

10 June 2025

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE – 25 JUNE 2025**

Dear Greyhound participant,

## ***Greyhound Kennel Upgrade Subsidy Scheme (Scheme)***

### **Background**

Tasracing has resolved to implement the Scheme to provide financial assistance to licenced racing participants in the greyhound code who wish to upgrade the existing kennel facilities used in their racing operations on properties approved by Tasracing to enhance welfare standards for greyhounds.

The Scheme will facilitate the provision of financial assistance to successful applicants to assist them to upgrade **existing** kennel facilities in accordance with the terms of a Grant Deed which will be entered into between the successful applicant and Tasracing Pty Ltd ('Tasracing').

Financial assistance made available under the Scheme **cannot** be used to fund the building of additional kennel facilities, but can be used to fund the replacement of existing kennel facilities with new kennel facilities on a "one-for-one" basis.

### **Financial details**

The Scheme will allow for financial assistance to be provided to successful applicants as follows;

1. Where the proposed works have a market value cost of up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), a one-off payment equivalent to the value of the works up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be used for the approved purpose ('Initial Payment'); PLUS
2. Where the proposed works have a market value cost exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), in addition to the Initial Payment, Tasracing will pay an additional amount equal to one half of the market value cost which exceeds five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), up to an additional five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).

For the avoidance of any doubt, the maximum amount an approved applicant may be paid under the Scheme is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

### Examples of how the Scheme works

Please see the below table which demonstrates how the Scheme would work with projects of different values:

Total Project Cost	Tasracing Contribution
\$6,500	Tasracing will contribute \$5,750 (\$5,000 + \$750)
\$13,000	Tasracing will contribute \$9,000 (\$5,000 + \$4,000)
\$18,000	Tasracing will contribute \$10,000 (\$5,000 + \$5,000 maximum)

### Limitations

1. An approved applicant can only receive financial assistance for one property.
2. Only one application can be made for any one property (multiple applications from multiple property owners or operators of the same property will not be accepted).
3. Tasracing reserves the right to cap the number of applications it accepts under the Scheme based on available funding. If there are more eligible applications than funding allocated, Tasracing may, at its sole discretion, decide to increase the funding allocation and approve more applications.

Tasracing may approve or reject an application under the Scheme at its complete discretion. An application may be rejected for any number of reasons, including if the applicant is suspended or disqualified under the Rules of Racing or has an outstanding debt to Tasracing which is overdue to Tasracing by more than 14 days.

## Conditions

1. Before any applicant is approved under the Scheme, the applicant must have;
  - (a) Submitted to Tasracing within the time required by Tasracing a duly completed application form.
  - (b) Submitted to Tasracing detailed plans and specifications (which comply with the Standards contained in the draft Tasracing's Greyhound Welfare Code of Practice) and costings for the proposed works and any other supporting documents which may be requested by Tasracing.
2. Before an applicant is approved or paid any funds under the Scheme, the applicant must have;
  - (a) Met all of the requirements of Tasracing under the Scheme;
  - (b) Been issued with written approval by Tasracing for the proposed works (No payments will be made under the Scheme in respect to any part of the proposed works which have commenced before Tasracing has issued its written approval for the proposed works);
  - (c) Entered into a Grant Funding Deed with Tasracing which is on terms and conditions satisfactory to Tasracing in its complete discretion, and which without limitation will include provisions to the effect that;
    - (i) The proposed works must strictly be completed within six (6) months of the date of Tasracing advances any funds to the applicant under the Scheme and that if they are not the funds will be repaid within 14 days of a demand being issued by Tasracing;
    - (ii) The proposed works must be completed in a good and workmanlike manner by appropriately qualified and licensed persons holding any requisite insurances and in accordance with the requirements of Tasracing and any authority having statutory or regulatory jurisdiction in respect of the proposed works;
    - (iii) Tasracing must be permitted access to inspect the proposed works during and after completion of the proposed works to ensure they are to Tasracing's satisfaction.

- (iv) The applicant will be responsible for any costs exceeding the anticipated costs for the proposed works, and must refund to Tasracing any amount advanced under the Scheme which has not been expended on the proposed works.
- (v) At any time before the proposed works are completed Tasracing may withhold or require the immediate repayment of any funds paid to the applicant under the Scheme if the applicant is suspended or disqualified under the Rules of Racing or has an outstanding debt to Tasracing which is overdue to Tasracing by more than 14 days.
- (vi) Produced evidence to Tasracing that the applicant has obtained any required permits or approvals for the proposed works from any authority having statutory or regulatory jurisdiction in respect of the Proposed works;

If you wish to apply to be approved under the Scheme, please complete, sign and return the **enclosed** application form including supporting documentation by not later than 5pm on 25 June 2025.

Email to: [welfare@tasracing.com.au](mailto:welfare@tasracing.com.au)

or mail to: KUSS Scheme C/- Tasracing Welfare, PO Box 730, Glenorchy TAS 7010

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## **KENNELS UPGRADE SUBSIDY SCHEME APPLICATION FORM**

I agree to the attached conditions outlined in Tasracing's Kennel Upgrade Scheme and provide the relevant details in relation to payment of the subsidy below:

Name of Licenced Participant: Licence Number:	
Residential Address:	
Kennel Address (If different from above):	
Contact Telephone Number:	

<b>TO Tasracing email <a href="mailto:welfare@tasracing.com.au">welfare@tasracing.com.au</a></b>		<i>Please tick to indicate agreement</i>
<b>I, the above Licensed Participant, agree:</b>		
1.	That I have obtained quotes from duly qualified and licensed person holding the requisite insurance for the kennel upgrades. Copies are attached.	
2.	To an inspection of my existing kennels by a Tasracing Integrity employee BEFORE approval of funds	
3.	On approval of funding by Tasracing, I will sign an agreement with Tasracing detailing the upgrades/improvements work (Scope of Works), contract terms and conditions	
4.	To an inspection of my kennel improvements by a Tasracing Integrity employee AFTER the improvements	
5.	<b>I understand that</b> failure to do or complete the upgrades/improvements as per the signed agreement will result in my returning the Tasracing subsidy funds.	

<b>Project upgrade with cost up to \$5,000:</b>				
<b>I wish to apply for the Tasracing Upgrade Subsidy:</b>	Nominate a project cost of between \$100 - 5,000	Requested Amount	\$	(Maximum \$5,000)
<b>Project upgrade exceeding cost of \$5,000</b>				
In addition to the above, I wish to apply for:	Up to an additional \$5,000	State Amount \$		(Maximum \$5,000)
I agree that I will match this amount from my own funds		Your Amount \$		(Your contribution will total the above amount)
			Total	Maximum funding \$10,000

Please complete form and email with supporting documents to [welfare@tasracing.com.au](mailto:welfare@tasracing.com.au)

Alternatively, you can post the form to Tasracing Welfare, PO Box 730, Glenorchy TAS 7010, or provide the form at Tasracing's offices at Mezzanine Floor, 6 Goodwood Road, Glenorchy.

### Applicant Checklist:

Detailed plans of the work attached YES / NO  
(Subsidy will not be provided if NO)

Quotes for the works attached YES/NO  
(Subsidy will not be provided if NO)

Itemised Invoice(s) from Licensed Participant attached YES / NO  
(Subsidy will not be provided if NO)

I have read the attached excerpt from draft [Code of Practice for Racing Greyhound Welfare -May 2025.pdf](#)

YES / NO  
(Subsidy will not be provided if NO)

I, the undersigned, agree to the above terms and conditions and certify that I have met all requirements

Name:

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Signature:

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Date:

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## ***Personal Information Protection Statement***

By completing and submitting this document you will be providing personal information to Tasracing Pty Ltd (**Tasracing**).

Tasracing will manage personal information you provide to it in accordance with the Personal Information Protection Act 2004, other relevant laws which apply to Tasracing from time to time and Tasracing's Privacy Policy.

A copy of Tasracing's Privacy Policy can be obtained from Tasracing or accessed at the following link - <https://www.tasracingcorporate.com.au/privacy-policy>

Your personal information may be disclosed to third parties where it is permitted by law (or otherwise with your consent), including law enforcement agencies, courts and other organisations which are authorised to collect it.

Where you provide personal information which is "basic personal information" this may be disclosed to other public sector bodies where necessary, for the efficient storage and use of that information.

The personal information you provide in connection with this document will be used by Tasracing for the purpose of processing your application under the Scheme and for associated purposes pursuant to the *Racing Regulation and Integrity Act 2024*, associated legislation and the Rules of Racing as adopted by Tasracing from time to time.

If you do not provide to Tasracing the personal information requested by this document the main consequences for you is likely to be that Tasracing may not be able to process your application and/or your application may be considered invalid.

You have the right to access your personal information by request to Tasracing and you may be charged a fee for this service. If you consider any of the personal information held by Tasracing to be incorrect or not up-to-date, please contact Tasracing.

Tasracing can be contacted in one of the ways set out in the contact details in the footer of this document.



Excerpt from **Code of Practice for Racing Greyhound Welfare – Draft**  
May 2025 Housing and Environment

## 5. Housing and Environment

### *Objective*

*To ensure that every greyhound is provided with housing that provides adequate space, shelter and comfort, having regards to the greyhound's age, size, and behavioural needs.*

### Standards

#### Construction of housing pens, kennels and yards

5.1 All **enclosures** used to keep greyhounds must provide at least enough space for each greyhound to feed, sleep, sit, stand, lie with limbs extended, stretch, and move about. R

5.2 Greyhounds must be securely confined to prevent their escape from the property at which they are kept, and prevent unauthorised persons gaining access to the greyhounds. Unless the greyhound is under supervision, there must be always at least two barriers between a greyhound and escape from the property. R

5.3 All greyhound enclosures, housing and sleeping areas must be designed, constructed, and maintained in a way that is safe and provides for the well-being of the greyhounds. R

5.4 Any security measures installed in or around **greyhound housing areas** must not prevent easy access to greyhounds, or efficient removal of greyhounds in the event of an emergency. R

5.5 Vehicles, caravans, trailers, portable crates and the crawl space under any dwelling must not be used as long-term housing for greyhounds.

#### Indoor housing

5.6 All indoor housing areas must have adequate ventilation. R

5.7 Where greyhounds are housed in an enclosed environment in which air conditioning and/or fans provide the only form of air movement:

- temperatures must be maintained at between 16° C and 26° C;
- effective air cleaning and filtration must be in place; and
- a power back-up and effective alarm system must be installed and available for use in the event of power failures or breakdown.

5.8 Where greyhounds are housed indoors, lighting must be adequate to allow proper inspection of the greyhounds when needed and light cycles must be as close as possible to natural conditions.

## Greyhound housing area space requirement

**5.9** Unless directed otherwise by a veterinarian, greyhound housing areas must meet minimum space requirements outlined in Table 1.

**Table 1: Minimum Space requirements for greyhound housing areas**

Minimum requirements for one greyhound			
Enclosure type	Minimum width	Minimum height	Total area
Pen (includes kennel)	1.2 m	1.8 m	3.5 m <sup>2</sup>
Minimum requirements for two greyhounds			
Pen (includes kennel)	2.4 m	1.8 m	7 m <sup>2</sup>
Mating Greyhounds Pen	3 m	1.8 m	15 m <sup>2</sup>
Minimum requirements for whelping greyhounds			
Whelping box area for dam and litter of pups aged up to 4 weeks	A whelping box or other area used for whelping must be large enough for the dam to lie comfortably while whelping and accommodate the dam and her puppies for four weeks after whelping.		
Whelping Greyhounds Pen (includes kennel)	For a dam and litter of puppies aged over 4 weeks.		15 m <sup>2</sup>
Whelping greyhounds housing pen (includes kennel)	One dam and her litter of pups aged over 8 weeks require an additional 15 m <sup>2</sup> of space.		30 m <sup>2</sup>

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**5.10** Greyhound housing areas must provide greyhounds adequate protection against extreme temperatures, direct sunlight, humidity, dampness, persistent loud noises, light pollution, noxious odours, and draughts. R

**5.11** While in outdoor yards and other enclosures, greyhounds must have access to shelter from rain, sun and extreme temperatures. R

## **Sleeping areas**

**5.12** Areas where greyhounds sleep must:

- a) include a raised bed or wooden pallet, which is large enough for the greyhound to lay down completely stretched out on;
- b) be equipped with bedding that is warm, soft and dry; and made of materials that are safe for greyhounds and puppies; and,
- c) afford each greyhound privacy from other greyhounds while sleeping.

## **Housing greyhounds for breeding and whelping**

**5.13** No female greyhound which is near or in season is to be housed with a male greyhounds six months or older that has not been desexed. R

**5.14** Where used, a whelping box must be large enough for the dam to lie comfortably while whelping and to accommodate the dam and her puppies for the first four weeks after whelping.

**5.17** Whelping boxes must have sides that are high enough to allow the dam to exit readily but prevent puppies under four weeks of age from falling out.

**5.18** A pen housing a whelping greyhound must contain a fully screened bedding area to provide physical separation from other greyhounds and provide the dam with access to an area where her puppies cannot reach her.

**5.19** Puppies from a litter must be actively monitored when housed together and if fighting, bullying or other adverse welfare outcomes are identified, they must be separated.

## **Cleanliness and hygiene**

**5.20** Greyhound housing areas and bedding must be maintained in a clean, hygienic and safe condition at all times. R

**5.21** Pens and kennels must be disinfected using a safe and effective disinfectant no less than four times per year, as well as:

- after an outbreak of an infectious disease R
- prior to introduction of a new greyhound R
- prior to whelping R
- upon the arrival of puppies R

**5.22** Greyhounds must be removed prior to hosing of greyhound housing areas and must not be returned until cleaning is complete and the area is dry. R

## **Preventing transmission of disease**

**5.23** Visitors to all greyhound housing areas must be provided with access to hot- and cold-water hand washing facilities with soap, or hand sanitising stations.

**5.24** Greyhounds diagnosed with or suspected of having an infectious disease must be separated from other dogs as soon as possible, kept isolated and cared for in a suitable area away from all other dogs at the premises. (The affected greyhound(s) may need to be isolated in the care of a veterinary practice if suitable facilities cannot be provided on-site.) R

**5.25** Effective **biosecurity procedures** must be put in place to prevent spread of the infectious agent from isolation areas to other parts of the premises, or to other dogs or people. R

#### **Pest control**

**5.26** Safe and effective measures must be taken to control pests and vermin (including fleas, ticks, flies, mosquitoes, spiders and rodents) in greyhound housing areas. R

**5.27** Pest control chemicals must be kept in their original containers and used and stored in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

**5.28** Greyhounds must be removed from any areas where and while **noxious** pest control chemicals are being used. R

#### **Emergency evacuation procedures**

**5.29** Participants must ensure that an emergency evacuation plan is in place and displayed prominently within any facility housing greyhounds. R

**5.30** Participants must ensure that greyhounds can be removed safely in the event of an emergency. R

**5.31** Participants must ensure that all greyhound housing areas have adequate fire protection, such as sprinkler systems, fire extinguishers, or smoke detectors. R

*Note: participants who keep retired greyhounds are required to comply with those Standards marked with an "R" in relation to those greyhounds.*