

CONSULTATION NOTICE – RULES OF RACING

Code of Racing	Greyhound
Rule	Proposed new Local Rule 26A
Description	10 Greyhound Events at 'The Q Straight' (LR 26A)
Authorised for Consultation	March 10, 2025
Consultation Closes	March 17, 2025
Submissions to	policies@racingqueensland.com.au

Earlier this year, Racing Queensland (**RQ**) published several proposed changes to the *Queensland Local Rules of Racing – Greyhound* for consultation.

Following consideration of the submissions received, RQ has decided to make changes to the proposed new rules regarding the conduct of Events from the 350m starting boxes at 'The Q Straight' (including Events between up to 10 greyhounds).

These changes are designed to bring the rules into closer alignment with GAR 85 in circumstances where vacant boxes are required at the time of the box draw.

As a result of these changes, the previously proposed Local Rules 26A (350m Starting Boxes at 'The Q Straight') and 26B (10 Dog Events at 'The Q Straight') have been combined into a new Local Rule 26A (350m Events at 'The Q Straight').

Full details of proposed new Local Rule 26A are provided in the annexure at the end of this document, which has been authorised for a further period of consultation closing Monday, March 17, 2025.

Stakeholders and interested parties are invited to provide feedback on the proposed rule changes as per the details at the top of this document.

Annexure: Proposed Amendments



LR26A10 Greyhound Events at 'The Q Straight'

- (1) In accordance with GAR 104, the *Controlling Body* approves the use of starting boxes comprising ten individual boxes for the starting of *Events* conducted over a distance of 350 metres at 'The Q Straight'.
- (2) The *Controlling Body* may authorise an *Event* between up to ten *greyhounds* from the 350m starting boxes at 'The Q Straight' (**10 Greyhound Event**).
- (3) Subject to as set out in this Local Rule, all provisions of *the Rules* shall apply to a *10 Greyhound Event* as if it were a *race*.
- (4) The following shall apply to *10 Greyhound Events* conducted from the 350m starting boxes at 'The Q Straight':
 - (a) the starting boxes shall be numbered from one to ten in accordance with the table below and, unless authorised by the *Controlling Body* for a special purpose, a *greyhound* drawn to start from a box number specified in column one of the table shall wear the numeral and rug colour specified in column two and column three:

BOX NUMBER	NUMERAL	RUG COLOUR
1	1	Red
2	2	Black and white stripes
3	3	White
4	4	Blue
5	5	Yellow
6	6	Green
7	7	Black
8	8	Pink
9	9	Green and white stripes
10	10	Red, white and blue

- (b) where there are less than ten *greyhounds* eligible to compete in the *Event* at the time when the *box draw* is to be carried out, the number of the box or boxes to be left vacant must be in accordance with the following table:

NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE GREYHOUNDS	BOX OR BOXES TO BE LEFT VACANT
9	10
8	9 and 10
7	5, 9 and 10
6	3, 6, 9 and 10
5	3, 5, 7, 9 and 10
4	2, 4, 6, 8, 9 and 10
3	2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10
2	2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10

- (c) there shall be no reserve *greyhounds* included for a *10 Greyhound Event*.
- (5) Where an *Event* between up to eight *greyhounds* is authorised from the 350m starting boxes at 'The Q Straight', boxes 9 and 10 shall not be used (and GAR 85 then applies in relation to the *box draw*, rug colours and reserve starters).