

Licensed Venue Standards – Greyhound

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1. Objectives

- a) The Licensed Venue Standards (**Standards**) are the standards required of a Licensed Venue to conduct race meetings and other racing activities under a Club's Licence (including training, if applicable). The Standards outline the specifications required of certain assets used for such activities at the Licensed Venue.
- b) These Standards apply to new and existing assets used in the conduct of a race meeting and other racing activities at the Licensed Venue and outline the requirements that must be adhered to when constructing, acquiring, refurbishing and improving such assets.
- c) Racing Queensland (RQ) may impose additional requirements on Clubs, or exempt Clubs from these Standards (or any parts thereof), on any terms it considers appropriate.
 Additional requirements or exemptions will be expressly stated as a Special Condition on the Club's Licence Certificate.
- d) In accordance with the RQ Club and Venue Licence General Conditions, each Club must:
 - (i.) ensure that all Race Meetings and other activities as specified in the Licence are conducted in a safe and proper manner.
 - (ii.) ensure that the Licensed Venue meets the requirements of the Standards.
 - (iii.) ensure it has all resources and facilities necessary to operate the Club, conduct Race Meetings and operate and run the Licensed Venue (and any Alternative Venue) in a safe and professional manner.
 - (iv.) perform its obligations under the Licence in a manner that complies with all applicable laws.
 - (v.) maintain the Licensed Venue including the general public facilities, racing and training facilities and infrastructure at the Licensed Venue in accordance with all Governance Requirements; and
 - (vi.) provide RQ with access at all reasonable times to all reasonable areas of the Licensed Venue.
- e) These Standards apply to 'The Standards Required of Licensed Venues Policy'.

2. Asset Condition Requirements

- a) In addition to the Standards outlined in this document, RQ may require Clubs to undertake maintenance relating to the condition of assets at their Licensed Venues as it deems appropriate.
- b) Without limitation, RQ may consider any such maintenance to be appropriate to ensure compliance with statutory requirements (including but not limited to applicable work, health and safety legislation), RQ condition requirements or to prevent asset deterioration or failure.



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- c) Where RQ deems that maintenance is appropriate, it will create an 'Asset Case' in relation to the asset and notify the Club. Thereafter, the provisions outlined in Section 3 shall apply (as if the required maintenance were a relevant non-compliance with these Standards).
- d) Unless otherwise specified in this document, RQ's condition requirement for an asset identified in these standards is 'Fair' (see Appendix A for definition of condition statuses).

3. Asset Rectification Process

3.1. Venue Inspection

RQ may carry out inspections of a Licensed Venue from time to time to assess compliance with these Standards and the ongoing suitability of the Venue to be licensed (a **Venue Inspection**).

3.2. Asset Cases

- a) Where RQ identifies any asset as failing to comply with the requirements of these Standards (at its absolute discretion), RQ will:
 - (i.) give the Club notice of the relevant non-compliance; and
 - (ii.) require the Club to take all reasonable steps to rectify the relevant noncompliance,

by creating an 'Asset Case' in Race Cube.

- b) An Asset Case will be issued to the Club by automated email (via Race Cube). In cases of urgency, RQ may also attempt to contact the Club in person, verbally by telephone (including voicemail), or in writing by text message or separate email to a Club representative's email address as listed in Race Cube.
- c) Each Asset Case will include:
 - (i.) specific details of how the asset fails to meet the requirements of these Standards; and
 - (ii.) the timeframe within which the Club must rectify the relevant non-compliance (Rectification Period).
- d) A Club must acknowledge receipt of an Asset Case within 21 days of notification by RQ (or within a shorter timeframe if communicated by RQ, in cases of urgency). To acknowledge an Asset Case, the Club must 'accept' or 'object' to the case in Race Cube.
- e) By accepting an Asset Case, the Club agrees to take all reasonable steps to rectify the relevant non-compliance within the Rectification Period.
- f) Further, RQ may require a Club to detail its proposed plan to rectify the relevant noncompliance at the time of 'accepting' an Asset Case. If such a plan is required, this will be indicated in the Asset Case.





3.3. Club Objection to an Asset Case

- a) If the Club is unwilling or unable to rectify a relevant non-compliance with these Standards within the Rectification Period, the Club may 'object' to the Asset Case in writing via Race Cube.
- b) When 'objecting' to an Asset Case, the Club must inform RQ of its specific objection, and include:
 - (i.) the reason/s for its objection; and
 - (ii.) any request for an extension to the Rectification Period.
- c) Upon receipt of the Club's objection, RQ will review the Club's submissions and any other relevant information and will either:
 - (i.) direct the Club to rectify the relevant non-compliance in accordance with the Asset Case; or
 - (ii.) amend the Asset Case (on such terms as it considers appropriate, including any agreed extension to the Rectification Period); or
 - (iii.) withdraw the Asset Case (on such terms as it considers appropriate),

noting that any such action may occur following negotiations between the Club and RQ. RQ will notify the Club of its decision via Race Cube.

d) Nothing in this section will relieve a Club of its obligation to take all reasonable steps to rectify a relevant non-compliance within the Rectification Period (as set out in an Asset Case), unless and until RQ has advised the Club otherwise.

3.4. 'Finalising' an Asset Case

- a) If the Club believes that it has rectified an asset's failure to comply with these Standards (as identified in an Asset Case), it must, as soon as reasonably practicable, submit a request to RQ to finalise the case by:
 - (i.) detailing the steps the Club has taken to rectify the relevant non-compliance in Race Cube;
 - (ii.) providing sufficient evidence to confirm that the asset no longer fails to comply with these Standards, including photographic or such other forms of evidence as RQ may request from time to time; and
 - (iii.) changing the status of the Asset Case to "*maintenance ready for approval*".
- b) If, after reviewing the information provided by the Club in support of a request to finalise an Asset Case, RQ is satisfied that the asset no longer fails to comply with these Standards, RQ will finalise the Asset Case in Race Cube.



3.5. Interim Solution

- a) RQ may, at any time where an asset has been identified as failing to comply with these Standards, direct the Club to implement an interim solution to manage the risk to the safety of persons or the welfare of animals presented by the relevant non-compliance, until such time as the non-compliance is rectified and the Asset Case is finalised in accordance with this Section 3 (Interim Solution).
- b) The details of any Interim Solution to be implemented by the Club will be recorded on the Asset Case.

3.6. Right to Create an Asset Case

For the avoidance of doubt, RQ may create an Asset Case upon becoming aware of any noncompliance with these Standards (as determined by RQ in its absolute discretion), whether identified as a result of a Venue Inspection or otherwise.

4. General

- a) In addition to these Standards, Clubs must ensure assets at their Licensed Venues comply with all applicable Laws, codes and standards, including (without limitation):
 - (i.) Work Health and Safety Laws.
 - (ii.) Australian Building Standards.
 - (iii.) National Construction Code.
 - (iv.) Queensland Development Code.
 - (v.) Building Fire Safety Regulation; and
 - (vi.) the Disability Discrimination Act.
- b) RQ may, at its discretion, create an Asset Case in relation to any deemed non-compliance with these obligations. Thereafter, the provisions outlined in section 3 shall apply.
- c) Nothing in these Standards limits RQ's powers under the Racing Act 2002 (Qld), RQ's Policies, the Club's Licence, or any agreement it may have with the Club.

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5. Definitions

Animal Precinct	Designated enclosed areas within the Licensed Venue separated from general public access that have been prescribed for the training, racing, handling and welfare of dogs. Areas include but not limited to tracks, scales area, parade rings, and kennels.
Broadcast Race Meeting	A Race Meeting, the coverage of which is broadcast by SKY (being Sky Channel Pty Limited, ABN 77 009 136 010).
Critical Racing Assets	Means any assets the failure of which would render a Licensed Venue unsuitable for racing, including (but not limited to) racetracks, lures, rails and starting boxes.
Licensed Participant	Refers to any individual/participant licensed by the Queensland Racing Integrity Commission to care for, train and carry out duties associated with animals registered for racing.
Licensed Venue	The place licensed by a control body as a place at which a race meeting and training activities may be held by a licensed club for its code of racing.
Officials	Means any Stewards, Swabbing attendant, Veterinarian, Starter, Attendants, Judge/s, Photo Finish Operators taking part in the operation of the current Race Meeting or training activity.
QRIC	Means the Queensland Racing Integrity Commission.
Race Cube	Means the secure online portal that RQ provides to licensed clubs in order to engage on matters of compliance, licensing and asset management (Racecube.com.au).
Roadworthy	In suitable operating condition or meeting acceptable standards for safe driving and transport of people on public roads. Any vehicle driven on a road (as defined by Queensland Transport) must be registered.
Training	To exercise, accustom and prepare dogs for racing.
Twilight/Night Race Meeting	Means a Race Meeting designated as a 'Twilight Race Meeting' in the Racing Calendar (or which is otherwise acknowledged by RQ as being a twilight race meeting) or any meeting conducted after sundown.

6. Critical Racing Assets

6.1. Tracks

6.1.1. Track Presentation & Condition (All racing and training tracks)

- a) All tracks must be presented in a smooth, consistent, and even condition.
- b) Tracks must be free of depressions, major undulations. debris, stones, and rocks.
- c) Must have a base that is formed, shaped, and consolidated using a suitable material; roadbase or clay. There must be no soft spots.
- d) All track materials must be approved by RQ before application.
- e) For race meetings: The track surface must be levelled after each race. For trial days: The track surface must be levelled after every eight (8) to ten (10) trials.



6.1.2. Sand Tracks:

- a) The base must be:
 - (i.) Graded to the identical grades and cambers to reflect the track profile being 150mm (150mm to 200mm for future tracks/renovations).
 - (ii.) Compacted to industry, RQ or AS 3798-2007 as a minimum standard.
 - (iii.) The base and the track sand must be separated by a geotextile membrane.
- b) The track profile must be:
 - (i.) The racing surface profile is to be a minimum of 150mm deep consistently across the track (150mm to 200mm for future tracks/renovations).
 - (ii.) Track surface grades must be always maintained within the specified tolerances;(-10 mm/+20 mm).
 - (iii.) Track Sand must be within the reasonable range (%) of RQ's Track Sand Particle Size Distribution (PSD) grading specification, any variations from the nominated PSD range must be approved by RQ:

Fraction	Size (mm)	Re	commended Range (%)
Fine Gravel	2.00	} <1%	
Very Coarse Sand	1.00	} <5%	<30%
Coarse Sand	0.50		-30%
Medium Sand	0.25	} 30% -	40%
Fine Sand	0.15		
Very Fine Sand	0.05		35% - 55%
Silt / Clay	<0.05	} <5%	

Track Sand Particle Size Distribution (% retained)

- (i.) All Track Sand that is selected for use on any track (including for use in renovations) must be tested, analysed and approved by RQ before application.
- (ii.) Track Sand and profile must be consistent and maintained in a condition which allows water to always infiltrate vertically.
- (iii.) Drains must be constructed to promptly remove flows arising from typical rainfall events.

6.1.3. Grass Tracks:

- a) The base must be:
 - (i.) Graded to match the finished level super elevations with a profile depth circa 200mm.
 - (ii.) Formed, shaped and consolidated using a suitable material; road-base or clay. There must be no soft spots.
- b) The track profile:
 - (i.) The turf is to be presented at a height of no longer than 75mm.



- (ii.) Drains must be constructed with sufficient capacity to promptly remove flows arising from typical rainfall events.
- c) The turf surface must be of high density, smooth, free of scalping and weed free.
- d) Presentation and condition:
 - (i.) Must present a uniform dense mat of turf capable of withstanding the rigors of greyhound trialling and racing schedule.
 - (ii.) Turf shall be in optimum health with a strong root system and seasonal leaf growth.

6.1.4. Irrigation Management:

- a) Fixed Irrigation System Pipework:
 - (i.) The club must have two (2) ring mains one on the inner side of the track and the other on the outer side of the track.
- b) Fixed Irrigation System Sprinklers are to be:
 - (i.) Gear driven pop-ups, impact type or shrub head with MP rotors or equivalent.
 - (ii.) Installed on risers that enable general maintenance to be undertaken.
 - (iii.) Installed so as throw is not obstructed by fixed objects such as railings or fencing.
 - (iv.) Spaced evenly apart to ensure full coverage of the track.
 - (v.) must irrigate 10% greater than the head spacing.
- c) Fixed Irrigation System Controllers must:
 - (i.) be hard wired with battery backup.
 - (ii.) have the capacity for future extensions that may include an on-site weather station.
 - (iii.) have the capacity for multiple programs with multiple start times per program.
- d) Water Trucks/Carts must
 - (i.) have wide tread tyres/wheels to enable load dispersal.
 - (ii.) For sand tracks, a water truck or cart must be mounted with a minimum 30001 molded plastic tank with external pump capable of delivering water through spray bar or dust suppression nozzle.
 - (iii.) Must have tap and hose fittings to allow manual watering, predominantly for smaller areas such as starting boxes and synthetic grassed areas.
 - (iv.) Water trucks must be roadworthy.

6.2. Cable Lure System

a) The lure system is to be a steel cable (6mm or 8mm diameter) with a fibre core, and the cable installed above the running rail.

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- b) The club must have a variable speed electric drive motor fitted with brake resistor and have a backup unit available at all times.
- c) A spare lure rope must be present at all times.
- d) The rail and posts must be constructed from mild steel.
- e) The alignment of the rail must be free from any changes in height or alignment, gaps, rust, dents, or damage.
- f) Rail and posts must be well maintained, painted and free of sand build up around the post.
- g) The lure rail to be painted gold or yellow in colour.
- h) The rail height from the racing surface must
 - (i.) Allow sufficient room for the lure trolley to operate without interference.
 - (ii.) Be aligned to provide smooth transition of the remote lure trolley.
 - (iii.) Ensure the top of rail to racing surface or concrete plinth is to be 420mm or 450mm if refurbished or replaced.
- i) Covers over the lure carriage are required to prevent injuries to greyhounds.
- j) Rollers must be of vertical and horizontal installation and be sourced from an approved RQ supplier.
- k) All rollers must be manufactured as a single solid construction and must be in a free rotating condition indicating no bearing damage and no cable wear marks deeper than 6mm into the roller casing.
- I) Safety rails must be installed at all tracks and sit no more than 200mm above the lure rail, be continual with no gaps.
- m) Safety rails must be steel or plastic and rectangular in shape or rolled.

6.3. Drag Lure System

- a) Motors should be electric drive with breaking for return arm.
- b) All motors must be installed and operated within a cage or protective cover.
- c) The rail and posts must be constructed from mild steel.
- d) The rail must be free from any changes in height or alignment.
- e) The rail shall not have major gaps, rust, dents or damage.
- f) Rail and posts must be well maintained and painted.
- g) The lure rope must be 4mm, eight plait polyester rope.
- h) Rollers must be of vertical and horizontal installation.



- i) All rollers must be manufactured as a single solid construction.
- j) All rollers must be in a free rotating condition indicating no bearing damage and no cable wear marks deeper than 6mm into the roller casing.
- k) Safety rails must be installed at all tracks and sit no more than 200mm above the lure rail, be continual with no gaps.
- I) Safety rails must be steel or plastic and rectangular in shape or rolled.
- m) The lure guide must be a steel cable, <5mm in diameter.
- n) The cable must be anchored into the ground and tightened in order to run flat along the ground to prevent injuries.

6.4. Cable-less Battery Remote-Controlled Lure

- a) Electric lure (no cable) must approved by RQ.
- b) Battery driven electric motor shall be fitted with remote controlled system for acceleration and braking (speed control) with reverse capability.
- c) The club must have two fully charged batteries in place at all times.
- d) The club must have two lure hoop arms (includes one spare) and two lure trolleys (includes one spare).
- e) The lure carriage must have a cover to prevent injuries to greyhounds.
- f) The rail and posts must be constructed from mild steel.
- g) The alignment of the rail must be free from any changes in height or alignment, gaps, rust, dents, or damage.
- h) Rail and posts must be well maintained and painted.
- i) Stopper pads must be fitted to the lure rail at the start and finish of the lure run on a straight track rail to stop the lure trolley.

6.5. Starting Boxes

- a) All starting boxes must be:
 - (i.) Built by an RQ approved supplier or manufacturer.
 - (ii.) Fully functional and structurally sound with no sharp edges or surfaces.
 - (iii.) Lined internally with rubber flooring providing a consistent and safe surface.
 - (iv.) Installed on a concrete pad, 6m in length x 5m in width x 100mm in depth (note this includes measurements for grass matting).
 - (v.) Roller or latch type rear doors, that are lubricated, fully functional and open easily.

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- (vi.) Capable of operating pneumatically.
- (vii.) Fitted with trip starts to the rail at each starting distance to ensure the boxes are tripped at the appropriate time.
- (viii.) Equipped for manual operation, in the event a trip start becomes faulty during a meeting.
- (ix.) Maintained to a Good condition (see Appendix A), painted with clear colours and numbers displayed.
- (x.) Fitted with operational, flashing amber/red and green lights.

6.6. Synthetic Grass Matting

- a) The synthetic grass installed in front of all starting boxes must meet the following specifications:
 - (i.) Pile height: 40mm +/- 5%;
 - (ii.) Polypropylene woven UV stabilized backing; and
 - (iii.) Green in colour.
- b) Infill and Top Dress material:
 - (i.) Must be rubber crumb & sand.
 - (ii.) 1-2mm recycled rubber crumb in black or green.
 - (iii.) Infill sand must be fine or medium washed, kiln dried or graded silica sand.
 - (iv.) Track sand must not be used as infill on synthetic grass mats.
 - (v.) The above products used either separately or in combination are to be placed into the synthetic grass mats to a depth on no more than 30mm ensuring 10mm of grass pile is visible.
- c) The synthetic grass mat is to be installed onto a concrete slab a minimum of 3m in length x 5m in width (or at least the width of the starting boxes) x 100mm in depth.
- d) Absorption rubber sheeting 24mm in thickness is to be placed on the concrete slab and directly beneath the synthetic grass.

6.7. Catching Pen

- a) Must be a minimum of 9m in length and equal to or wider than the width of the track to allow all dogs to enter unobstructed.
- b) Have no exposed sharp, jagged, or damaged corners or panels.
- c) Have an even and consistent surface, free of grass and any encroaching vegetation.
- d) Be fitted with a non-return gate, 1.5m in height and constructed with material to restrict greyhound visibility of outside areas.
- e) The gate shall be fitted with a flap mechanism which allows the lure arm to move past

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without interference.

- f) The gate mechanism must be in good condition.
- g) The catching pen sand must match the track sand profile and/or medium coarse sand approved by RQ for grass tracks.
- h) Be free of any debris or gravel particles larger than 3mm.
- i) Ensure the interface between the track surface and the catching pen sand does not present any tripping hazard such as changes in level.
- j) Be presented with sufficient water content that assists greyhounds in pulling up, during all racing and trial usage.
- k) Close access to tap and hose to manually water the catching pen or be fitted with a fully operational fixed sprinkler system to maintain the sand in a moist and damp condition.
- I) The catching pen (including gates) must be fully padded in foam padding to a minimum height of 0.9m. Padding foam to be a minimum 50mm thick and enclosed within a vinyl or canvas cover.
- m) From September 30, 2024, any newly constructed or replaced catching pen padding must be open cell foam with a minimum thickness of 75mm.

6.8. Track Fences and Gates

- a) Round or flat top fencing only, no security type fencing (with spike or wire tops) permitted on the track or in the animal precincts.
- b) Padding must be installed on all bends and turns and/or as determined by RQ.
- c) Padding must be a minimum of 50mm thick foam, covered with vinyl or canvas.
- d) Fence padding must be equal to or higher than the height of the fence.
- e) Outside fence must be constructed from Colourbond, corrugated iron or similar. Chainwire fencing, timber and pipe rail are not suitable fencing material.
- f) Separation between the track and public/patron areas including the use of mesh fencing where required to further restrict access to the track.
- g) Fence and gate heights must be high enough to assist dogs sight line and retain dogs where possible inside the track confines, recommended heights are detailed below:
 - (i.) Outside fences in straight where no impact to broadcasting must be minimum height of 0.4m;
 - (ii.) Outside fences in other sections must be a minimum 0.6m high; and
 - (iii.) Fence leading into or from the catching pen must be a maximum height of 1.8m.
- h) All components (posts, rail, and fittings) must be upright, level and be kept in fair condition to ensure structural integrity.





i) Rails must be completely straight where appropriate with smooth sweeping radii on the bends with no exposed pins or joint protrusions.

7. Other Racing Assets

7.1. Perimeter/Other Fencing

- a) A perimeter fence is required to contain a loose animal within the facility and/or to prevent entry of unwanted animals including wildlife.
- b) If exclusion fencing for feral animals is installed, the posts must be capped (any intermediate posts should be full height) and fixed into the ground, the fence must be constructed with mesh (not plain wire strands).
- c) Barbed wire is not permitted on the track or fencing in any animal precinct.
- d) Electric fencing is not permitted on race day.
- e) Fencing must be in place to provide separation from all restricted areas including track, officials, and animal precincts.
- f) Suitable fencing design such as crowd barrier fencing, diamond or chain wire mesh fencing is acceptable.
- g) Minimum height of fencing is 1.2m above natural ground.

7.2. Lighting

- a) Track lighting specifications if applicable are subject to each clubs broadcasting agreement.
- b) Backup power supply (e.g. diesel generator) must be functional and be maintained on site for all twilight and night race meetings.
- c) The generator's kVA must be sufficient to operate at least 10% lighting capacity to allow safe navigation of the track and subsequent exit by greyhound and participants in the event of a power failure.
- d) Emergency lighting must be installed in the buildings (i.e. stewards rooms), the kennel block and parking area to provide lights in the event of power disruption during a night race meeting, training and/or in the event of an emergency.

7.3. Kennel Area

- a) The kennel area must be completely fenced/enclosed and signed to restrict unauthorised access.
- b) Be well ventilated.
- c) Provide access to clean potable water.





- d) Have lights with covers or other fluorescent/LED fitting.
- e) Have, smoke alarms installed.
- f) Swab bays to cater to maximum races to sample every winner.
- g) Each bay must be separated from another, lockable and viewable by licensees and authorities.
- h) Minimum of ten (10) kennel bays of eight (8) kennels located on ground level.
- i) The minimum kennel dimensions are 1m(h), 0.8m(w) and 1m(l)
- j) Individual kennels must have solid sides, flooring, and roofing.
- k) There must be an operational air conditioning system able to achieve and maintain temperatures between 20-22 degrees Celsius throughout the Kennel Area.
- I) A thermometer must be present in the kennel bay to monitor kennel temperature.
- m) A minimum of four wash bays must be within the Kennel Area.
- n) Wash bays must provide good drainage to prevent pooling of water.
- o) All wash bays must have a separate hose with clean and cool, potable water application.
- p) Walls and flooring must be free from scum/slime/mould etc and in fair condition.
- q) From September 30, 2024, any newly constructed or renovated kennel facilities, must ensure:
 - (i.) CCTV monitoring of all kennel bays to be implemented.
 - (ii.) There is a minimum of twelve (12) kennel bays of eight (8) kennels located on ground level.

7.4. Swabbing & Veterinary

- a) Swabbing facility must:
 - (i.) Be separate to the veterinary and treatment facility and be completely lockable.
 - (ii.) Be a minimum of 4m² to accommodate one licensee, one swab attendant and one greyhound at any one time.
 - (iii.) Contain an air conditioning system that can maintain room temperatures between 20-22 degrees Celsius.
 - (iv.) Have a sink with running potable water, hand wash soap dispenser, paper towel, approved sharp's container, and lined rubbish bins.
 - (v.) Have a lockable refrigerator to store samples and an adequate workbench for swab attendant to carry out duties.
 - (vi.) Have lockable cupboards to store sampling equipment and veterinary items.

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(vii.) Have ceiling lights that are covered and provide adequate lighting.

- b) The veterinary treatment room must:
 - (i.) Be completely lockable.
 - (ii.) Be appropriately sized to accommodate one licensee, one vet and one greyhound at any one time and allow adequate space for the Vet to conduct their duties.
 - (iii.) Contain an air conditioning system that can maintain room temperatures between 20-22 degrees Celsius.
 - (iv.) Have a sink with running potable water (hot and cold), hand wash soap dispenser, paper towel, approved sharp's container, and lined rubbish bins.
 - (v.) Have workbench a minimum of 1m in length.
 - (vi.) Have examination table for vet to carry out duties.
 - (vii.) Have lockable refrigerated storage facilities.
 - (viii.) Have access to a lockable box freezer (can be located outside the veterinary room).
 - (ix.) Fluorescent/LED ceiling lights.
- c) From September 30, 2024, any newly constructed or renovated swabbing/veterinary facilities must include:
 - (i.) Provision for CCTV monitoring.
 - (ii.) Stainless steel workbench and sink with both hot and cold running water and elbow handled taps.
 - (iii.) Stainless steel height adjustable Examination table to allow 360-degree access for attending vet (minimum 600 wide by 1200mm)
 - (iv.) Wall or ceiling mounted examination light.
 - (v.) Facility lights must be dimmable.
 - (vi.) Two points of access required if the main access is public facing.
 - (vii.) Crate available to house additional dog if required.
 - (viii.) A hook stand for IV fluids.

7.5. Animal Ambulance

- a) All Licensed Venues must have an emergency animal transport vehicle available for all racing and training activities, this should be either a van or buggy that provides privacy, security and obstructs public viewing, The vehicle should contain:
 - (i.) A stretcher.
 - (ii.) A sling to limit movement during transportation.
 - (iii.) A privacy screen that blocks public vision for on track management of injured dogs.

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(iv.) A large collapsible crate in the rear with door that is the full width to enable greyhound to be placed in with minimal movement.

7.6. Scales Area

- a) Scales area must be a minimum 25m² and must contain:
 - (i.) One Greyhound Inspection Ramp, with an incline not greater than 1 over 2 and a non-slip surface. The length and width of the ramp tabletop must be a minimum of 1.2m x 0.6m with sufficient space surrounding the ramp to examine the greyhound without creating a risk that the greyhound may fall.
 - (ii.) One set of dog scales. A valid scales calibration certificate must be on display at all times illustrating calibration has been completed within a 6-month period.
 - (iii.) Minimum of two (2) tables and four (4) chairs, to cater to stewards and club officials.
 - (iv.) Adequate ventilation or if enclosed in a room, an air-conditioning system that can maintain room temperatures of 20-22 degrees Celsius.
- b) After September 30, 2024, newly constructed or renovated scales areas must incorporate CCTV monitoring.

7.7. Judges/Broadcast Facilities and Equipment

- a) The Judges facility/tower must meet Australian Building Standards at time of construction and enable safe access when carrying equipment or provide a winch where applicable (i.e., to lift equipment up to camera level) and must be:
 - (i.) In line or as close as possible with the finish post (surveyed line) and positioned and constructed to allow all officials to clearly view the race and the finish post
 - (ii.) Elevated (at least 6m unless RQ approve otherwise) to provide clear/unobstructed viewing of the entire track.
 - (iii.) Protected from the elements (when windows are open) for carrying out Raceday/trial operations).
 - (iv.) Earthed and fitted with a Lightning Protection system that meets the requirements of AS/NZS 1768.
- b) The Judges facility may be a multi-level facility or multiple towers/facilities in order to accommodate the judging officials and photo finish operator, broadcast/race caller and camera operator.
- c) The Judges facility must accommodate a minimum of two judging staff (minimum area of $2m^2$ per person) and contain:
 - (i.) Two (2) chairs and two (2) monitors.
 - (ii.) Surveyed, unobstructed and secured ledge/camera mount for the photo finish camera.
 - (iii.) An operating photo finish camera, installed to the suppliers/manufacturer's specs.

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- (iv.) An operating computer connected to the photo finish camera with the latest version of QRIC approved photo finish application operating.
- (v.) Work bench/table to accommodate photo finish computer.
- (vi.) Two (2) double GPO (power outlets).
- (vii.) Operating air conditioning or adequate ventilation including cooling aids if required (e.g., pedestal fan).
- (viii.) Communication (via phone or two-way radio system both of which must be closed channel) with Chief Steward.
- d) Facility shall contain a separate room/booth for the broadcast/announcer with PA system equipment to facilitate on-course calling of races.
- e) Broadcast area/room must provide clear viewing of the entire track and sufficient space for at least one-person, minimum area of 2m² per person.
- f) The photo finish mirror must:
 - (i.) Be installed in surveyed position, with Survey marker on inside and outside of track to enable realignment.
 - (ii.) Be clean and in good condition with no fractures.
 - (iii.) Be installed at height to enable mirrored image to show the entire width of track (i.e. inside rail to outside fence / rail).

7.8. Semaphore Board & Sectional Timing Equipment

- a) Must be functional and structurally sound, electronic semaphore board displaying 300mm characters, four (4) place getters, time, margins, and sectional times.
- b) Must have functional sectional timing installed for all greyhound box starts and photo finish post.

7.9. Stewards Room

- a) The Stewards room must:
 - (i.) Be a minimum $9m^2$ in area.
 - (ii.) Contain table and seating to accommodate four (4) persons.
 - (iii.) Be air conditioned and have consistent and clear lighting.
 - (iv.) Contain a minimum of two (2) double power outlets.
 - (v.) Contain lockable cupboards or similar for equipment/gear storage.
 - (vi.) Contain two (2) TV monitors for race reviews and wagering fluctuations.
 - (vii.) Contain multi-angle digital replay system.
 - (viii.) Communication system (phone or radio) with connections to On Course Broadcaster, judges, and the Stewards tower.



7.10. Stewards/Lure Driver Viewing Areas and Fixed Cameras

- a) Stewards/Lure Driver tower/s must:
 - (i.) Meet Australian Building Standards at time of construction and ensure safe access when carrying equipment or provide a winch where applicable (i.e. to lift equipment up to camera level).
 - (ii.) Provide unobstructed viewing above track level.
 - (iii.) Stewards/camera- provide a head on view to the home straight, as well as back straight, and lateral viewing.
 - (iv.) Fixed cameras (for Stewards' footage) must be positioned to provide necessary lateral viewing.
 - (v.) Roofing to provide protection from the elements.
 - (vi.) Fitted with a lightning protection system that meets the requirements of AS/NZS 1768.
 - (vii.) If power is installed, the tower must be earthed.
 - (viii.) Towers/viewing areas located at venues that conduct night racing must have lighting that provides clear viewing of the access pathway/s and the access stairs/steps (e.g. garden path lights).

8. References & Related Documents

Rules of racing will not be made for this policy. or Rules of Racing are made to support this policy.

Document	Document
Club Licence General Conditions	
The Standards Required of Licensed Venues Policy	

9. Version History

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10. Appendix A – Asset Condition Definitions

	 Fully operational with no defects
Excellent	As new condition and appearance
Good	Only defects are cosmetic
	 Superficial wear and tear, some deterioration to finishes
	 Structurally sound and fully operational
	 Major reactive maintenance not required
	• Able to support anticipated loading, with no defects in functionality
	 Structurally sound and operational
Fair	 Worn finishes require maintenance
	 Minor instances of rust may be present but surface rust only
	 Provides functional service but needs regular maintenance
	 Operational but has potential for defects in functionality
Poor	· Deterioration is visible
POOR	Potential structural problems
	Components have historically failed
	· Asset fails frequently
	Structural soundness is clearly questionable
Very Poor	· Badly deteriorated
	 Unfit for occupancy or normal use
	Environmental/contamination/pollution issues potentially exist

