

FACT SHEET – New Breeding Restrictions

New Rules come into effect on 1 July 2015

As part of the National Greyhound Welfare Strategy, a number of new GRNSW Greyhound Racing Rules (Rules) relating to breeding will commence on 1 July 2015. These Rules are aimed at improving the health and welfare of our breeding females, and to minimise the number of greyhounds bred that may not be suitable for racing.

From 1 July 2015, there will be new breeding restrictions that apply to female greyhounds.

Age Restriction: GRNSW approval required to breed a female greyhound over the age of eight

Once your female greyhound turns eight (8) years of age, her registration as a breeding female will become inactive. Under the new Rules, she will **not** be able to breed again **unless** you are granted approval from GRNSW.

In order to seek approval from GRNSW, you will need to complete the **Application to Breed Female Over Eight Years of Age Form** and submit it to GRNSW. In the application form, you will need to complete details about your female greyhound's breeding history.

You will also be required to obtain a veterinary certificate demonstrating that your breeding female is fit and healthy to breed. This veterinary certificate must be provided to GRNSW within 120 days prior to the date of the intended service.

If you are granted approval, you will be permitted one additional service or insemination regardless of the result. If you wish to arrange an additional service or insemination, you will need to fill out another form and submit to GRNSW for approval.

Three Litter Maximum: GRNSW approval required to breed a fourth litter or more

Once your female greyhound whelps her third litter (regardless of who bred each litter), her registration as a breeding female will become inactive.

Under the new Rules, she will **not** be able to breed a fourth litter or more **unless** you are granted approval from GRNSW.

In order to seek approval from GRNSW, you will need to complete the **Application to Breed Over Three Litters Form** and submit it to GRNSW. In the application form, you will need to complete details about your female greyhound's breeding history.

You will also be required to obtain a veterinary certificate demonstrating that your breeding female is fit and healthy to breed. This veterinary certificate must be provided to GRNSW within 120 days prior to the date of the intended service.

If you are granted approval, you will be permitted one additional service or insemination regardless of the result. If you wish to arrange an additional service or insemination, you will need to fill out another form and submit to GRNSW for approval.

Litter Frequency

Once your breeding female has whelped two litters within an 18 month period, her registration as a breeding female will become inactive.

If your breeding female is a 'six-month cyclers', this will mean she will be forced to rest one season before being mated again. This will allow her body adequate time to recover and allow her pups to reach an age where their ability can be assessed.

Further Information

The new Rules and Application Forms can be viewed in the Breeding section on the GRNSW website – www.thedogs.com.au

If you have any questions, please contact the GRNSW Member Services Team on (02) 8767 0500 for more information.