payout for the race.
- (3) The racing secretary shall receive all entries and declarations for all races.
- (4) Every entry for a race must be made in writing and shall state the name of the registered owner, lessee or his/her kennel name. The full name of every person having an ownership in a greyhound or accepting the trainer's percentage, or having

any interest in its winnings, must be registered with the racing secretary before the start of any race meeting, and every change in the ownership or interest made thereafter during that meeting must also be registered with the racing secretary, who shall immediately deliver copies to the Commission.

- (5) A greyhound shall not be permitted to enter or to start unless all of its owners are licensed and it is under the care of a licensed trainer.
- (6) Any person having an interest less than the interest or property of any other person in a greyhound is not entitled to assume any of these rules, including the right of entry, declaration and the like.
- (7) Joint nominations and entries may be made by any one or more of the owners and/or trainers. However, all partners shall each be jointly and severally liable for all fees and forfeits.
- (8) Any person who knowingly fraudulently attempts to establish the identity of a greyhound or its ownership shall be subject to the same penalty as the owner.
- (9) The racing officials may require any person in whose name a greyhound is entered to produce proof that the entered greyhound is not the property either wholly or in part of any person who is ~~disqualified~~ for any reason is ineligible to be licensed or participate in this jurisdiction and/or to produce proof of the extent of his/her interest or property in the greyhound.
- (10) No greyhound under the age of 16 months shall be eligible to be entered in any official race.
- (11) No greyhound shall be permitted to start that has not been fully identified.
- (12) A greyhound shall not be qualified to run in any race unless it has been and continues to be duly entered for the same; and unless otherwise specified by the conditions of a race, or disqualified by violation of racing rules, any greyhound eligible at the time of entry shall continue to be qualified.
- (13) No ineligible greyhound shall be allowed to enter or to start in any race.
- (14) No greyhound on the schooling list or the veterinarian's list shall be eligible to enter or to start in any race on which pari-mutuel wagering is offered.
- (15) A greyhound shall not be qualified to be entered or to start in any race if owned in whole or in part or is under the control, directly or indirectly, of a ~~disqualified~~ person who for any reason is ineligible to be licensed or participate in this jurisdiction.
- (16) Any entry received from any person or of any greyhound that stands suspended shall be voided and the entrance fee paid, if any, shall be refunded. Any money or prize won under said entry shall be immediately returned.
- (17) The greyhound entry into a race shall be free unless otherwise stipulated in its conditions. If the conditions require an entrance fee, it must accompany the entry.
- (18) A person entering a greyhound is liable for the entrance money or stakes.

- (19) The association shall be liable for the money due if it allows a greyhound to start in a race without the entrance fee(s) having been paid.
- (20) Entrance money is not refunded on the death of a greyhound or its failure to start.
- (21) An entry in a stakes race is a nomination which cannot be withdrawn.
- (22) A person making an erroneous stakes nomination or entry shall be liable for stakes and forfeitures under the nomination. A greyhound shall not start in a stakes race unless any stakes or entrance money due for that race has been paid by the nominator or has been guaranteed by the association.
- (23) The nomination of an entry shall survive the death of the nominator.
- (24) An entry of a greyhound in a stakes is a nomination to the stakes and the nominator is liable for stakes and forfeits, but should he/she transfer the entry, he/she is liable only in case of default to the transferee. Similarly, the seller of a greyhound with engagements is liable for stakes or forfeits if the engagement is not kept.
- (25) A nominator is liable for the entrance money or stakes and the death of a greyhound or a mistake in its entry when eligible, does not release the nominator or transferee from liability for stakes.
- (26) Entries which have closed shall be immediately compiled and conspicuously posted by the racing secretary.
- (27) No entry or transfer shall be considered complete until it is approved by the judges.
- (28) There shall be at least seven greyhounds of different ownership entered in all purse races, unless otherwise authorized by the commission. No trainer or owner shall have more than two greyhounds in any race with the exception of stakes or feature races without the approval of the Commission. In all other purse races, the following conditions shall apply:
 - (a) no double entries shall be allowed until all single interests are used and double entries shall be uncoupled for wagering purposes; and
 - (b) the racing secretary may use a double entry without the permission of the trainer when no single entry is available.
- (29) Entries for stakes races with previously published conditions shall close at the time advertised in such publication, and no entry shall be received after that time. However, additional time may be granted by the racing secretary and approved by the Commission in any such race which fails to fill as scheduled.
- (30) The racing secretary shall determine the starters for a race if the number of entries to any stakes race is in excess of the number of greyhounds that may be permitted to start because of course limitations.
- (31) The association shall have the right to withdraw or change the conditions of any unclosed race.

- (32) Entrance and declarations for a stakes race which close during or on the eve of racing meets shall close at the office of the racing secretary who shall make provisions therefor unless other notice is given. Closing for stakes races at all other times shall be at the business office of the association.
- (33) Entries and declarations for a stakes race cannot be received after the hour designated for closing. However, if an hour is not designated, they may be mailed, transmitted by facsimile machine or telephoned up to midnight of the day of closing, provided they are received in time for compliance with every other condition of the race.
- (34) If an error pertaining to any entry or declaration in a stakes race is alleged, satisfactory proof of such must be presented prior to any qualifying races or the draw.
- (35) Every greyhound entered in an official race must be started unless the greyhound is withdrawn or scratched.
- (36) The entrance money, starting and subscription fees, in every race shall go to the winner unless otherwise provided in the conditions of the race. However, when a race is not run, all stakes or entrance money shall be refunded.

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ARCI-017-035 Withdrawals and Scratches

- (1) The withdrawal of a greyhound is irrevocable and shall only be made by its trainer.
- (2) A withdrawal shall be made to the racing secretary or his/her assistant at least one-half hour before the time designated for the drawing of post positions, or at such time as the racing secretary may appoint.
- (3) To scratch a greyhound entered in a race, sufficient cause must be given to satisfy the judges. All scratches and the cause must be reported immediately to the board of judge(s).
- (4) Greyhounds that have been scratched from an official start may be required by the association or the judges to satisfactorily complete an official schooling race prior to being re-entered for an official race.
- (5) If three or more greyhounds are withdrawn or scratched in any one race, the judges may cancel the race.
- (6) The judges may scratch a greyhound entered in a race for not being present for weigh-in at the appointed time or for other sufficient cause(s).
- (7) The judges may impose a penalty on the person responsible for causing the scratch if it could have been prevented by exercising reasonable care.

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