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TASMANIAN GREYHOUND RACING – WIND-DOWN & RETIREMENT PROCESS

Tasracing Integrity Unit (TIU) reminds all trainers, owners and participants of their obligations under the ***Tasmanian Greyhound Rules of Racing*** to maintain accurate kennel records, and provide fully completed wind-down, retirement and kennel notifications within required time-frames (i.e. 48 hours for a kennel notification and 10 days for a retirement)

Stewards will review these records at kennel inspections. Penalties will apply for any rule breaches relating to incorrect notifications or failures to notify of transfers or retirements within required time-frames.

NO OLD FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED - Please ensure you have the correct form.
FORMS MUST BE FULLY COMPLETED or they will not be accepted.

WIND-DOWN PROCESS

If a greyhound has not raced in 6 months, or the greyhound has suffered a significant injury/other mishap preventing it from racing in the future, a wind-down/retirement process should be considered.

To wind-down a greyhound, the following must be FULLY COMPLETED and submitted to TIU Operations:

- STEP 1: A [WIND-DOWN NOTIFICATION](#) form.

The 28-day wind-down period cannot commence until the [WIND-DOWN NOTIFICATION](#) form has been received and accepted (via email) by TIU.

- STEP 2: A [WIND-DOWN RECORD](#) must be completed during the 28-day wind-down, documenting all genuine and daily efforts and socialise the greyhound.
- STEP 3: The [WIND-DOWN RECORD](#) must be submitted to TIU Operations no less than 30-days after the 28-day wind-down period has been completed.

RETIREMENT PROCESS

Once the 28-day wind-down has been completed and [WIND-DOWN RECORD](#) processed by TIU, the greyhound can be retired. Greyhounds can be retired to Greyhound As Pets (GAP), an Adoption Agency), a 3rd Party as Pet, Owner/Trainer.

To retire a greyhound, the following must be FULLY COMPLETED and ALL submitted to TIU Operations:

- Greyhound [RETIREMENT NOTIFICATION](#) form
- Desexing certificate
- The ID card or Naming Application form must also be posted to TIU Operations.

The [WIND-DOWN RECORD](#) must already have been submitted to TIU Operations no less than 30-days after the 28-day wind-down period has been completed. If not received, the [WIND-DOWN RECORD](#) must be completed before the greyhound can be retired.

Participants with a non-retired or retired greyhound on their property can expect a TIU kennel inspection/audit every 6-12 months.

GREYHOUND WIND-DOWN AND RETIREMENT PROCESS IN DETAIL

All requirements for a greyhound's wind-down and retirement can be found in the Tasmania Greyhound Rules of Racing, under specific Local Rules (LR's)

*Under **LR22.5(i)** greyhounds to be retired for breeding or retired from the industry in Australia are required to undergo a wind-down period which will be no less than 28 days. The **owner** of the greyhound must notify the TIU of the commencement of a wind-down period by submission of the 28-day greyhound wind-down notification form. A greyhound that is drawn or nominated to race must complete that engagement **PRIOR** to the wind-down notification being processed.*

This is a period of at least 28 days during which the owner must ensure that the greyhound will not engage in any racing related activities and that a record of all efforts to socialise this greyhound will be kept under **L22.5(i)(a)** and **(b)**.

The 28-day period cannot commence until a WIND-DOWN NOTIFICATION form has been received and accepted by TIU.

The WIND-DOWN NOTIFICATION and WIND-DOWN RECORD forms can be found online at via [Greyhound - Wind-down Notification + Record.pdf](#)

NOTE: OLD FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Please use the above link to ensure you have the correct form.

WIND-DOWN NOTIFICATION FORM REQUIREMENTS

The WIND-DOWN NOTIFICATION form must be completed with all relevant details, the greyhound's details, the owner/s details and details for wind-down period as to who is responsible for the greyhound during the wind-down period should they be different to the owner/s with dates and signatures. If the greyhound is owned by a syndicate or a partnership group, the manager of the syndicate/partnership group should sign the form on behalf of all owners.

'Person Responsible' is the person who will have the greyhound in their possession and will be responsible for the greyhound during the wind-down period.

NOTE: The details on the WIND-DOWN NOTIFICATION form will **act as a kennel notice** for the greyhound coming under custody of the Responsible Person.

Greyhound wind-down notification

(Including Greyhounds to be Retired for Breeding or Retired from the Industry in Australia)

Greyhound details

GREYHOUND'S NAME:	EAR BRAND:	COLOUR:	SEX:	LAST RACE DATE:
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

MICROCHIP NO.:

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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SIRE:	DAM:	COUNCIL REGISTERED WITH:	COUNCIL REG. NUMBER:
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Does this Greyhound have any pending Nominations and/or Engagements*: ☐ Yes ☐ No

*Any Wind-down period cannot commence until such time as the Greyhound no longer has any pending nominations or engagements.

WIND-DOWN RECORD

The WIND-DOWN RECORD is located on the last page of the WIND-DOWN NOTIFICATION FORM.

This record under **L22.5(i)(b)** is a requirement for all greyhounds once a 28-day wind-down notification has been received and accepted by TIU. This record documents *the genuine and daily efforts made to socialise the greyhound to non-training and non-racing settings and environments. such details are to be recorded within 48 hours of the activity being undertaken.*

The 'Responsible Person' is responsible for completing the WIND-DOWN RECORD.

- The WIND-DOWN RECORD must be submitted to TIU no less than 30-days after the 28-day wind-down period has been completed.

Race Name																													
Pet Name																													
Earbrand																													
Microchip																													
28 Day commencement date																													
Activity		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Walks	Busy road																												
	To a Park																												
	High people volume area																												
	With other breeds of dogs																												
	Other:																												
Introductions	Adults																												
	Children																												
	Other Breeds of Dog																												
	Cats																												
	Birds																												
Other Experiences	Time inside house/lounge																												
	Break routine out of kennels																												
	Stairs																												
Handling - resource guarding	Handle while eating																												
	remove food bowl when eating																												
	Handle - feet, tail etc																												
	Car training																												
Final Comments																													

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct record of the activities undertaken to socialise the greyhound to non-training and non-racing settings and environments.

Signed: Date:

REQUIREMENTS DURING WIND-DOWN PERIOD GOING INTO RETIREMENT

During the wind-down period under **L22.5**, *actions must be undertaken by an owner to find a suitable long-term home for their greyhound into retirement.* These include:

- WIND DOWN RECORD - to record the genuine and daily efforts made to socialise the greyhound to non-training and non-racing settings and environments, such details are to be recorded within 48 hours of the activity being undertaken. This is a responsibility of the 'Responsible Person'.
- Desexing – The owner or person responsible for the greyhound at the time of retirement must ensure that the greyhound has been surgically sterilised by a veterinarian before allowing the greyhound to leave their care and custody.
 - **(L24)** *Every greyhound retired as a pet must be surgically sterilised by a veterinarian prior to being retired as a pet or placed with a rehoming/adoption agency and a copy of the de-sexing certificate must be lodged with the TIU, except where the greyhound is admitted into the Greyhound Adoption Program Tasmania (GAP) or a veterinarian after examining the greyhound certifies, to the satisfaction of the TIU, that being surgically sterilised would be detrimental to its welfare.*

After the end of the wind-down period, a greyhound can be retired to:

- Greyhound As Pets (GAP) Tasmania
- Other suitable animal adoption or rehoming agency
- An appropriate third party who can ensure the welfare and well-being of the greyhound
- The owner or trainer

Evidence of rehoming requirements - **(L22.10)** *An owner must keep detailed records of their compliance with (L22.5), and provide records and evidence kept under this rule to the TIU on request.*

NOTE: If a greyhound is retired to an owner/trainer, the greyhound must be desexed and will remain bound to all Local Rule requirements.



Greyhound Retirement Preparation Scheme

The purpose of the GRPS is to support the efforts of racing participants to rehome greyhounds, support compliance with mandatory desexing requirements and optimise greyhound health. The GRPS will provide a reimbursement towards the cost of desexing, dental treatment, vaccination and pre-anaesthetic blood tests for greyhounds to be retired.

For more information and instructions on how to apply, go to the Tasracing website: [Greyhound Retirement Preparation Scheme](#)

RETIREMENT NOTIFICATION

Under **LR22.1**, the owner or person responsible for the greyhound at the relevant time must notify the Controlling Body where the greyhound is domiciled in writing: (a) within 10 days, if that greyhound has been retired as a pet, been transferred to an adoption program, been exported or surrendered to another agency. Once the 28-day wind-down period has expired, and a suitable re-homing option has been found, the owner will need to submit a RETIREMENT NOTIFICATION under **GAR106 (3)** with the required supporting documents.

The RETIREMENT NOTIFICATION form must be completed with all relevant details, the greyhound's details, the owner/s details, responsible person/s declaration and retirement option with dates and signatures. If the greyhound is owned by a syndicate or a partnership group, the manager of the syndicate/partnership group should sign the form on behalf of all owners.

The RETIREMENT NOTIFICATION form can be found online here [Greyhound - Retirement Notification](#)

Greyhound retirement notification

(To be used when retiring a Greyhound to GAP, 3rd Party, Other Adoption program or Export)

The greyhound ID card or Naming Application Form MUST be returned with this notification

22(1) At any time after the the result of service pursuant to rule 71, the owner or person responsible for the greyhound at the relevant time, must notify the Controlling Body where the greyhound is domiciled in writing:

(a) Within 10 days, if that greyhound has been retired as a pet, been transferred to an adoption program, or been exported or surrendered to another agency

For further rules in relation to the welfare and euthanasia of greyhounds please refer to Part 4 of the Tasmanian Greyhound Rules of Racing available at: www.tasracing.com.au

Greyhound details

GREYHOUND'S NAME:	EAR BRAND:	COLOUR:	SEX:	LAST RACE DATE:
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
MICROCHIP NO.	GREYHOUND'S SIRE:	GREYHOUND'S DAM:		
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
COUNCIL REGISTERED WITH:	COUNCIL REG. NUMBER:			
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
Has a wind-down notification been received and accepted by the TIU?:				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Has the mandatory 28 days been completed and wind-down form attached to this notification?:				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

RETIREMENT NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

A RETIREMENT NOTIFICATION form **will not** be accepted and processed by the TIU unless it is received completed in full, with all relevant details and signatures and with the required documentation:

- Greyhound RETIREMENT NOTIFICATION form
- Desexing certificate
- The greyhound ID card or Naming Application form to be posted to TIU Operations

The WIND-DOWN RECORD must already have been submitted to TIU Operations no less than 30-days after the 28-day wind-down period has been completed. If not received, the WIND-DOWN RECORD must be completed before the greyhound can be retired.

NOTIFICATION FOR GREYHOUNDS - BREEDING OR TO CEASE OF BREEDING PURPOSES

At any time after the result of service pursuant to **LR71**, *the owner must notify the Controlling Body where the greyhound is domiciled, in writing and within 10 days, if that greyhound has been retired from racing with an intention to be used for breeding purposes, and:*

- a) any retirement for breeding purposes will become invalid if registration as a sire or breeding female does not occur within 12 months; and must notify the Controlling Body within 10 days of when the greyhound is no longer to be used for breeding purposes.*

NOTE: If a brood bitch is no longer to be used for breeding purposes, the retirement process described above must be followed (i.e. RETIREMENT NOTIFICATION form and desexing).

All forms can be sent via

Email: operations@tasracingintegrity.com.au

Or

Post: Tasracing Integrity Unit
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Contact the Tasracing Integrity Unit if you have any questions.

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