Greyhound – Local Rule Amendments

The Local Rules have been amended as follows effective from 1 January 2019:

- **Local Rules 37.1 and 37.2** have been rescinded in their entirety as the provision of these rules are now covered by the National Rules GAR 83A and GAR 84B.

- **Local Rule 36.9** has been rescinded as the requirement to maintain medical records of greyhounds is now covered by National Rule GAR 84A.

- **Local Rule 25.2** has been rescinded as the prohibition to race on consecutive days is now covered by National Rule GAR 21A.

- **Local Rule 15.9** is rescinded (but is reinstated in another rule).

- **Add Local Rule 36.9** - The use of any tanned and professionally processed sheep skin used as a lure or attached to a lure arm is permitted and shall not be deemed to create an offence under GAR86B or GAR86C, however the use of any other animal skin for any purpose, whether it be at any registered track or private residence, is deemed an offence under GAR86B or GAR86C.

- **Add Local Rule 36.10** - Notwithstanding the penalties stipulated in GAR86B (1) a person who, in the opinion of the Stewards or Controlling Body is deemed guilty of an offence under the provisions of GAR86B (1) (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (g) shall be disqualified for the period of their natural life.

- **Add Local Rule 36.11** - Notwithstanding the penalties stipulated in GAR86B (2), a person who, in the opinion of the Stewards or Controlling Body is deemed guilty of an offence under the provisions of GAR 86B (2) shall be disqualified for a period of not less than 10 years.

- **Add Local Rule 36.12** - Any registered person bringing or transporting a greyhound (not being a greyhound retired as a pet) into the State of Tasmania must notify the Controlling Body in the manner prescribed within 3 working days of the greyhound arriving of:
  a. the name and earbrand or in the case on an un-name greyhound, the earbrand and microchip number, of the greyhound; and
  b. The name and address of the person where the greyhound will be kennelled; and
  c. The reason for the greyhound arriving in Tasmania, e.g. racing, breeding, spelling, retirement.

For the sake of clarity of this rule, the registered person must provide the notification irrespective and separately to any kennel notice required to be lodged by a trainer.

- **Add Local Rule 36.13** - Any registered person who fails to notify the Controlling Body of the details and within the time provided for in LR36.12 shall be deemed guilty of an offence.

- **Add Local Rule 19.4**

  A licensed person or official, when undertaking or purporting to undertake a licensed activity or official duties at a registered track or registered trial track shall not be, in the opinion of the Stewards, under the influence of alcohol or other drugs.
• **Add Local Rule 19.5**

  (1) A person undertaking or purporting to undertake an activity regulated by licence at any race meeting or trial session conducted at a registered track or registered trial track or undertaking official duties at any registered track or registered trial track commits an offence if:
  
  (a) a sample taken from him is found upon analysis to contain a substance banned by Rule 19.6, or
  
  (b) he or she refuses or fails to deliver a sample as directed by the Stewards, or tampers with, adulterates, alters, substitutes or in any way hinders the collection of such sample or attempts to do any of those things.

  (2) A person undertaking or purporting to undertake an activity regulated by licence at any race meeting or trial session conducted at a registered track or registered trial track may be prevented by the Stewards from conducting such activity or duties if in their opinion, based on any information, their own observations or on medical or other competent advice, his faculties may be impaired by any substance banned by Rule 19.6 or by any other cause.

  (3) In the event of an analysis of a sample taken from a person undertaking or purporting to undertake an activity regulated by licence at any race meeting or trial session conducted at a registered track or registered trial track or undertaking official duties at any registered track or registered trial track indicating the presence of a substance banned by Rule 19.6, or if such person refuses or fails to deliver a sample when directed to do so, or tampers with, adulterates, alters, substitutes or in any way hinders the collection of such sample or attempts to do any of those things, the Stewards may forthwith, pending the determination of any inquiry or other proceeding or the result of any other analysis, stand down such person from conducting licensed activities or official duties.

  (4) In the event of a person under this rule incurring a penalty or being prevented from conducting licensed activities or official duties, except under Rule 19.6 (c), the person shall not resume such activities or duties until they deliver a sample, as directed by the Stewards, which is free of any substance banned by Rule 19.6.

  (5) For the purpose of this rule and Rule 19.4 a person carrying on official duties includes veterinarians, track attendants, kennel stewards, judges, lure drivers and stewards.

• **Add Local Rule 19.6**

  The following substances and/or their metabolites, artifacts, and isomers are declared as banned substances when present in a urine sample (unless otherwise stated) at a concentration above the applicable cut-off level in persons undertaking or purporting to undertake an activity regulated by licence at any race meeting or trial session conducted at a registered track or registered trial track or undertaking official duties at any registered track or registered trial track:

  (a) Lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD) (0μg/L).

  (b) All barbiturates (0μg/L); All Cannabinoids - substances in this group include, but are not restricted to, 11-Nor-delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol-9-carboxylic acid (15μg/L): Synthetic cannabinoid analogues and/or their metabolites, such as JWH-018, JWH-073 and HU-210.

  (c) Alcohol (at a concentration in excess of 0.05% on a breath analyser).

  (d) All stimulants – substances in this group include, but are not restricted to, Amphetamine (150μg/L): Methylamphetamine (150μg/L): Methyleneoxyamphetamine (MDA) (150μg/L): Methyleneoxyethylamphetamine (MDEA) (150μg/L):
Methedioxyethylamphetamine (MDMA) (150μg/L): Methylphenidate (0μg/L): Modafinil (0μg/L): Cocaine (100μg/L): Ephedrine (10,000μg/L).

Substances in this group excluded are: Levo-amphetamine: Levo-methamphetamine: Phenylpropanolamine: Pseudoephedrine.

(e) All opiates and opioids – substances in this group include, but are not restricted to, Morphine (0μg/L, save as specified by Rule 19.7): Codeine (0μg/L, save as specified in Rule 19.7): Oxycodone (0μg/L): Fentanyl (0μg/L): Alfentanil (0μg/L): Pethidine (0μg/L): Methadone (0μg/L): Heroin (0μg/L): Monoacetylmorphine (0μg/L): Hydromorphone (0μg/L): Buprenorphine (0μg/L).

Substances in this group excluded are: Dihydrocodeine: Dextromethorphan: Pholcodine: Propoxyphene: Tramadol.

(f) All dissociative anaesthetics and related substances – substances in this group include, but are not restricted to: Ketamine (0μg/L): Phencyclidine (0μg/L): Tiletamine (0μg/L).

(g) All benzodiazepines – substances in this group include: but are not restricted to: Diazepam (200μg/L): Nordiazepam (200μg/L): Oxazepam (200μg/L): Temazepam (200μg/L): Alprazolam (100μg/L, as alpha-hydroxyalprazolam): Clonazepam (100μg/L, as 7-aminoclonazepam): Flunitrazepam (100μg/L, as 7-aminoflunitrazepam): Nitrazepam (100μg/L, as 7-aminonitrazepam): Bromazepam (0μg/L): Clobazam (0μg/L): Flumazenil (0μg/L): Lorazepam (0μg/L): Midazolam (0μg/L): Triazolam (0μg/L): and substances with similar structure or pharmacological activity – benzodiazepine receptor agonists (zolplon: zolpidem: zopiclone).

- **Add Local Rule 19.7**
  Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 19.6, when codeine and/or morphine are detected in a sample taken from a person then the sample shall be deemed not to contain codeine and morphine if:
  (a) The total codeine and morphine concentration is less than 2,000Sg/L; or
  (b) The total codeine and morphine concentration achieved in confirmatory testing is in the range 2,000 to 15,000μg/L inclusive and at least one of the following applies:
    (i) The codeine to morphine ratio contained in the sample is greater than 1.0; or
    (ii) The person satisfies the Stewards that there is no illegal use of opiates or opioids by the person.

- **Add Local Rule 19.8**
  Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 19.6, the Stewards may permit a person referred to in Rules 19.4 and 19.5 to receive a specified banned substance, subject to the following conditions:-
  (a) The medication must be essential treatment for a substantial illness, condition or ailment suffered by that person.
  (b) The medication must be prescribed by a medical practitioner.
  (c) The medical practitioner must certify:-
    (i) The nature of the illness, condition or ailment being suffered by such person.
    (ii) That no alternative, non-banned substance would serve the same purpose for the illness, condition or ailment concerned.
(iii) That the medication would not affect the person carrying on or purporting to carry on licensed activities or official duties to the extent that it could in any way constitute a danger to that person or others.

(d) The person undertaking or purporting to undertake licensed activities or official duties must if requested submit to a medical examination by a medical practitioner appointed by a Controlling Body to advise it on the matters raised in sub-paragraphs (i), (ii), and (iii) of paragraph (c) of this Rule.

(e) The person carrying on or purporting to carry on licensed activities or official duties must:

   (i) Before engaging in the relevant activity make application to the Controlling Body for permission to conduct the activity with a specifically prescribed banned substance in his system.

   (ii) Adhere strictly to his prescribed medication and must report to the Stewards immediately he forms the intention to discontinue or in any way vary his prescribed medication.

   (iii) Report to the Stewards immediately he believes that either his illness, condition or ailment or his medication may have some influence on his ability to conduct the activity effectively and/or safely.

   (iv) Renew his application for exemption on each occasion on which he applies for the renewal of his license.

(f) Under no circumstances shall a person be granted retrospective exemption under this rule.

- **Add Local Rule 19.9**

  For the purposes of Rules 19.4 and 19.5:

  (a) The Stewards may administer any test or use any equipment as they consider appropriate;

  (b) A urine sample provided by a person to whom those rules apply shall only be declared free of any banned substance if the sample contains a creatinine concentration of 200mg/L or greater. In the event that the urine sample does not contain this concentration, the person shall be required to deliver a further urine sample or samples as directed by the Stewards.