1.   OBJECTIVE

1.1.   The objective of this policy is to prescribe the parameters to enable Clubs to conduct an additional race at a meeting when excessive nominations are received for a meeting.

2.   POLICY

2.1.   When there are sufficient nominations for a meeting, 11 races shall be programmed subject to the restrictions and conditions of Clause 3 below.

2.2.   Unless there are exceptional circumstances, there will be no opportunity to conduct an additional race at combined (dual code) meetings.

3.   CONDITIONS

3.1.   After the closing of nominations, the person appointed as the Grader by the Office of Racing Integrity shall review the nominations received and use best endeavours to draw 11 races for the meeting if there are sufficient nominations.

3.2.   If nominations for a meeting have been extended, the option to draw 11 races shall only be considered if the appropriate timeframes for the formulation and release of the fields permit.

3.3.   The criteria to determine whether there are sufficient nominations to program an additional race is that there are sufficient nominations to provide at least two reserves for the races of the same grade/s of the additional race should it be programmed. This requirement does not extend to Top Grade and Grade 3 races which may be programmed with 8 nominations or Mid Distance or Distance races which may be programmed with 7 nominations.

3.4.   The option to conduct an additional race at the meeting where the Hobart Thousand Final, the Devonport Cup Final or the Launceston Cup Final is scheduled shall be subject to the approval of The Director of Racing, together with the availability of race times from Sky Racing, which will still allow presentations for the final to be conducted.

3.5.   Approval for the additional race will only be granted if there are funds available to cover the stakes for the additional race at the time the additional race is being considered.

3.6.   The application shall be subject to the availability of Stewards and Sky Racing coverage of the additional race being secured either prior to or following the last scheduled event with, in the case of Hobart meetings, the last race not being scheduled after 10:50 pm.

3.7.   The grade of the additional race shall be firstly for the 452|461|515 distances, then 580|599|600 distances and then 709|720|278|340 distances except when a Grade 6 or Grade 5 race over 278|340 metres is scheduled and then an additional race over that distance for the grade programmed may be considered in conjunction with the 461|515 distances as the first option.

3.8.   If qualifying trials are scheduled for the meeting an additional race shall not be programmed.

GOVERNANCE

RESPONSIBILITY

Policy Owner	Tasracing

VERSION CONTROL AND CHANGE HISTORY

Vs	Action	Approval Date	Effective Date	Approved by	Amendment DOC ID
1	Adopted		26/3/2010	Tasracing	
2	Amended		1/1/2011	Tasracing	34246
3	Amended	27.10.11	October 2011	Tasracing – Ratified RP&RSC	
4	Amended		February 2012	Tasracing RP&RSC	
5	Amended	12/4/2013	1/5/2013	Tasracing RP&RSC	
6	Amended	19/2/2014	1/4/2014	Tasracing RP& RSC	
7	Amended	16/12/2015	1/2/2016	Tasracing RP&RSC	

DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT

CATEGORY	
Original	R:_ Current\Racing_ Racing Code MASTER Library\Code - Greyhounds\Manual - Policies
Pdf Copy	R:_ Current\Racing_ Racing Code Document Library\Code - Greyhounds\Manual - Policies

POLICY UPDATE REQUIREMENTS

ACTION		
Refer Greyhound Procedure Manual	R:_ Current\Racing_ Racing Code MASTER Library\Code - Greyhounds\Procedures\Current	GPRO0001 - Policy Amendment Procedure
Update Manual if Relevant	R:_ Current\Racing_ Racing Code Document Library\Code - Greyhounds\Manual - Animal Welfare	GSD0001 – Animal Welfare Manual

DISCLAIMER

I hereby certify that the above information has been checked and is correct.
Signed: ……………………………………..…………..   Peter Wesley – Greyhound Code Manager   Date: …....../………./2016