

ARCI-013-075 Lead-Outs

- (1) Lead-outs shall not be considered officials for purposes of these rules, however, lead-outs shall be properly trained by the association in the scope and proper performance of their duties before working official races.
- (2) The greyhounds shall be led from the paddock to the starting box by one lead-out per greyhound during official schooling races and official purse races, unless otherwise approved by the judges.
- (3) A licensed lead-out shall lead the greyhounds from the paddock to the starting box. Owners, trainers or attendants shall not be allowed to lead their own greyhounds.
- (4) Lead-outs shall be assigned to post position by the paddock judge before each race and a record thereof shall be maintained.
- (5) ~~The lead-out must put the assigned greyhound in its proper box before the race and then retire to his/her designated post during the running of the race. The lead-out will adhere to the starting box loading procedure and swiftly proceed to occupy the post assigned to him/her during the running of the race.~~
- (6) Lead-outs are prohibited from holding any conversation with the public or with one another, either in the paddock, en route to the starting post or while returning to the paddock.
- (7) Lead-outs shall be attired in clean uniforms, present a neat appearance and conduct themselves in an orderly manner.
- (8) Lead-outs are prohibited from smoking, drinking beverages, other than water, or eating unless on duly authorized breaks and in a designated area.
- (9) No lead-out shall be permitted to have any interest in the greyhounds racing for the association.
- (10) Lead-outs are prohibited from wagering on the result of any greyhound racing at the racetrack where they are assigned.
- (11) Lead-outs shall immediately report any infirmities or physical problems they observe in greyhounds under their care to the nearest racing official for communication to the paddock veterinarian.
- (12) Lead-outs shall not remove racing blankets until the greyhounds are accepted by licensed kennel representatives at the conclusion of the race.

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