
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2010 No. 543

The Welfare of Racing Greyhounds Regulations 2010

PART 1

Introduction

Title, commencement and application

1. These Regulations—
 - (a) may be cited as the Welfare of Racing Greyhounds Regulations 2010;
 - (b) come into force on 6th April 2010;
 - (c) apply in England.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

“attending veterinary surgeon” means a veterinary surgeon attending a track pursuant to Condition 1 of the licensing conditions;

“licence” means a licence to manage a track;

“licensing conditions” means those conditions set out in the Schedule;

“local authority” means—

 - (a) where there is, within the meaning of the Local Government Changes for England Regulations 1994(1), a unitary authority for a local government area, that authority;
 - (b) where there is not a unitary authority—
 - (i) in a metropolitan district, the council of that district;
 - (ii) in a non-metropolitan county, any council of any district in that county;
 - (iii) in each London borough, the council of that borough; or
 - (iv) in the city of London, the Common Council;

“operator” means, except in Part 2 of the Schedule, a person responsible for managing a track;

“owner” means an individual who owns a greyhound, or a representative of a partnership, unincorporated association or company that has ownership of a greyhound;

“race” means the competing of running greyhounds at premises where facilities for betting are being provided in relation to that activity either at those premises or elsewhere;

“sales trial” means the timing of a greyhound as it runs for the purpose of selling it;

“track” means premises where a race, trial or sales trial occurs; and

“trial” means the timing of a greyhound as it runs for the purpose of determining its position, or race category, in relation to any subsequent race.

(1) [S.I. 1994/867](#) to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

Licensing of operators

3.—(1) Managing a track is an activity for the purposes of section 13(1) of the Animal Welfare Act 2006.

(2) But managing a track is not an activity for the purposes of section 13(1) of the Animal Welfare Act 2006 if the operator is regulated in relation to the operation of that track by a body which—

- (a) is accredited by the United Kingdom Accreditation Service, or other signatory of the EA multi-lateral agreement⁽²⁾ of the European co-operation for Accreditation⁽³⁾, as demonstrating compliance with the ISO/IEC standard Guide 65:1996⁽⁴⁾ of the International Standards Organisation's standards for bodies operating product certification systems in relation to the service of the regulation of greyhound racing tracks; and
- (b) requires compliance by the operator with the requirements contained in the licensing conditions.

(2) The EA multi-lateral agreement can be found at <http://www.european-accreditation.org/n1/doc/EA-1-06.pdf>. A list of signatories to this Agreement can be found at: <http://www.european-accreditation.org/content/mla/scopes.htm>.

(3) EA Secretariat, 37 rue de Lyon, 75012 Paris, France or secretariat@european-accreditation.org.

(4) ISO Central Secretariat, International Organization for Standardization (ISO), 1 rue de Varembé, Case postale 56, CH-1211, Geneva 20, Switzerland.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Welfare of Racing Greyhounds Regulations 2010, PART 1.