



RACING AND WAGERING WESTERN AUSTRALIA

### **DEFERMENT OF NEW GREYHOUND RULES UNTIL 1 MAY 2022**

With regard to previous notices in relation to the New Greyhound Rules of Racing that were to be applicable from 31 January 2022., on Thursday 27 January 2022 Greyhounds Australasia advised;

*“The adoption of a new suite of national greyhound racing rules is a significant step forward for the industry and a step that GA and the controlling bodies must execute with absolute confidence. Greyhound racing across Australasia is run across multiple IT systems. While the individual systems are ready to adopt the new rules, the GA Directors have sought further assurance regarding the integration of those systems and the ability of those systems to seamlessly work together with the new rules. We need to ensure the integrity of the industry is maintained and as such the GA Directors wish to advise that in order that further final testing on the technical integration can be undertaken, the adoption of the new national rules will be deferred until May 1, 2022.*”

In light of this advice the introduction in Western Australia of the new RWAA Rules of Greyhound Racing 2022 has been deferred until 1 May 2022.

Please note the following applies in light of the deferment of these Rules.

- The new standard of approved lures which requires that a lure must be made of synthetic or artificial materials only and not contain any part of an animal will apply as of 31 July 2022 as previously. Trainers are therefore advised to continue to prepare for this transition.
- C5 Vaccination requirement will now take effect as of 1 May 2022 which affords trainers further time to work towards compliance. **Participants are advised to continue to prepare for the introduction of this rule and ensure that all registered greyhounds have received a C5 Vaccination** or are certified as being protected to a C5 level by a veterinarian **within the last 12 months, and that no greyhound competes in an event within 7 days of receiving a vaccination.**