

# REQUEST TO RETIRE, EXPORT, TRANSFER OR EUTHANASE GREYHOUND

## Greyhound Racing Prohibition Act 2016

Consent of greyhound authority required in certain other cases

The owner of a registered greyhound must not, except with the written consent of Greyhound Racing NSW:

- (a) retire the greyhound from racing, or
- (b) export the greyhound to a country other than Australia, or
- (c) transfer the greyhound to a person who is not registered as a greyhound owner under the greyhound racing rules or under the law of any other State or Territory, or
- (d) destroy the greyhound or cause it to be destroyed. (euthanase) Maximum Penalty: 50 penalty units (currently \$5500)

Note: You do not require GRNSW consent to transfer a greyhound to a person who is registered as a greyhound owner under the GRNSW greyhound racing rules or under the law of any other State or Territory, or to an adoption program conducted in accordance with an RSPCA or Animal Welfare League protocol. However you must notify GRNSW in writing of such a transfer prior to it taking place.

Purpose of this form: This form should be completed by the owner of a greyhound and veterinarian (where appropriate) when an owner would like to undertake the activities listed in (a) to (d) above.

### PART A – GREYHOUND DETAILS

Name (if named):		Sex:	
Colour:		Ear brand:	
Microchip number:			
Current location:			
State:		Postcode:	
Person with current care of greyhound:			

### PART B – OWNER DETAILS\*

Given name/s:		Surname:	
Residential address:			
State:		Postcode:	
Phone number:		OzChase ID:	
Email:			

\*Where a greyhound is owned by a syndicate or partnership, these details should be for the Manager of the syndicate or partnership.

Complete the relevant part of this form as below:	
To retire the greyhound as a pet and keep it yourself	COMPLETE SECTION 1
To export the greyhound to another country	COMPLETE SECTION 2
To transfer the greyhound to a person or organisation not registered	COMPLETE SECTION 3
To euthanase the greyhound	COMPLETE SECTION 4

1. REQUEST TO RETIRE THE GREYHOUND AS A PET AND KEEP IT YOURSELF	
Will you be keeping this greyhound as a pet?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes Please be aware that when a greyhound ceases to be registered with GRNSW it must be registered with the relevant Council in accordance with the Companion Animals Act 1998. For further details about registration you should contact your local Council.
Address where greyhound will be kept:	
Proposed date of retirement:	

2. REQUEST TO EXPORT THE GREYHOUND	
You must apply for and be issued a Greyhound Passport and Greyhound Pedigree from Greyhounds Australasia prior to exporting your greyhound outside of Australia and New Zealand (GAR124).	
Country of intended export:	
Passport Number: (not required for NZ)	
Proposed date of export:	

3. REQUEST TO TRANSFER THE GREYHOUND TO A PERSON OR ORGANISATION NOT REGISTERED (i.e. Greyhounds As Pets, local council, friends and family, or other third party).	
Name of person or organisation:	
Address:	
Phone number:	
Proposed date of transfer:	

Greyhounds capable of living as happy, safe pets should be given the opportunity to do so, and should only be placed in homes where it is believed they will be appropriately cared for. Prior to rehoming the greyhound you must be comfortable that the new owner is capable and willing to provide the greyhound with appropriate care. This includes being satisfied that the new owner:

- will comply with all relevant legislation including, within NSW, the Companion Animals Act 1998, local government regulations and the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979
- lives in a residence that permits the keeping of dogs

- will meet the physical, behavioural and social needs of the greyhound
- has time everyday to positively interact with the greyhound and provide daily exercise
- has the means to seek veterinary care as required
- is prepared to educate themselves on greyhound care and ownership

You must also be confident that the greyhound is of adequate physical and mental health to be a happy and safe pet. You should disclose any behavioural or health problems to the new owner prior to rehoming so they can be prepared to manage these accordingly.

It is preferable to have your greyhound neutered when it becomes a pet. You should discuss with your veterinarian how to organise this.

4. REQUEST TO EUTHANASE THE GREYHOUND	
Name of veterinarian or veterinary clinic:	
Address:	
Phone number:	

Prior to considering euthanasia, you **must** explore all possible appropriate options for the retirement of the greyhound. Refer to Policy number LAP05 at paragraph 1.4 for details of the minimum rehoming requirements. Evidence of attempts to rehome the greyhound **must** be provided to the qualified veterinarian administering euthanasia, and **must be attached** to this form.

This form must be completed by both you **and** the qualified veterinarian administering euthanasia (where appropriate). Where a greyhound is owned by a syndicate or partnership, the form must be completed by the Manager of the syndicate or partnership.

Guiding principles can be found in the [Supplement to Codes of Practice – Greyhound Euthanasia](#) (<< insert link once updated) (Policy number [insert])

To seek advice on the suitability of your greyhound for rehoming you can contact **Greyhounds As Pets on (02) 8767 0534**. You can also seek advice from your veterinarian.

There are circumstances where humane euthanasia of a greyhound may be necessary to prevent continued and future suffering. Risks to greyhound welfare include:

- undiagnosed, unmanaged or persistent medical or behavioural disorders which cause pain or distress;
- frustration and poor quality of life due to long term kenneling because of a lack of suitable rehoming options;
- repeated rehoming due to adoption failure;
- failure to establish an owner-pet bond as a result of difficult or unsafe behaviours such as profound anxiety, human directed aggression and predatory aggression.

**If a decision is made to euthanase the greyhound it must be undertaken humanely and by a registered veterinarian. Veterinarians should continue to exercise their professional judgment to act in the best interests of the animals in their care.**

Once GRNSW notifies you of the outcome of your request you will be required to complete the [notification of retirement form](#).

### Request to euthanase the greyhound - declarations

The declarations on this page must be completed by the specified persons in respect of requests made under section 4 of this form only. If you are making a request under another section of this form, do not complete the declarations on this page.

#### Owner's declaration

Please select **one** of the following options:

- I am unable or unwilling to care for the greyhound's welfare. The greyhound has been deemed to be unsuitable for rehoming due to behavioural issues; **or**
- I am unable or unwilling to care for the greyhound's welfare. The greyhound is suitable for rehoming but no suitable rehoming options have been found; **or**
- I am willing to care for the greyhound's welfare but I am unable to do so for the reason(s) provided below (*please provide a brief explanation in the box below*). The greyhound is suitable for rehoming but no suitable rehoming options have been found.

#### Administering veterinarian's declaration

##### DECLARATION AND NOTIFICATION

Please select **one** of the following options:

- Euthanasia will be administered to the greyhound on the basis of the owner's inability or unwillingness to care for the greyhound's welfare and no suitable rehoming options have been found by the owner; **or**
- Euthanasia will be administered to the greyhound on the basis that the greyhound has been deemed unsuitable for rehoming based on behavioural issues; **or**
- Neither of the above apply.

I declare that I have been provided with evidence of attempts to rehome the greyhound, including evidence of at least one attempt of rehoming with Greyhounds as Pets **and** one attempt of rehoming with a private rehoming provider facility.

I declare that I am satisfied that euthanasia is in the greyhound's best interest.

I declare that the particulars contained in this form are true and correct and that I understand it is a serious offence under the Greyhound Racing Rules and the Greyhound Racing Act 2009 to make a false declaration and / or provide false or misleading information at any time to GRNSW. I will advise GRNSW if there is any change in the particulars in this form. Failure to disclose full and accurate information to GRNSW when requested by GRNSW as part of its welfare, regulatory and supervisory activities may result in penalties and further action being taken by GRNSW or other relevant regulatory and law enforcement agencies.

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By signing this document you consent to us (Greyhound Racing New South Wales ABN 61 018 166 136, our related bodies corporate, affiliates and agents) collecting, using, holding and disclosing personal information about you. You can find out more about how we deal with your privacy by viewing our privacy policy at [www.grnsw.com.au/policies/grnsw/privacy-policy](http://www.grnsw.com.au/policies/grnsw/privacy-policy). We may seek and obtain further personal information (including sensitive information) about you during the course of our dealings with you. The terms of this consent

apply to the collection, use and disclosure of that information. If you do not provide us with this consent or provide us with your personal information we may not be able to provide services to you.

<b>Veterinarian's signature:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	/	/
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**Owner's declaration (all requests)**

**The declaration on this page must be completed by the owner of the greyhound in respect of all requests in this form (including in addition to the declaration in section 4). Where a greyhound is owned by a syndicate or partnership, these details should be for the Manager of the syndicate or partnership**

**DECLARATION, UNDERTAKINGS & AUTHORISATIONS**

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<b>Owner signature:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	/	/
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**Owner of the greyhound: Please send the completed and signed form (including attached evidence) to GRNSW by:**

**Email – [retirement@grnsw.com.au](mailto:retirement@grnsw.com.au)**

**Post – PO Box 170, Concord West, NSW 2138**

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