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AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPROVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE GREYHOUND INDUSTRY, GREYHOUND RACING AND COURSING AND FOR THE BETTER CONTROL OF GREYHOUND RACE TRACKS AND COURSING GROUNDS; TO ESTABLISH A BOARD TO BE CALLED BORD NA gCON AND TO DEFINE ITS FUNCTIONS; TO MAKE PROVISION FOR THE OPERATION BY BORD NA gCON OF TOTALISATORS, FOR THE CHARGING OF FEES TO BE PAID BY PERSONS OPERATING GREYHOUND RACE TRACKS ON WHICH THE TOTALISATORS ARE INSTALLED AND FOR THE COLLECTION OF SUMS AND LEVIES OUT OF MONEYS STAKED BY MEANS OF THE TOTALISATORS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECONSTITUTION OF THE IRISH COURSING CLUB AND ITS RECOGNITION AS THE CONTROLLING AUTHORITY FOR THE BREEDING AND COURSING OF GREYHOUNDS; TO ASSIGN CERTAIN FUNCTIONS TO THE IRISH COURSING CLUB; TO MAKE PROVISION IN RELATION TO BOOKMAKERS ENGAGED IN COURSE BETTING WITH RESPECT TO GREYHOUNDS (INCLUDING PROVISION FOR THE IMPOSITION OF LEVIES ON BOOKMAKERS IN RELATION TO COURSE BETS AND PROVISION FOR THE CHARGING, OTHERWISE THAN WHILE SUCH LEVIES ARE IMPOSED, OF FEES TO BE PAID BY BOOKMAKERS ENGAGED IN COURSE BETTING); AND TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN MATTERS (INCLUDING THE MAKING OF CHARGES WITH RESPECT TO LICENCES AND PERMITS) CONNECTED WITH THE MATTERS AFORESAID. [28*th May,* 1958.]

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS AS FOLLOWS:—

PART I.

Preliminary and General.

Short title.

1. — This Act may be cited as the Greyhound Industry Act, 1958.

Interpretation.

2. — (1) In this Act—

F1**[**"Act of 2024" means the Gambling Regulation Act 2024;**]**

" authorised coursing ground " means a coursing ground at which authorised coursing meetings are held;

" authorised coursing meeting " means a coursing meeting authorised by the Club;

" authorised officer " means a person appointed in writing by the Board or the Club (as may be appropriate) to be an authorised officer for the purposes of this Act;

F1**[**"betting licence" has the same meaning as it has in the Act of 2024;**]**

F2**[**" betting office " means any premises at a greyhound race track in which betting is permitted by regulations under section 32D of this Act;**]**

F3**[**" Board " means Rásaoícht Con Éireann;**]**

" the Club " means the Irish Coursing Club;

" course bet " means—

(*a*) a bet entered into by a licensed bookmaker, during a greyhound race meeting held at a greyhound race track, on a greyhound race forming an item at that meeting, or

(*b*) a bet entered into by a licensed bookmaker, during an authorised coursing meeting (not being a meeting declared by the Board by regulations to be exempted as respects the levies provided for by this Act), on an event forming an item at that meeting;

" course-betting permit " has the meaning assigned to it in section 29;

" the establishment day " means the day appointed to be the establishment day for the purposes of this Act by order of the Minister made under section 3 of this Act;

" greyhound race " means a greyhound race (including trial and schooling) in which an object propelled by mechanical means is pursued;

" greyhound race track " means a greyhound race track on which greyhound races are held for reward;

" greyhound race track licence " has the meaning specified in section 22;

F1**[**"in-person and remote betting licence" has the same meaning as it has in the Act of 2024;**]**

F1**[**"in-person betting licence" has the same meaning as it has in the Act of 2024;**]**

"licensed bookmaker" means a person who is for the time being the holder of a bookmaker's licence issued to him under the Betting Act, 1931 (No. 27 of 1931);

F1**[**"licensed bookmaker" means a licensee (within the meaning of the Act of 2024) of an in-person betting licence or an in-person and remote betting licence for the time being in force under the Act of 2024 which licence authorises the licensee to act as a bookmaker (within the meaning of section 3 (2) of the Act of 2024);**]**

F3**[**"Minister" means Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine;**]**

F1**[**"pool betting" has the same meaning as it has in the Act of 2024;**]**

"precincts" means, in relation to an authorised coursing ground, any place adjacent to that coursing ground to which the public habitually resort for the purpose of watching coursing;

"prescribed" means prescribed by regulations made by the Board under this Act;

F4**[**"totalisator licence" means a betting licence to the extent that the licence authorises the licensee (within the meaning of the Act of 2024) of that licence to provide pool betting for an event, a series of events or a class of events;**]**

(2) A reference in this Act to a contravention of any provision includes, where appropriate, a reference to contravention of that provision by failing or refusing to comply therewith.

Annotations

Amendments:

F1 Inserted (5.02.2026) by *Gambling Regulation Act 2024* (35/2024), s. 262(1)(a)(i), S.I. No. 31 of 2026, art. (i)(iii)(I), subject to transitional provisions in subss. (2), (3).

F2 Inserted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 8(1), S.I. No. 211 of 1999, art. 2.

F3 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 3, S.I. No. 399 of 2020, art. 2(a).

F4 Substituted (5.02.2026) by *Gambling Regulation Act 2024* (35/2024), s. 262(1)(a)(ii), S.I. No. 31 of 2026, art. 2(i)(iii)(I), subject to transitional provisions in subss. (2), (3).

Modifications (not altering text):

C1 Functions transferred and references construed (1.05.2010) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2010* (S.I. No. 179 of 2010), arts. 2 and 3, in effect as per art. 1(2).

2. (1) The administration and business in connection with the exercise, performance or execution of any functions transferred by Article 3 are transferred to the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

(2) References to the Department of Arts, Sport and Tourism contained in any Act or instrument made thereunder and relating to any administration and business transferred by paragraph (1) shall, from the commencement of this Order, be read as references to the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

3. (1) The functions vested in the Minister for Arts, Sport and Tourism by or under —

(*a*) the Greyhound Industry Act 1958 (No. 12 of 1958),

...

are transferred to the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

(2) References to the Minister for Arts, Sport and Tourism contained in any Act or instrument made thereunder and relating to any functions transferred by this Article shall, from the commencement of this Order, be read as references to the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

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E1 Power pursuant to section exercised (21.11.1983) by *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption from Levy) Regulations 1983* (S.I. No. 345 of 1983), in effect as per reg. 3.

E2 Power pursuant to section exercised (7.10.1968) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 198 of 1968), in effect as per reg. 23(2).

E3 Previous affecting provision: functions transferred (18.06.2002) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2002* (S.I. No. 297 of 2002), arts. 3, 4, in effect as per art. 1(2), subject to transitional provisions in arts. 5-9; superseded as per C-note above.

E4 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (18.09.1978) by *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption from Levy) Regulations 1978* (S.I. No. 254 of 1978), in effect as per reg. 3; spent.

E5 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.09.1973) by *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption from Levy) Regulations 1973* (S.I. No. 223 of 1973), in effect as per reg. 3; spent.

E6 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (2.09.1968) by *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption from Levy) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 170 of 1968), in effect as per reg. 3; spent.

E7 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.01.1959) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) Regulations 1958* (S.I. No. 225 of 1958), in effect as per reg. 23(2); revoked (7.10.1968) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 198 of 1968), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 23(2).

Establishment day.

3. — The Minister may by order appoint a day to be the establishment day for the purposes of this Act.

Annotations

Editorial Notes:

E8 Power pursuant to section exercised (11.07.1958) by *Greyhound Industry Act 1958 (Establishment Day) Order 1958* (S.I. No. 150 of 1958).

Performance of functions of the Club.

4. — The functions vested in the Club by or under this Act shall be carried out—

(*a*) before the day appointed by the Minister under subsection (7) of section 26 of this Act—by the Standing Committee of the Club, and

(*b*) on and after that day—by the Executive Committee of the Club,

but, in the case of rules made under this Act, the rules shall not come into operation unless and until they are approved of at a general meeting of the Club.

Regulations and rules generally.

5. — (1) In all legal proceedings—

(*a*) the production of a document purporting to be a copy of any regulation made by the Board under this Act and to be certified to be a true copy by the chairman of the Board or the chief officer of the Board shall be sufficient evidence of the regulation and that any consultation requisite under this Act in relation thereto has been effected and no proof shall be required of the handwriting or official position of the person certifying the document,

(*b*) the production of a document purporting to be signed by an officer of the Minister and certifying that any specified regulation made by the Board under this Act was made with the consent of the Minister shall be sufficient evidence that the regulation was made with the consent of the Minister and no proof shall be required of the handwriting or official position of the person signing the document.

(2) In all legal proceedings—

(*a*) the production of a document purporting to be a copy of any rule made by the Club under this Act and to be certified to be a true copy by the president of the Club or the secretary of the Club shall be sufficient evidence of the rule and no proof shall be required of the handwriting or official position of the person certifying the document,

(*b*) the production of a document purporting to be signed by the president of the Club or the secretary of the Club and certifying that any specified rule made by the Club under this Act came into operation on a specified day shall be sufficient evidence that the rule came into operation on that day and no proof shall be required of the handwriting or official position of the person signing the document,

(*c*) the production of a document purporting to be signed by the chairman of the Board or the chief officer of the Board and certifying that any specified rule made by the Club under this Act was made with the consent of the Board shall be sufficient evidence that the rule was made with the consent of the Board and no proof shall be required of the handwriting or official position of the person signing the document.

(3) The Board may make regulations in relation to any matter or thing referred to in this Act as prescribed or to be prescribed.

(4) Every regulation made by the Board under this Act F5**[**or the Minister under section 36(1A)**]** shall be laid before each House of the Oireachtas as soon as may be after it is made, and if a resolution annulling the regulation is passed by either such House within the next twenty-one days on which that House has sat after the regulation is laid before it, the regulation shall be annulled accordingly, but without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done thereunder.

(5) Every rule made by the Club under section 25 or section 37 of this Act and approved of as provided for by section 4 of this Act shall be laid before each House of the Oireachtas as soon as may be after it is so approved of, and if a resolution annulling the rule is passed by either such House within the next twenty-one days on which that House has sat after the rule is laid before it, the rule shall be annulled accordingly, but without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done thereunder.

(6) Nothing in this section shall be construed as limiting or affecting the operation of section 4 of the Documentary Evidence Act, 1925 (No. 24 of 1925).

Annotations

Amendments:

F5 Inserted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(a), S.I. No. 399 of 2020, art. 2(e).

Editorial Notes:

E9 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (28.08.2021) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2021* (S.I. No. 263 of 2021), in effect as per reg. 8.

E10 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.02.2021) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2021* (S.I. No. 10 of 2021), in effect as per reg. 5.

E11 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (28.08.2020) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2020* (S.I. No. 317 of 2020), in effect as per reg. 8.

E12 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (28.08.2019) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2019* (S.I. No. 429 of 2019), in effect as per reg. 8.

E13 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.07.2018) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 2018* (S.I. No. 223 of 2018), in effect as per reg. 4

E14 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.04.2017) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2017* (S.I. No. 101 of 2017), in effect as per reg. (4).

E15 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.08.2016, 1.09.2016) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2016* (S.I. No. 440 of 2016), in effect as per reg. 8.

E16 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (8.06.2016) by *Greyhound Trainers' (Amendment) Regulations 2016* (S.I. No. 291 of 2016), in effect as per reg. 3.

E17 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.10.2015) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2015* (S.I. No. 396 of 2015), in effect as per reg. 5.

E18 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (5.08.2015) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2015* (S.I. No. 350 of 2015), in effect as per reg. (4).

E19 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (30.07.2012) by *Greyhound Race Track Totalisator (Quadlinko) Jackpot Regulations 2012* (S.I. No. 313 of 2012), in effect as per reg. 17.

E20 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.08.2009) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2009* (S.I. No. 402 of 2009), in effect as per reg. 2.

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E22 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (19.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), in effect as per reg. 37.

E23 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.12.1999) by *Dual Forecast Jackpot Regulations 1999* (S.I. No. 471 of 1999), in effect as per reg. 15.

E24 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (28.05.1997) by *Greyhound Race Track Totalisator (Super) (Trio) Jackpot Amendment Regulations 1997* (S.I. No. 223 of 1997), in effect as per reg. 2.

E25 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (27.03.1997) by *Greyhound Race Track Totalisator Super (Dual) Trio Jackpot Regulations 1997* (S.I. No. 139 of 1997), in effect as per reg. 16.

E26 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (2.11.1996) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) (Amendment) Regulations 1996* (S.I. No. 330 of 1996), in effect as per reg. 3.

E27 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (23.04.1996) by *Greyhound Race Track Totalisator (Super)(Trio) Jackpot Regulations 1996* (S.I. No. 111 of 1996), in effect as per reg. 17.

E28 Power pursuant to subs. (2) exercised (4.02.1991) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Amendment Regulations 1991* (S.I. No. 8 of 1991), in effect as per reg. (3).

E29 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.01.1990) by *Greyhound Trainers' (Amendment) Regulations 1989* (S.I. No. 335 of 1989), in effect as per reg. 3.

E30 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.01.1990) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1989* (S.I. No. 334 of 1989), in effect as per reg. 2.

E31 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (10.09.1984) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) (Amendment) Regulations 1984*(S.I. No. 227 of 1984), in effect as per reg. 3.

E32 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (2.04.1984) by *Greyhound Race Track (Bookmakers Admission Charges) (Revocation) Regulations 1984* (S.I. No. 77 of 1984), in effect as per reg. 3.

E33 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (21.11.1983) by *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption from Levy) Regulations 1983* (S.I. No. 345 of 1983), in effect as per reg. 3.

E34 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.01.1981) by *Greyhound Trainers' (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 371 of 1980), in effect as per reg. 3.

E35 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.10.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 299 of 1977), in effect as per reg. 5.

E36 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (7.03.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 53 of 1977), in effect as per reg. 5.

E37 Power pursuant to section exercised (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Permits for Persons performing Specified Functions) Regulations 1970* (S.I. No. 289 of 1970), in effect as per reg. 15(ii).

E38 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.03.1969) by *Greyhound Trainers' (Amendment) Regulations 1969* (S.I. No. 1 of 1969), in effect as per reg. 3.

E39 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (7.10.1968) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 198 of 1968), in effect as per reg. 23(2).

E40 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (10.02.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 31 of 1967), in effect as per reg. 6.

E41 Power pursuant to section exercised (2.05.1966) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds Regulations 1966* (S.I. No. 76 of 1966), in effect as per reg. 18(2).

E42 Power pursuant to section exercised (17.04.1961) by *Greyhound Trainers' Regulations 1961* (S.I. No. 58 of 1961), in effect as per reg. 13(2).

E43 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (28.08.2018) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2018* (S.I. No. 323 of 2018), in effect as per reg. 8; revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(g), S.I. No. 524 of 2022, subject to transitional provision in subs. (2).

E44 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (28.08.2017) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2017* (S.I. No. 387 of 2017), in effect as per reg. 8; revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(f), S.I. No. 524 of 2022, subject to transitional provision in subs. (2).

E45 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (15.09.2016) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2016* (S.I. No. 491 of 2016), in effect as per reg. 6; revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(e), S.I. No. 524 of 2022, subject to transitional provision in subs. (2).

E46 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.09.2016) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Amendment) Regulations 2016* (S.I. No. 441 of 2016), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(d), S.I. No. 524 of 2022, subject to transitional provision in subs. (2).

E47 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.10.2015) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Amendment) Regulations 2015* (S.I. No. 397 of 2015), in effect as per reg. 4(1), subject to transitional provision in para. (2); revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(c), S.I. No 524 of 2022, subject to transitional provision in subs. (2).

E48 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.10.2012) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2012* (S.I. No. 500 of 2012), in effect as per reg. 2; revoked (5.08.2015) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2015* (S.I. No. 350 of 2015), reg. (3), in effect as per reg. (4).

E49 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (21.01.2008) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Amendment) Regulations 2008* (S.I. No. 242 of 2008), in effect as per reg. 2; revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(b), S.I. No. 524 of 2022 subject to transitional provision in subs. (2).

E50 Previous affecting power pursuant to section exercised (14.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 301 of 2007), in effect as per reg. 2(2); revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(a), S.I. No. 524 of 2022 subject to transitional provision in subs. (2).

E51 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (28.02.2002) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment Regulations 2002* (S.I. No. 77 of 2002), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (19.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37.

E52 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (16.04.2001) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2001* (S.I. No. 39 of 2001); revoked (19.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37.

E53 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.09.1996) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1996* (S.I. No. 250 of 1996), in effect as per reg. 2; revoked (19.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37.

E54 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (3.12.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 352 of 1993); revoked (19.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37(2).

E55 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), in effect as per reg. 36(2); revoked (14.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37(2).

E56 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.07.1989) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1989* (S.I. No. 161 of 1989), in effect as per reg. 5; revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E57 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.06.1987) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 1987* (S.I. No. 121 of 1987), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (1.07.2018) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 2018* (S.I. No. 223 of 2018), reg. 2, in effect as per reg. 4.

E58 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (20.09.1982) by *Greyhound Race Track (Bookmakers Admission Charges) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 303 of 1982), in effect as per 5; revoked (2.04.1984) by *Greyhound Race Track (Bookmakers Admission Charges) (Revocation) Regulations 1984* (S.I. No. 77 of 1984), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 3.

E59 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (28.12.1981) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 1981* (S.I. No. 418 of 1981), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (1.06.1987) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 1987* (S.I. No. 121 of 1987), reg. 2, in effect as per reg. 4

E60 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (18.03.1981) by *Greyhound Race Track (Bookmakers Admission Charges) Regulations 1981* (S.I. No. 92 of 1981), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (20.09.1982) by *Greyhound Race Track (Bookmakers Admission Charges) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 303 of 1982), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E61 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.06.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 151 of 1980), in effect as per reg. 6; revoked (3.05.1982) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) (Revocation) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 102 of 1982), reg. 3, in effect as per reg. 2.

E62 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.06.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 150 of 1980), in effect as per reg. 5; revoked (3.05.1982) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) (Revocation) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 100 of 1982), reg. 3, in effect as per reg. 2.

E63 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (24.05.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 144 of 1980), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E64 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (4.02.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 33 of 1980), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (1.06.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 151 of 1980), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E65 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (4.02.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 32 of 1980), in effect as per reg. 5; revoked (1.06.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 150 of 1980), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E66 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (19.03.1979) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1979* (S.I. No. 54 of 1979), in effect as per reg. 6; revoked (4.02.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 32 of 1980), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4.

E67 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (18.09.1978) by *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption from Levy) Regulations 1978* (S.I. No. 254 of 1978), in effect as per reg. 3; spent.

E68 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (14.11.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1977*(S.I. No. 324 of 1977), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E69 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (7.03.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 54 of 1977), in effect as per reg. 5; revoked (19.03.1979) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1979* (S.I. No. 54 of 1979), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 6.

E70 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.01.1976) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1975* (S.I. No. 304 of 1975), in effect as per reg. 5; revoked (7.03.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 54 of 1977), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E71 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.01.1975) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1974* (S.I. No. 360 of 1974), in effect as per reg. 5; revoked (1.01.1976) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1975* (S.I. No. 304 of 1975), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E72 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.04.1974) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 1974* (S.I. No. 53 of 1974), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (1.06.1987) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 1987* (S.I. No. 121 of 1987), reg. 2, in effect as per reg. 4.

E73 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.09.1973) by *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption from Levy) Regulations 1973* (S.I. No. 223 of 1973), in effect as per reg. 3; spent.

E74 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.06.1972) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) Regulations 1972* (S.I. No. 119 of 1972), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (4.02.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 33 of 1980), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E75 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.06.1970) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1970* (S.I. No. 103 of 1970), in effect as per reg. 6; revoked (1.01.1975) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1974* (S.I. No. 360 of 1974), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E76 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (2.09.1968) by *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption from Levy) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 170 of 1968), in effect as per reg. 3; spent.

E77 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (25.03.1968) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 52 of 1968), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E78 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.07.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 133 of 1967), in effect as per reg. 36(2); revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E79 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.06.1966) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Quinella Treble Forecast) Regulations 1966* (S.I. No. 90 of 1966), in effect as per reg. 14(b); revoked (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 47 of 1971), reg. 73, in effect as per reg. 74(2).

E80 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.06.1966) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Twin Double) Regulations 1966* (S.I. No. 89 of 1966), in effect as per reg. 12(b); revoked (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 47 of 1971), reg. 73, in effect as per reg. 74(2).

E81 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (9.07.1965) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1965* (S.I. No. 133 of 1965), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (1.07.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 133 of 1967), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E82 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.08.1964) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) (Amendment) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 170 of 1964), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (7.10.1968) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 198 of 1968), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 23(2).

E83 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (15.06.1964) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 132 of 1964), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (22.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 69 of 1971), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4.

E84 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (15.06.1964) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 131 of 1964), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (4.04.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 91 of 1977), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4.

E85 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.05.1964) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 77 of 1964), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (10.02.1067) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 31 of 1967), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 6.

E86 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.04.1964) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Quinella Treble Forecast) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 40 of 1964); revoked (1.06.1966) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Quinella Treble Forecast) Regulations 1966* (S.I. No. 90 of 1966, reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 14(b).

E87 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.09.1963) by *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption from Levy) Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 122 of 1963), in effect as per reg. 3; spent.

E88 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.07.1963) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 111 of 1963), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (1.07.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 133 of 1967), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E89 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.06.1963) by *Greyhound Race Track (Special Exemption) Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 73 of 1963), in effect as per 3; rendered obsolete by revocation of *Greyhound Race Track (Permits For Persons Performing Specified Functions) Regulations 1959* (S.I. No. 10 of 1959) (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Permits For Persons Performing Specified Functions) Regulations 1970* (S.I. No. 289 of 1970), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 11(ii), and revocation of *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1960* (S.I. No. 64 of 1960) (1.07.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 133 of 1967), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E90 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.04.1963) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 34 of 1963), in effect as per reg. 24(2); revoked (2.05.1966) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds Regulations 1966* (S.I. No. 76 of 1966), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 18(2).

E91 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (19.03.1963) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) (Amendment) Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 33 of 1963), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 47 of 1971), reg. 73, in effect as per reg. 74(2).

E92 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.09.1960) by *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption from Levy) Regulations 1960* (S.I. No. 153 of 1960), in effect as per reg. 3; spent.

E93 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (16.04.1960) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1960* (S.I. No. 65 of 1960), in effect as per reg. 38(2); revoked (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 47 of 1971), reg. 73, in effect as per reg. 74(2).

E94 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (16.04.1960) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1960* (S.I. No. 64 of 1960), in effect as per reg. 35(2); revoked (1.07.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 133 of 1967) reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E95 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.02.1959) by *Greyhound Industry Act 1958 Greyhound Race Track (Permits For Persons Performing Specified Functions) Regulations 1959* (S.I. No. 10 of 1959), in effect as per reg. 9(ii); revoked (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Permits For Persons Performing Specified Functions) Regulations 1970* (S.I. No. 289 of 1970), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 11(ii).

E96 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.01.1959) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) Regulations 1958* (S.I. No. 225 of 1958), in effect as per reg. 23(2); revoked (7.10.1968) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 198 of 1968), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 23(2).

E97 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (18.11.1958) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations, 1958* (S.I. No. 228 of 1958), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (15.01.1964) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 131 of 1964), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4.

PART II.

BORD NA GCON.

Establishment of the Board.

6. — (1) There shall, by virtue of this section, be established on the establishment day a board to be styled and known as Bord na gCon to fulfil the functions assigned to it by this Act.

(2) The Board shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and an official seal (which shall be judicially noticed) and power to sue and be sued in its corporate name and to hold land.

Annotations

Modifications (not altering text):

C2 References to Bord na gCon construed (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 8, S.I. No. 399 of 2020, art. 2(b).

8. (1) The name of the board (established by section 6 of the Principal Act) the present name of which is Bord na gCon, shall be Rásaíocht Con Éireann.

(2) References in any enactment, statutory instrument or legal proceedings or any other document to Bord na gCon shall, on and from the commencement of this section, be read as references to Rásaíocht Con Éireann.

F6**[**Constitution of Board.

7. — (1) The membership of the Board shall consist of —

(*a*) a chairperson, and

(*b*) 8 ordinary members, who have, in the opinion of the Minister, experience of or shown capacity in matters relevant to the functions of the Board.

(2) The Minister shall, insofar as practicable and having regard to the relevant experience of the persons concerned, ensure an equitable balance between men and women in the composition of the membership of the Board.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F6 Substituted (1.03.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 9(1), S.I. No. 80 of 2022.

F7**[**Members of Board.

8. — (1) The Minister shall appoint the members of the Board, having regard to Government policy and procedures.

(2) Of the ordinary members of the Board —

(*a*) one or more than one shall be a veterinary practitioner of at least 5 years standing, and

(*b*) one or more than one shall be a person with a detailed knowledge of the greyhound industry.

(3) The chairperson of the Board shall hold office for the period of 5 years from the date of his or her appointment.

(4) Subject to subsection (4), an ordinary member of the Board shall hold office for the period of 3 years from the date of his or her appointment.

(5) On the commencement of section 9 of the Greyhound Racing Act 2019 any member of the Board with less than 3 years service on the Board from his or her first or subsequent appointment, shall continue as a member of the Board until he or she has served 3 years.

(6) A person who has served 2 consecutive terms of office as a member of the Board is not eligible for re-appointment.

(7) A member of the Board to whom subsection (4) applies may, subject to subsection (5), be eligible to be re-appointed as an ordinary member of the Board under this section.

(8) A member of the Board, subject to this Act, holds office upon such terms and conditions (including terms and conditions relating to remuneration, expenses and allowances) as the Minister, with the consent of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, determines.

(9) If a member of the Board dies, resigns, ceases to be qualified for office and ceases to hold office, or is removed from office, the Minister may appoint a person to be a member of the Board to fill the casual vacancy so occasioned.

(10) A person appointed to be a member of the Board under subsection (8) holds office for that period of the term of office of the member who occasioned the casual vacancy that remains unexpired at the date of his or her appointment and is eligible for reappointment as a member of the Board for one term of office on the expiry of that period.

(11) Where a member of the Board, whose term of office has expired, has not been reappointed or may not be reappointed by virtue of having served 2 consecutive terms, the member shall continue in office until the vacancy occasioned by him or her is filled by the appointment of another person.

(12) The Board may act notwithstanding any vacancy in its membership.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F7 Substituted (1.03.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 9(1), S.I. No. 80 of 2022.

F8**[**Conditions of office of members of Board.

9. — (1) The Minister may at any time remove a member of the Board from office for stated reasons including if, in the opinion of the Minister —

(*a*) the member —

(i) becomes incapable through ill health of effectively performing his or her duties, or

(ii) breaches the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies or other such codes or policy documents that may issue from time to time by a member of the Government,or

(*b*) the removal is necessary for the effective performance of the functions of the Board.

(2) A member of the Board may resign from office by letter addressed to the Minister and the resignation takes effect when the Minister receives the letter.

(3) A member of the Board ceases to hold office if

(*a*) he or she is adjudicated bankrupt,

(*b*) he or she makes a composition or arrangement with a creditor,

(*c*) he or she is convicted of an offence under the Non-Fatal Offences against the Person Act 1997 or an offence involving cruelty to an animal or relating to animal welfare,

(*d*) he or she is the subject of an exclusion order,

(*e*) he or she is convicted of an indictable offence in relation to a company or an existing company (within the meaning of the Companies Act 2014),

(*f*) he or she is convicted of an offence involving fraud or dishonesty,

(*g*) he or she is sentenced to a term of imprisonment by a court of competent jurisdiction, or

(*h*) he or she is the subject of an order under section 842 of the Companies Act 2014.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F8 Substituted (1.03.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 9(1), S.I. No. 80 of 2022.

Editorial Notes:

E98 Previous affecting provision: subss. (2)-(5) substituted and subs. (2A) inserted (1.01.1994) by *Greyhound Industry (Amendment) Act 1993* (37/1993), s. 2(a), commenced as per subs. (2); repealed by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 9(2), S.I. No. 80 of 2022.

Meetings and procedure of the Board.

10. — (1) The Board shall hold such and so many meetings as may be necessary for the due fulfilment of its functions and the first meeting shall be held on, or as soon as conveniently may be after, the establishment day.

F9**[**(2) The quorum for a meeting of the Board is 6.**]**

(3) At a meeting of the Board—

(*a*) the chairman of the Board shall, if present, be chairman of the meeting,

(*b*) if and so long as the chairman of the Board is not present or if the office of chairman is vacant, the members of the Board who are present shall choose one of their number to be chairman of the meeting.

(4) Every question at a meeting of the Board shall be determined by a majority of the votes of the members present and voting on the question, and, in case of an equal division of votes, the chairman of the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.

(5) The Board may act notwithstanding one or more than one vacancy among its members.

(6) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Board shall regulate, by standing orders or otherwise, the procedure and business of the Board.

Annotations

Amendments:

F9 Substituted (1.03.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 10, S.I. No. 80 of 2022.

Officers and servants of the Board.

11. — (1) Subject to subsection (2) of this section, the Board may appoint such and so many officers and servants as it shall from time to time think proper.

(2) F10**[**...**]**

(3) The Board may at any time remove any officer or servant of the Board from being such officer or servant.

(4) There shall be paid by the Board to its officers and servants such remuneration and allowances as the Board may determine.

(5) An officer of the Board—

(*a*) shall not be beneficially interested in the ownership, control or operation of greyhound race tracks, the holding or conduct of public sales of greyhounds or the training of greyhounds for reward or in bookmaking, and

(*b*) when present on behalf of the Board at any race track meeting or coursing meeting, shall not engage in betting at the meeting or be beneficially interested in the ownership of a greyhound competing in a race or event at the meeting.

Annotations

Amendments:

F10 Deleted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 15(7), S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

Offices of the Board.

12. — (1) For the purpose of providing offices and premises necessary for the due performance of its functions, the Board may—

(*a*) purchase or take on lease land,

(*b*) build, equip and maintain offices and premises.

(2) The Board may sell or lease any offices or premises held by it which are no longer required for the due performance of its functions.

Committees of the Board.

13. — (1) The Board may from time to time appoint such and so many committees as it thinks proper.

(2) The Board may delegate to a committee of the Board any of its functions which, in its opinion, can be better or more conveniently performed by a committee, and may regulate the procedure of any such committee.

(3) A committee of the Board shall consist of such number of members as the Board thinks proper and may, at the discretion of the Board, F11**[**include or consist of persons who are not members of the Board**]**.

(4) The acts of a committee of the Board shall be subject to confirmation by the Board save where the Board dispenses with the necessity for such confirmation.

F12**[**(5) The Board shall decide the terms of reference of any committee of the Board.

(6) The Board may appoint a person to be chairman of a committee of the Board.

(7) A member of a committee of the Board who fails to perform his functions may be removed at any time by the Board.

(8) The Board may at any time dissolve a committee of the Board.

(9) There shall be paid out of the income of the Board to members of a committee of the Board such allowances for expenses incurred by them in the discharge of their functions as the Board may determine, with the consent of the Minister and the Minister for Finance.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F11 Substituted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 9(a), S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

F12 Inserted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 9(b), S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

Modifications (not altering text):

C3 Functions transferred (in part) and references construed (29.07.2011) by *Finance (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2011* (S.I. No. 418 of 2011), arts. 2, 3(a), 5 and sch. part 2, in effect as per art. 1(2), subject to transitional provisions in arts. 6-8.

2. (1) The administration and business in connection with the performance of any functions transferred by this Order are transferred to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform.

(2) References to the Department of Finance contained in any Act or instrument made thereunder and relating to the administration and business transferred by paragraph (1) shall, on and after the commencement of this Order, be construed as references to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform.

3. The functions conferred on the Minister for Finance by or under the provisions of —

(*a*) the enactments specified in Schedule 1, and

(*b*) the statutory instruments specified in Schedule 2,

are transferred to the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform.

SCHEDULE

Part 2

...

Greyhound Industry Act 1958 (No. 12 of 1958) Sections 13(9), 18B and C and 19(1) and (2)

...

The history of the Ministers concerned with Finance aspects of the *Greyhound Industry Act 1958* can be traced as follows:

- Functions transferred and title of Minister for **Finance** changed to **Public Expenditure and Reform** (29.07.2011) by *Finance (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2011* (S.I. No. 418 of 2025);
- Title of Minister for **Public Expenditure and Reform** changed to **Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform** (1.02.2023) by *Public Expenditure and Reform (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2023* (S.I. No. 19 of 2023), in operation as per art. 1(2);
- Title of Minister for **Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform** changed to **Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation** (5.06.2025) by *Public Expenditure,*

National Development Plan Delivery and Reform (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2025 (S.I. No. 243 of 2025).

Editorial Notes:

E99 Power pursuant to section exercised (28.08.2021) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2021* (S.I. No. 263 of 2021), in effect as per reg. 8.

E100 Power pursuant to section exercised (28.08.2020) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2020* (S.I. No. 317 of 2020), in effect as per reg. 8.

E101 Power pursuant to section exercised (28.08.2019) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2019* (S.I. No. 429 of 2019), in effect as per reg. 8.

E102 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (28.08.2018) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2018* (S.I. No. 323 of 2018), in effect as per reg. 8; revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(g), S.I. No. 524 of 2022, subject to transitional provision in subs. (2).

E103 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (28.08.2017) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2017* (S.I. No. 387 of 2017), in effect as per reg. 8; revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(f), S.I. No. 524 of 2022, subject to transitional provision in subs. (2).

E104 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (15.09.2016) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2016* (S.I. No. 491 of 2016), in effect as per reg. 6; revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(e), S.I. No. 524 of 2022, subject to transitional provision in subs. (2).

E105 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.09.2016) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Amendment) Regulations 2016* (S.I. No. 441 of 2016), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(d), S.I. No. 524 of 2022, subject to transitional provision in subs. (2).

E106 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.10.2015) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Amendment) Regulations 2015* (S.I. No. 397 of 2015), in effect as per reg. 4(1), subject to transitional provision in para. (2); revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(c), S.I. No. 524 of 2022, subject to transitional provision in subs. (2).

E107 Previous affecting provision: previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (21.01.2008) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Amendment) Regulations 2008* (S.I. No. 242 of 2008), in effect as per reg. 2; revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(b), S.I. No. 524 of 2022.

E108 Previous affecting provision: previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (14.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 301 of 2007), in effect as per reg. 2(2); revoked (20.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 7(1)(a), S.I. No. 524 of 2022.

E109 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), in effect as per reg. 36(2); revoked (14.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37(2).

E110 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (3.12.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 352 of 1993); revoked (19.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37(2).

E111 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (25.03.1968) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 52 of 1968), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E112 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.07.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 133 of 1967), in effect as per reg. 36(2); revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

Minutes.

14. —Minutes shall be kept of every meeting of the Board and of every meeting of any committee of the Board.

Seal of the Board.

15. — (1) The Board shall as soon as may be after its establishment provide itself with a seal.

(2) The seal of the Board shall be authenticated by the signature of the chairman of the Board or some other member thereof authorised by the Board to act in that behalf and the signature of an officer of the Board authorised by the Board to act in that behalf.

Application of funds of the Board.

16. — (1) The Board may apply its funds for all or any of the following purposes:

(*a*) the payment of expenses incurred by it in the exercise and performance of its powers and duties under this Act,

(*b*) the payment of any moneys in accordance with the terms of any totalisator licence held by it,

(*c*) the making of payments, grants or loans for all or any one or more of the following purposes:

(i) the increase of stake money and prizes at greyhound race meetings at greyhound race tracks and authorised coursing meetings,

(ii) the reduction of entry fees and similar charges in respect of greyhounds competing in events forming items at such meetings,

(iii) the carriage of greyhounds competing in such events,

(iv) the improvement of greyhound race tracks, authorised coursing grounds and the amenities thereof,

(v) the preservation of hares, and the care and management of hares in connection with authorised coursing meetings,

(vi) assisting the Club in the performance of its functions or contributing to the cost of schemes operated by the Club for the improvement and development of greyhound breeding and coursing,

(vii) any purpose conducive to the development of the export trade in greyhounds,

F13**[**(viii) any other purpose conducive to the improvement and development of the greyhound industry,

(ix) the enhancement of the health and welfare of greyhounds.**]**

(2) The Board may attach to any grant or loan made or proposed to be made by it under this section such conditions as the Board thinks proper.

Annotations

Amendments:

F13 Substituted and inserted (1.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 16, S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

Power of the Board to borrow.

17. — F14**[**...**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F14 Repealed (1.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 17(2), S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

Editorial Notes:

E113 Previous affecting provision: functions under section transferred (6.07.2011, appointed day) by *Ministers and Secretaries (Amendment) Act 2011* (10/2011), s. 9(3) and sch. 2 part 1, commenced as per reg. 1(2) and S.I. No. 401 of 2011; section repealed as per F-note above.

Investment of funds of the Board.

18. — The Board may invest moneys in its hands from time to time in any manner in which moneys of the Post Office Savings Bank are authorised by law to be invested.

F15**[**Charges by Board

18A.—(1) The Board may make such charges, as it considers necessary and appropriate in consideration of —

(*a*) the performance by it of its functions,

(*b*) the provision by it of any service,

(*c*) the carrying on by it of any activities, and

(*d*) the application for or the granting of any greyhound race track licence or course-betting permit.

(2) The Board may recover as a simple contract debt in any court of competent jurisdiction from any person by whom it is payable any amount due and owing under subsection (1) of this section.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F15 Inserted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 10, S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

F16**[**Establishment of companies by Board.

18B.—(1)The Board may, either by itself or with another person, with the consent of the Minister and the Minister for Finance, and subject to any conditions of either of those Ministers, promote and take part in the formation or establishment of a company under the Companies Acts, 1963 to 1999 —

(*a*) to perform any of the functions conferred upon it by this Act, or

F17**[**(*b*) to provide pool betting in accordance with the terms of a totalisator licence held by the Board.**]**

(2) The Board may exercise total or partial control of the board of directors, by whatever name called, of a company of the Board that controls or manages the company.

(3) The memorandum and articles of association of a company shall be in such form consistent with this Act as may be approved of by the Board with the consent of the Minister and the Minister for Finance.

(4) A company of the Board shall make such reports and in such manner for the Board as it may require.

(5) A company may enter into joint ventures with other persons.

(6) The chief officer of a company shall hold office on and subject to such terms and conditions (including terms and conditions relating to remuneration) as may be approved of by the board of directors (or other authority, by whatever name called, that controls any such company) with the consent of the Board, the Minister and the Minister for Finance.

(7) In this section "company" means a company established under this section.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F16 Inserted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 10, S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

F17 Substituted (5.02.2026) by *Gambling Regulation Act 2024* (35/2024), s. 262(1)(b), S.I. No. 31 of 2026, art. 2(i)(iii)(I), subject to transitional provisions in subss. (2), (3).

Modifications (not altering text):

C4 Functions transferred (in part) and references construed (29.07.2011) by *Finance (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2011* (S.I. No. 418 of 2011), arts. 2, 3(a), 5 and sch. part 2, in effect as per art. 1(2), subject to transitional provisions in arts. 6-8.

2. (1) The administration and business in connection with the performance of any functions transferred by this Order are transferred to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform.

(2) References to the Department of Finance contained in any Act or instrument made thereunder and relating to the administration and business transferred by paragraph (1) shall, on and after the commencement of this Order, be construed as references to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform.

3. The functions conferred on the Minister for Finance by or under the provisions of —

(*a*) the enactments specified in Schedule 1, and

(*b*) the statutory instruments specified in Schedule 2,

are transferred to the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform.

SCHEDULE

Part 2

...

Greyhound Industry Act 1958 (No. 12 of 1958) Sections 13(9), 18B and C and 19(1) and (2)

...

The history of the Ministers concerned with Finance aspects of the *Greyhound Industry Act 1958* can be traced as follows:

- Functions transferred and title of Minister for **Finance** changed to **Public Expenditure and Reform** (29.07.2011) by *Finance (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2011* (S.I. No. 418 of 2025);
- Title of Minister for **Public Expenditure and Reform** changed to **Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform** (1.02.2023) by *Public Expenditure and Reform (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2023* (S.I. No. 19 of 2023), in operation as per art. 1(2);
- Title of Minister for **Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform** changed to **Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation** (5.06.2025) by *Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2025* (S.I. No. 243 of 2025).

F18**[**Board may acquire, etc. shares in, and become member of, company.

18C.—The Board may, with the consent of the Minister and the Minister for Finance, acquire, hold and dispose of shares or other interests in a company and become a member of a company (within the meaning of the Companies Acts, 1963 to 1999, or the laws of another jurisdiction corresponding to those Acts).**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F18 Inserted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s.10, S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

Modifications (not altering text):

C5 Functions transferred (in part) and references construed (29.07.2011) by *Finance (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2011* (S.I. No. 418 of 2011), arts. 2, 3(a), 5 and sch. part 2, in effect as per art. 1(2), subject to transitional provisions in arts. 6-8.

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F19**[**Collection of fees and charges on behalf of Board.

18D.—(1) The Club shall, following a request in that behalf made by the Board, collect such fees, levies or charges in the name of the Board, as the Board may, from time to time, specify in such request.

(2) All sums collected under this section shall be paid to the Board in such manner and at such times as the Board may, in writing direct.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F19 Inserted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 10, S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

Accounts and reports of the Board.

F20**[19.** — F21**[**(1) The Board and its subsidiaries shall keep in such form and in respect of such accounting periods as may be approved of by the Minister, with the consent of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, all proper and usual accounts of moneys received or expended by it, including an income and expenditure account and a balance sheet.**]**

(2) Accounts kept in pursuance of this section shall be submitted not later than 3 months after the end of the accounting period to which they relate by the Board to the Comptroller and Auditor General for audit and, immediately after the audit, a copy of the income and expenditure account, the balance sheet and such other (if any) accounts kept pursuant to this section as the Minister, after consultation with the Minister for Finance, may direct and a copy of the Comptroller and Auditor General's report on the accounts shall be presented to the Minister who shall cause copies thereof to be laid before each House of the Oireachtas.

(3) The chief executive officer of the Board shall, whenever required to do so by the Committee of Dáil Éireann established under the Standing Orders of Dáil Éireann to examine and report to Dáil Éireann on the appropriation accounts and reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General, give evidence to that Committee on—

(*a*) the regularity and propriety of the transactions recorded or required to be recorded in any book or other record of account subject to audit by the Comptroller and Auditor General which the Board is required by this Act to prepare,

(*b*) the economy and efficiency of the Board in the use of its resources,

(*c*) the systems, procedures and practices employed by the Board for the purpose of evaluating the effectiveness of its operations, and

(*d*) any matter affecting the Board referred to in a special report of the Comptroller and Auditor General under section 11(2) of the Comptroller and Auditor General (Amendment) Act, 1993, or in any other report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (in so far as it relates to a matter specified in paragraph (a), (b) or (c)) that is laid before Dáil Éireann.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F20 Substituted (2.07.2001) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing Act 2001* (20/2001), s. 14, commenced on enactment.

F21 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 18, S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

Modifications (not altering text):

C6 Functions transferred (in part) and references construed (29.07.2011) by *Finance (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2011* (S.I. No. 418 of 2011), arts. 2, 3(a), 5 and sch. part 2, in effect as per art. 1(2), subject to transitional provisions in arts. 6-8.

2. (1) The administration and business in connection with the performance of any functions transferred by this Order are transferred to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform.

(2) References to the Department of Finance contained in any Act or instrument made thereunder and relating to the administration and business transferred by paragraph (1) shall, on and after the commencement of this Order, be construed as references to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform.

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• Functions transferred and title of Minister for **Finance** changed to **Public Expenditure and Reform** (29.07.2011) by *Finance (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2011* (S.I. No. 418 of 2025);

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F22**[**Compliance by Bord na gCon with State Bodies Code of Practice

19A. (1) The Board shall, whenever so requested by the Minister, furnish to him or her, information in relation to such matters as he or she may specify concerning or relating to the scope of its activities (including its compliance with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies issued by the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform or other such codes or policy documents that may issue from time to time by a member of the Government) or its strategy, generally or in respect of any account prepared by the Board under section 19 or the policy and activities, other than day to day activities, of the Board.

(2) The Minister may give a direction to the Board in relation to its compliance with a code or policy document referred to in subsection (1).

(3) The Minister may require the Board and the Club to agree procedures to ensure compliance with Government codes of practice, guidelines and policy documents and provision of financial and other information in relation to any matter funded by the Board.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F22 Inserted (1.01.2017) by *Horse Racing Ireland Act 2016* (2/2016), s. 15, S.I. No. 629 of 2016.

Editorial Notes:

E114 The section heading is taken from the amending section in the absence of one included in the amendment.

Totalisator licence.

20. — (1) The Board may apply for and hold a totalisator licence.

(2) F23**[**...**]**.

Annotations

Amendments:

F23 Repealed (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 13(a), S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

PART III.

GREYHOUND RACING.

Restriction on operating greyhound race track.

F24**[21.** — (1) A person (other than the Board) shall not operate a greyhound race track except under a greyhound race track licence.

(2) A person who contravenes subsection (1) commits an offence and is liable —

(*a*) on summary conviction to a class A fine, or

(*b*) on conviction on indictment, to a fine not exceeding €250,000.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F24 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 19(1), S.I. No. 399 of 2020. A class A fine means a fine not exceeding €5,000 as provided (4.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 4(1), S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Editorial Notes:

E115 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.02.1959) by *Greyhound Race Track (Appointed Day) Order 1959* (S.I. No. 2 of 1959).

E116 Previous affecting provision: subs. (2) substituted and subs. (2A) inserted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(1), S.I. No. 211 of 1999; section substituted as per F-note above.

Greyhound race track licences.

22. — (1) The Board may grant or, subject to subsections (2) and (3) of this section, refuse to grant an application for a licence to operate a greyhound race track (in this Act referred to as a greyhound race track licence).

(2) Where—

(*a*) an application for a greyhound race track licence is made in respect of a greyhound race track which was affiliated to the Club in the year 1957, and

(*b*) the application is not made after a greyhound race track licence previously granted in respect of that track has been revoked,

the application shall be granted.

(3) Where the Board proposes to refuse an application for a greyhound race track licence, the Board shall serve notice of the proposal F25**[**and the reasons for the refusal**]** on the applicant and shall, if any representations are made in writing by the applicant within seven days, consider the representations.

(4) Where an individual who is the licensee under a greyhound race track licence dies, the licence shall devolve upon the legal personal representative of the individual as part of his personal estate and the legal personal representative shall become and be for all purposes the licensee under the licence.

(5) Where the greyhound race track to which a greyhound race track licence relates has been transferred to or becomes vested in a person other than the licensee under the licence, the Board may, if it so thinks fit, on the application of the licensee or the legal personal representative or the liquidator of the licensee, transfer the licence to the person to or in whom the greyhound race track has been transferred or become vested.

Annotations

Amendments:

F25 Inserted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(b), S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

Conditions attached to greyhound race track licence.

23. — (1) F26**[**Subject to the Act of 2024, the Board may**]**, on the grant of a greyhound race track licence, attach any condition to the licence.

(2) F26**[**Subject to the Act of 2024, the Board may**]**, by notice served on the licensee under a greyhound race track licence—

(*a*) revoke any condition attached to the licence,

(*b*) vary any condition attached to the licence,

(*c*) attach any new condition to the licence.

(3) Different conditions may be attached under this section to different licences and, in particular, the conditions may include—

(*a*) conditions as to the days on and the times at which races may take place,

(*b*) conditions as to the number of persons performing particular classes of functions on greyhound race tracks who must be in attendance at races,

(*c*) conditions as to the provision of suitable facilities to enable authorised officers in attendance at races duly to perform their functions,

(*d*) F26**[**conditions as to permitting the Board, as the holder of a totalisator licence, to provide pool betting**]** on greyhound race tracks on such sites as the Board may decide to be suitable and, where they are set up, as to provision by licensees of suitable arrangements for bookmakers in places convenient and suitable for carrying on their business (such arrangements to be determined, in default of agreement between bookmakers and licensees, by the Board).

(4) The Board shall not, pursuant to a condition referred to in paragraph (*d*) of subsection (3) of this section, decide that a site is F26**[**suitable for providing pool betting**]** save after consultation with the licensee concerned.

(5) F27**[**...**]**

(6) Where the licensee under a greyhound race track licence does not comply with any condition attached to the licence, he shall, without prejudice to the power to suspend or revoke the licence, be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to a F28**[**class A fine**]**.

Annotations

Amendments:

F26 Substituted (5.02.2026) by *Gambling Regulation Act 2024* (35/2024), s. 262(1)(c)(i)-(iv), S.I. No. 31 of 2026, art. 2(i)(iii)(I), subject to transitional provisions in subss. (2), (3).

F27 Repealed (1.12.1992) by *Greyhound Industry (Amendment) Act 1993* (37/1993), s. 4(1), commenced as per subs. (2).

F28 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(c), S.I. No. 399 of 2020. A class A fine means a fine not exceeding €5,000 as provided (4.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 4(1), S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Modifications (not altering text):

C7 Subs. (6) repealed in so far as that subsection relates to non-compliance with a condition attached to a greyhound race track licence referred to in subs. (5) (1.12.1992) by *Greyhound Industry (Amendment) Act 1993* (37/1993), s. 4(1), commenced as per subs. (2).

Repeals.

4.—(1) Subsections (5) and (6) (insofar as that subsection relates to non-compliance with a condition attached to a greyhound race track licence referred to in the said subsection (5)) of section 23 of the Principal Act are hereby repealed.

(2) This section shall be deemed to have come into operation on the 1st day of December, 1992.

Editorial Notes:

E117 Previous affecting provision: maximum fine in subs. (6) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 1, S.I. No. 211 of 1999; fine substituted as per F-note above.

Revocation or suspension of greyhound race track licence.

24. — (1) Where—

(*a*) the licensee under a greyhound race track licence fails to comply with a condition attached to the licence,

(*b*) the licensee under a greyhound race track licence is convicted of an offence under this Act, or

(*c*) the Board is satisfied that the greyhound race track to which a greyhound race track licence relates is conducted in a disorderly manner, is in a condition dangerous to persons frequenting the track or has ceased to be used for greyhound races,

the Board may, subject to subsection (2) of this section, suspend for such time as it thinks fit or revoke the licence.

(2) Where the Board proposes to suspend or revoke a greyhound race track licence, the Board shall serve notice of the proposal F29**[**and the reasons for the suspension or revocation**]** on the licensee and shall, if any representations are made in writing within seven days, consider the representations.

Annotations

Amendments:

F29 Inserted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(d), S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

Regulations and rules in relation to greyhound race tracks.

25. — (1) The Board may by regulations make provision with respect to the establishment, layout, construction, maintenance, equipment, use, management and control of greyhound race tracks and the conduct generally of greyhound races at such tracks.

(2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1) of this section, regulations under this section may provide for—

(*a*) prohibiting persons from performing the functions of racing manager, handicapper, judge, steward, time-keeper or hare-driver on greyhound race tracks save under and in accordance with permits granted by the Board at its discretion,

(*b*) the making by the Board of charges in respect of the grant, retention or renewal of such permits,

(*c*) the attachment of conditions to permits,

(*d*) the suspension and revocation of such permits,

(*e*) requiring the provision of persons to perform specified functions on greyhound race tracks and prohibiting greyhound races except when such persons and specified officers of the Board are in attendance,

(*f*) prohibiting persons performing specified classes of functions on greyhound race tracks from having any beneficial interest in the income of the respective greyhound race tracks or in the ownership of greyhounds raced thereon or from betting on greyhound races thereon,

(*g*) prohibiting licensees under greyhound race track licences and persons performing specified functions on greyhound race tracks from having any beneficial interest in bookmaking on the respective greyhound race tracks,

(*h*) the periods of the year during which greyhound races on greyhound race tracks may take place,

(*i*) the refusal of entries for races at greyhound race tracks in the case of greyhounds in respect of which disqualification orders under section 45 of this Act are in force,

(*j*) the procedure as to, and the conditions precedent to, the acceptance of greyhounds for, and their participation in, races at greyhound race tracks,

(*k*) the procedure as to the grading of greyhounds for participation in races at greyhound race tracks and the conditions precedent to their acceptance for, and their participation in, graded races,

(*l*) the publication, by licensees under greyhound race track licences, and sale of race cards for races at greyhound race tracks and the information to be given in the cards both as regards the greyhounds participating in races and otherwise,

(*m*) the keeping and the supervision of greyhounds immediately before and after their participation in races at greyhound race tracks,

(*n*) the manner of starting, operating the mechanism of, timing and judging of races at greyhound race tracks,

(*o*) the recording and publication by licensees under greyhound race track licences of information relating to the participation and performance (including behaviour) of greyhounds in races at greyhound race tracks,

(*p*) requiring the keeping in relation to greyhound race tracks of specified books, accounts and records,

(*q*) requiring the production of such books, accounts and records and permitting inspection of and taking of copies of or extracts from such books, accounts and records,

(*r*) requiring the furnishing to the Board of specified returns and information in relation to greyhound race tracks.

(3) Where, pursuant to paragraph (*f*) of subsection (2) of this section, the Board proposes to make regulations prohibiting persons performing any of the functions mentioned in paragraph (*a*) of that subsection from having any beneficial interest in the income of greyhound race tracks, the Board shall serve notice of the proposal on every licensee under a greyhound race track licence and shall, if any representations are made in writing by any such licensee within twenty-eight days, consider the representations.

(4) If, in relation to a greyhound race track, there is a contravention of any regulation under this section, the licensee under the greyhound race track licence relating to the track shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

(5) The Club may by rules make provision with respect to the use, management and control of greyhound race tracks and the conduct generally of greyhound races at such tracks.

(6) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of subsection (5) of this section, rules under this section may provide for—

(*a*) requiring the provision of persons to perform specified functions on greyhound race tracks and prohibiting greyhound races except when such persons and specified officers of the Club are in attendance,

(*b*) the periods of the year during which greyhound races on greyhound race tracks may take place,

(*c*) the refusal of entries for races at greyhound race tracks in the case of greyhounds in respect of which disqualification orders under section 45 of this Act are in force,

(*d*) the procedure as to, and the conditions precedent to, the acceptance of greyhounds for, and their participation in, races at greyhound race tracks,

(*e*) the procedure as to the grading of greyhounds for participation in races at greyhound race tracks and the conditions precedent to their acceptance for, and their participation in, graded races,

(*f*) the publication, by licensees under greyhound race track licences, and sale of race cards for races at greyhound race tracks and the information to be given in the cards both as regards the greyhounds participating in races and otherwise,

(*g*) the keeping and the supervision of greyhounds immediately before and after their participation in races at greyhound race tracks,

(*h*) the manner of starting, operating the mechanism of, timing and judging of races at greyhound race tracks,

(*i*) the recording and publication by licensees under greyhound race track licences of information relating to the participation and performance (including behaviour) of greyhounds in races at greyhound race tracks.

(7) If, in relation to a greyhound race track, there is a contravention of any rule under this section, the licensee under the greyhound race track licence relating to the track shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

(8) Rules under this section shall not be made before the day appointed by the Minister under subsection (7) of section 26 of this Act.

Annotations

Amendments:

F30 Repealed by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 23, not commenced as of date of revision.

Modifications (not altering text):

C8 Prospective affecting provision: section repealed by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 23, not commenced as of date of revision.

25. — F30**[**...**]**

C9 Maximum fines in subss. (4), (7) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. nos. 2, 3, S.I. No. 211 of 1999. A fine of £1,000 converted (1.01.1999) to 1,269.73. This translates into a class C fine not exceeding €2,500 as provided (1.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 6(3) and table ref. no. 1, S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Increase of fines, under Act of 1958, etc.

12.— …

(2) The fine which may be imposed under a provision of the Act of 1958 specified in column (2) of the Table to this section shall be a fine not exceeding in amount the amount specified in column (3) of that Table opposite the reference number opposite which that provision is so specified.

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TABLE

Reference Number (1)	Provision of Act of 1958 (2)	Maximum Fine (3)
		£
...	...	...
2	Section 25(4)	1,000
3	Section 25(7)	1,000
...	...	...

Editorial Notes:

E118 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.02.2021) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2021* (S.I. No. 10 of 2021), in effect as per reg. 5.

E119 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.04.2017) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2017* (S.I. No. 101 of 2017), in effect as per reg. (4).

E120 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.08.2016, 1.09.2016) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2016* (S.I. No. 440 of 2016), in effect as per reg. 8.

E121 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.10.2015) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2015* (S.I. No. 396 of 2015), in effect as per reg. 5.

E122 Power pursuant to section exercised (5.08.2015) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2015* (S.I. No. 350 of 2015). in effect as per reg. (4).

E123 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.08.2009) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2009* (S.I. No. 402 of 2009), in effect as per reg. 2.

E124 Power pursuant to section exercised (19.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), in effect as per reg. 37.

E125 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.01.1990) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1989* (S.I. No. 334 of 1989), in effect as per reg. 2.

E126 Power pursuant to section exercised (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Permits for Persons performing Specified Functions) Regulations 1970* (S.I. No. 289 of 1970), in effect as per reg. 15(ii).

E127 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.10.2012) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2012* (S.I. No. 500 of 2012), in effect as per reg. 2; revoked (5.08.2015) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2015* (S.I. No. 350 of 2015), reg. (3), in effect as per reg. (4).

E128 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (28.02.2002) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment Regulations 2002* (S.I. No. 77 of 2002), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (19.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37.

E129 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (16.04.2001) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2001* (S.I. No. 39 of 2001); revoked (19.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37.

E130 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.09.1996) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1996* (S.I. No. 250 of 1996), in effect as per reg. 2; revoked (19.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37.

E131 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), in effect as per reg. 36(2); revoked (14.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37(2).

E132 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (3.12.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 352 of 1993); revoked (19.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37(2).

E133 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.07.1989) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1989* (S.I. No. 161 of 1989), in effect as per reg. 5; revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E134 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.06.1982) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 138 of 1982), in effect as per reg. 2; revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E135 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (24.05.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 144 of 1980), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E136 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (14.11.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 324 of 1977), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E137 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (25.03.1968) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 52 of 1968), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E138 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.07.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 133 of 1967), in effect as per reg. 36(2); revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E139 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (9.07.1965) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1965* (S.I. No. 133 of 1965), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (1.07.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 133 of 1967), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E140 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.07.1963) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 111 of 1963), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (1.07.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 133 of 1967), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E141 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.06.1963) by *Greyhound Race Track (Special Exemption) Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 73 of 1963), in effect as per 3; rendered obsoleted by revocation of *Greyhound Race Track (Permits For Persons Performing Specified Functions) Regulations 1959* (S.I. No. 10 of 1959) (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Permits For Persons Performing Specified Functions) Regulations 1970* (S.I. No. 289 of 1970), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 11(ii), and revocation of *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1960* (S.I. No. 64 of 1960) (1.07.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 133 of 1967), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E142 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (16.04.1960) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1960* (S.I. No. 64 of 1960), in effect as per reg. 35(2); revoked (1.07.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 133 of 1967) reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E143 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.02.1959) by *Greyhound Industry Act 1958 Greyhound Race Track (Permits For Persons Performing Specified Functions) Regulations 1959* (S.I. No. 10 of 1959), in effect as per reg. 9(ii); revoked (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Permits For Persons Performing Specified Functions) Regulations 1970* (S.I. No. 289 of 1970), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 11(ii).

PART IV.

THE IRISH COURSING CLUB.

The Irish Coursing Club.

26. — (1) The constitution of the Club shall be that set forth in the Schedule to this Act, subject to any alterations which, with the prior written consent of the Board, may from time to time be duly made therein.

(2) The Club is hereby recognised as being, subject to the provisions of this Act and of the constitution of the Club and subject to the general control and direction of the Board, the controlling authority for the breeding and coursing of greyhounds.

(3) The Board may advise and assist the Club in connection with any activities or measures conducive to the better implementation by the Club of its constitution and rules, to the better discharge by the Club of its functions or to the improvement and development of the greyhound industry.

(4) It shall be the duty of the Club to keep such books, accounts and records as may be approved of by the Board and to furnish to the Board such information in relation to the Club's activities as the Board may require.

(5) Rules made by the Club shall require the consent of the Board.

(6) During the period of three years beginning on the commencement of this section, appointments of members of the Executive Committee of the Club shall be carried out subject to the supervision of the Board.

(7) This section shall come into operation on such day after the establishment day as the Minister appoints by order.

Annotations

Editorial Notes:

E144 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.01.1959) by *Greyhound Industry Act 1958 (Commencement of Section 26) Order 1958* (S.I. No. 259 of 1958).

2. The 1st day of January, 1959, is hereby appointed as the day on which section 26 of the Greyhound Industry Act, 1958, shall come into operation.

PART V.

PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO BOOKMAKERS.

CHAPTER I.

Restrictions on bookmakers carrying on business at greyhound race tracks and authorised coursing meetings.

Appointed day.

27. — (1) The Minister may by order appoint a day to be the appointed day for the purposes of this Chapter.

(2) References in this Chapter to the appointed day shall be construed as references to the day appointed by order under this section.

Annotations

Editorial Notes:

E145 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.01.1959) by *Greyhound Industry Act, 1958 (Appointed Day For Purposes of Chapter I of Part V) Order 1958* (S.I. No. 226 of 1958).

Prohibition of course betting by bookmakers not holding permits.

28. — (1) On and after the appointed day, it shall not be lawful for any person to carry on the business of a bookmaker at any greyhound race track or at any authorised coursing meeting or in the precincts thereof, unless such person is the holder of a course-betting permit.

(2) If any person acts in contravention of this section, he shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a F31**[**class A fine**]**.

(3) Where, on or after the appointed day, a person who is not the holder of a course-betting permit is found carrying on the business of a bookmaker at any greyhound race track, any person acting under the direction of the Board or the licensee under the greyhound race track licence

relating to such track may remove such first-mentioned person therefrom and for this purpose may use such force as may be reasonably necessary.

(4) Where, on or after the appointed day, a person who is not the holder of a course-betting permit is found carrying on the business of a bookmaker at any authorised coursing meeting, any person acting under the direction of the Board or the person holding such meeting may remove such first-mentioned person from the coursing ground and for this purpose may use such force as may be reasonably necessary.

Annotations

Amendments:

F31 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(e), S.I. No. 399 of 2020. A class A fine means a fine not exceeding €5,000 as provided (4.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 4(1), S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Editorial Notes:

E146 Previous affecting provision: maximum fine in subs. (2) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 4, S.I. No. 211 of 1999; superseded as per F-note above.

Course-betting permits.

29. — (1) The Board may grant or, subject to subsection (3) of this section, refuse to grant an application by a licensed bookmaker for a permit (in this Act referred to as a course-betting permit) authorising him to carry on the business of bookmaker at greyhound race tracks and at authorised coursing meetings and in the precincts thereof.

(2) The Board may at any time, subject to subsection (3) of this section, suspend for such time as it thinks fit or revoke a course-betting permit.

(3) Where the Board proposes to refuse an application for a course-betting permit or to suspend or revoke a course-betting permit, the Board shall serve notice of the proposal F32**[**and the reasons for the refusal, suspension or revocation**]** on the applicant or holder and shall, if any representations are made in writing by the applicant or holder within seven days, consider the representations.

(4) Where a person to whom a course-betting permit is granted ceases to be a licensed bookmaker, the course-betting permit shall, for the purposes of this Act, be deemed, by virtue of this subsection, to have been revoked upon such cesser.

Annotations

Amendments:

F32 Inserted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(f), S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

Production of course-betting permits on demand.

30. — (1) Any authorised officer of the Board (subject to production by him if so required of his appointment) may, on or after the appointed day, demand of any person, whom he observes to be engaged in or carrying on the business of a bookmaker at any greyhound race track or at any authorised coursing meeting or in the precincts thereof, the production of his course-betting

permit, and if that person refuses or fails to produce such permit or produces such permit, but refuses or fails to permit the authorised officer to read it, he shall be guilty of an offence.

(2) Whenever any person of whom the production of his course-betting permit is lawfully demanded under this section refuses or fails to produce such permit, or produces such permit but fails or refuses to permit the authorised officer of the Board making the demand to read and examine such permit, the authorised officer may demand of such person his name and address and if such person refuses to give his name or fails or refuses to give his address, or gives a name or address which is false or misleading, he shall be guilty of an offence.

(3) Any person guilty of an offence under this section shall be liable on summary conviction to a F33**[**class B fine**]**.

(4) A person who, when the production of his course-betting permit is lawfully demanded of him under this section, does not produce such permit because he is not the holder of a course-betting permit shall be deemed to fail to produce his course-betting permit within the meaning of this section.

Annotations

Amendments:

F33 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(g), S.I. No. 399 of 2020. A class B fine means a fine not exceeding €4,000 as provided (4.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 5(1), S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Editorial Notes:

E147 Previous affecting provision: maximum fine in subs. (3) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 5, S.I. No. 211 of 1999; superseded as per F-note above.

CHAPTER II.

Levies on bookmakers in respect of course bets.

Commencement of subsequent sections of this Chapter etc.

31. — F34**[**...**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F34 Repealed (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 13(b), S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

Editorial Notes:

E148 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.01.1959) by *Greyhound Industry Act, 1958 (Commencement of Sections 32, 33, 34 and 35) Order 1958* (S.I. No. 227 of 1958); section repealed as per F-note above.

F35**[**Levies payable by authorised bookmakers on bets.

32.—(1) (*a*) A licensed bookmaker who enters into a bet at a greyhound race track, on an event taking place there or elsewhere, other than by means of telecommunications from outside the race track, shall pay to the Board a levy on such bet.

(*b*) The rates of levy payable under paragraph (a) of this subsection shall be —

(i) in respect of a bet with a licensed bookmaker other than in a betting office and placed solely on a greyhound race taking place at the greyhound race track at which the bet is placed, zero per cent. or such other percentage of not more than 5 per cent. as the Board, with the consent of the Minister, may from time to time prescribe, or

(ii) in respect of all bets placed in a betting office at a greyhound race track and in respect of any bet placed at a greyhound race track where all or any part of that bet relates to an event being either a greyhound race or any other event taking place elsewhere, the same rate of levy as that rate of excise duty which would apply under section 24 of the Finance Act, 1926 (as amended by section 117 of the Finance Act, 1999), to such bet if it was placed other than at a greyhound race track.

(*c*) If the event the subject of a bet under paragraph (b)(i) of this subsection is determined in favour of the person with whom the bookmaker enters into the bet, the bookmaker shall, from the total amount which he would otherwise pay or credit to that person in respect of the bet, make a deduction calculated at the rate of percentage referred to in that subparagraph of that total amount.

(*d*) For the purposes of this section the amount of a bet shall be taken to be the sum which, by the terms of the bet, the bookmaker by whom it is entered into, will be entitled to receive, retain or take credit for if the event the subject of the bet, is determined in his favour.

(2) Subsection (1)(b)(ii) of this section shall come into operation on such day as the Minister may appoint by order.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F35 Substituted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 11(1), S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

Editorial Notes:

E149 Power pursuant to subs. (2) exercised (25.07.1999) by *Greyhound Industry Act 1958 (Section 32(1)(b)(ii)) (Commencement) Order 1999* (S.I. No. 212 of 1999).

2. The 25th day of July, 1999, is hereby appointed as the day on which subparagraph (ii) of section 32 (1)(b) (inserted by section 11 of the Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act, 1999 (No. 24 of 1999)) of the Greyhound Industry Act, 1958 (No. 12 of 1958), shall come into operation.

E150 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.04.1985) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1985* (S.I. No. 79 of 1985), in effect as per reg. 2.

E151 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (21.04.1990) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) (Amendment) Regulations 1990*(S.I. No. 82 of 1990), in effect as per reg. 2; spent.

E152 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.07.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 183 of 1980), in effect as per reg. 2; revoked (1.04.1985) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1985* (S.I. No. 79 of 1985), reg. 4, in effect as per reg. 2.

E153 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (4.04.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 91 of 1977), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (1.07.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 183 of 1980), reg. 4, in effect as per reg. 2.

E154 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (15.06.1964) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 131 of 1964), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (4.04.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 91 of 1977), in effect as per reg. 4.

E155 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (18.11.1958) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1958* (S.I. No. 228 of 1958), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (15.01.1964) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 131 of 1964), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4.

F36**[**Turnover charge payable by authorised bookmakers on bets.

32A.— (1) A licensed bookmaker who enters into a bet at a greyhound race track, on an event taking place there or elsewhere, other than by means of telecommunications from outside the race track, the subject of levy under section 32 of the Act, shall pay to the Board a turnover charge on such bet.

(2) The rate of turnover charge payable under subsection (1) of this section shall be —

(*a*) in respect of a bet with a licensed bookmaker other than in a betting office and placed solely on a greyhound race taking place at the track at which the bet is placed, 0.3 per cent. or such other percentage of not more than 2.5 per cent. as the Board, with the consent of the Minister, may from time to time prescribe, and

(*b*) in respect of all bets placed in a betting office and in respect of any bet placed at a greyhound race track where all or any part of that bet relates to an event being either a greyhound race or any other event taking place elsewhere, 0.3 per cent. or such other percentage standing specified under section 54D of the Irish Horseracing Industry Act, 1994.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F36 Inserted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 11(1), S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

F37**[**Flat rate charges payable by authorised bookmakers.

32B.—The Board may make such flat rate charges as it considers necessary and appropriate in respect of —

(*a*) a licensed bookmaker operating at a greyhound race track,

(*b*) a pitch held by a licensed bookmaker at a greyhound race track, or

(*c*) a betting office,

and different charges may be made in respect of different locations or greyhound race meetings held at greyhound race tracks having regard to the potential value of the location or meeting for the business of bookmaking.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F37 Inserted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 11(1), S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

F38**[**Suspension or revocation of course-betting permit if levy or charges are not paid.

32C.—(1) (*a*) A licensed bookmaker who fails or neglects to pay any sum payable by him in respect of a levy or charges due under this Act may have any permit granted to him under section 29 of this Act suspended or revoked by the Board.

(*b*) The Board may restore any such permit where it is satisfied that all arrears of levy and charges due under this Act (including interest at an appropriate percentage rate) have been paid.

(2) Every levy or charge payable by any person shall be recoverable from that person by the Board as a simple contract debt in any court of competent jurisdiction.

(3) (*a*) Where a licensed bookmaker is found not to have paid levy or charges due under this Act or not to have made proper returns to the Board in respect of such levy or charges or both for a period of one month, the Board may make an assessment of levy or charge due and may charge interest at an appropriate rate from the day on which any such levy or charge first became due and in doing so shall have regard to the level of interest rates generally in the State.

(*b*) (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, interest at an appropriate percentage rate to be charged by the Board under this section shall be 10 per cent. per annum.

(ii) The Board may, with the consent of the Minister, if it is satisfied that the appropriate percentage rate for the time being standing specified in this section, ought, having regard to the level of rates of interest generally in the State, to be varied, by regulations vary the rate of interest so standing specified and this section shall have effect in accordance with the terms of any such regulations.

(4) (*a*) Whenever it is proved to the satisfaction of the Board that a bet in respect of which a levy or a charge is payable has become a void bet the Board may, subject to such conditions as it thinks fit to impose, either, as the case may require, repay the levy or charge paid or remit the levy or charge chargeable in respect of such bet.

(*b*) In this paragraph "void bet" means a bet placed either on a greyhound in a race at a race track or on another event which has been abandoned, declared void for any reason other than the mutual consent of the parties thereto or postponed to another day.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F38 Inserted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 11(1), S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

F39**[**Regulations in relation to betting offices.

32D.—(1) F40**[**Subject to this section and the Act of 2024, the Board may**]**, by regulations, provide for—

(*a*) the permitting of licensed bookmakers to operate from betting offices at greyhound race tracks,

(*b*) the regulation of—

F40**[** (i) the relevant betting activities (within the meaning of the Act of 2024) that may be made available at betting offices,**]**

(ii) the structure and location of betting offices,

(iii) the operation and opening hours of betting offices,

(iv) the persons who may be admitted to, or permitted to place bets at, betting offices,

(v) good order and conduct at betting offices.

F41**[**(1A) The Board shall consult with the Gambling Regulatory Authority of Ireland before making regulations under *subsection (1)*.**]**

F42**[**(2) Regulations made under subsection (1)(b)(iii) of this section in respect of the opening hours of betting offices may permit betting offices to open for business any time at a greyhound race track —

F40**[**(*a*) on any day and during such hours that are not prescribed under section 176 (1) of the Act of 2024 as days or hours, or both, during which a licensee (within the meaning of the Act of 2024) of an in person gambling licence may not open a premises in respect of which the licence is held, and**]**

(*b*) on the day of greyhound races at the race track, also from the time the public are permitted admission to the race track and up to two hours after the conclusion at it of the last race where that would exceed the hours referred to in paragraph (a).**]**

(3) The Board may, where a licensed bookmaker has failed to comply with any regulations made under this section, suspend for such time as it thinks fit or revoke his course-betting permit.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F39 Inserted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 11(1), S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

F40 Substituted (5.02.2026) by *Gambling Regulation Act 2024* (35/2024), s. 262(1)(d)(i), (iii), S.I. No. 31 of 2026, art. 2(i)(iii)(I), subject to transitional provisions in subss. (2), (3).

F41 Inserted (5.02.2026) by *Gambling Regulation Act 2024* (35/2024), s. 262(1)(d)(ii), S.I. No. 31 of 2026, art. 2(i)(iii)(I), subject to transitional provisions in subss. (2), (3).

F42 Substituted (2.07.2001) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing Act 2001* (20/2001) , s. 16, commenced on enactment.

Regulations for payment of levies on course bets.

33. — F43**[**(1) The Board may make regulations for securing the payment of levy under section 32 of this Act or charges made under section 32A or 32B of this Act and generally for carrying the provisions of this Chapter in relation to such levies and charges into effect and in particular for —

(*a*) requiring bookmakers who are liable to pay such levy or charges—

(i) to enter, in the prescribed manner and at the prescribed time, particulars of all bets entered into at a greyhound race track in the prescribed records,

(ii) to retain the records for the prescribed time,

(iii) to send, on the request of the Board, the records to the Board for its inspection,

(iv) to furnish copies of the records to the Board at such time or times as may be prescribed;

(*b*) the supply, use and supervision of levy or charge paid betting sheets and the making of refunds in respect of unused or partly used such sheets;

(*c*) entering into arrangements by the Board with and taking security from bookmakers desiring to pay levy or charges on the basis of returns furnished by them;

(*d*) the granting to bookmakers by the Board of remissions or refunds (as the case may require) of a levy or charge in cases in which the whole or any part of the contingent liability of a bookmaker in respect of a bet made, laid or otherwise entered into by him at a greyhound race track is shown to the satisfaction of the Board to have been transferred to another bookmaker by means of a fresh bet made, laid or otherwise entered into by the first-mentioned bookmaker with the second-mentioned bookmaker.

(1A) A person who, without reasonable excuse, contravenes any regulation made under this section may have any course-betting permit granted to him suspended or revoked by the Board.**]**

(2) If any person—

(*a*) contravenes a regulation under this section, or

(*b*) makes, in any record kept in pursuance of any regulation under this section, any false entry with regard to a course bet, that person shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

(3) Regulations for the purposes of this section shall require the consent of the Minister.

Annotations

Amendments:

F43 Substituted and inserted (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 11(2), S.I. No. 211 of 1999.

Modifications (not altering text):

C10 Maximum fine in subs. (2) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 6, S.I. No. 211 of 1999. A fine of £1,000 converted (1.01.1999) to €1,269.73. This translates into a class C fine not exceeding €2,500 as provided (1.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 6(3) and table ref. no. 1, S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Increase of fines, under Act of 1958, etc.

12.— …

(2) The fine which may be imposed under a provision of the Act of 1958 specified in column (2) of the Table to this section shall be a fine not exceeding in amount the amount specified in column (3) of that Table opposite the reference number opposite which that provision is so specified.

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TABLE

Reference Number (1)	Provision of Act of 1958 (2)	Maximum Fine (3)
		£
...	...	...
6	Section 33(2)	1,000
...	...	...

Editorial Notes:

E156 Power pursuant to subs. (1) exercised (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) (Amendment) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 48 of 1971), in effect as per reg. 3.

E157 Power pursuant to subs. (1) exercised (7.10.1968) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 198 of 1968), in effect as per reg. 23(2).

E158 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (1) exercised (1.08.1964) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) (Amendment) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 170 of 1964), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (7.10.1968) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 198 of 1968), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 23(2).

E159 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (1) exercised (1.01.1959) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) Regulations 1958* (S.I. No. 225 of 1958), in effect as per reg. 23(2); revoked (7.10.1968) by *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 198 of 1968), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 23(2).

Inspection of document in bookmakers' premises.

34. — (1) An authorised officer of the Board may (subject to the production by him if so required of his appointment) at any time enter any premises of the holder of a course-betting permit in which the business of bookmaking is carried on and there search for, inspect and take copies of or extracts from any documents there found relating or believed by such authorised officer to relate to course bets entered into by the person engaged in the said business and may require any person found in such premises to produce all documents in such premises relating to such course bets.

(2) Every person who resists, obstructs or impedes an authorised officer of the Board in the exercise of any power conferred on him by this section or refuses without lawful or sufficient excuse to produce any document which he is required by an authorised officer of the Board

under this section to produce shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a F44**[**class A fine**]**.

Annotations

Amendments:

F44 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(h), S.I. No. 399 of 2020. A class A fine means a fine not exceeding €5,000 as provided (4.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 4(1), S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Editorial Notes:

E160 Previous affecting provision: maximum fine in subs. (2) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 7, S.I. No. 211 of 1999; superseded as per F-note above.

Inspection of books, etc.

35. — (1) Where an authorised officer of the Board observes that a person is engaged in or carrying on the business of bookmaker at any greyhound race track or at any authorised coursing meeting or in the precincts thereof, he may (subject to the production by him if so required of his appointment) require that person to produce to him forthwith, and permit him to inspect and take copies of, or extracts from, any document then in that person's possession and used for the purpose of such business.

(2) Every person who fails or refuses to do anything which he is required under subsection (1) of this section by an authorised officer of the Board to do shall be guilty of an offence under this section and shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to a F45**[**class A fine**]**.

Annotations

Amendments:

F45 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(i), S.I. No. 399 of 2020. A class A fine means a fine not exceeding €5,000 as provided (4.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 4(1), S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Editorial Notes:

E161 Previous affecting provision: maximum fine in subs. (2) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 8, S.I. No. 211 of 1999; superseded as per F-note above.

PART VI.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Regulations in relation to coursing.

36. — (1) F46**[**...**]**

F47**[**(1A) (*a*) The Minister may make regulations providing for —

(i) the muzzling of greyhounds participating in events, and the manner of, and the type of muzzle to be used for, such muzzling,

(ii) prohibiting the participation of a greyhound in an event if it is not muzzled or if the muzzling of the greyhound does not comply with the regulations,

(iii) the supervision by a veterinary surgeon of hares coursed in events prior to, during and after the events,

(iv) the marking, before their release into the wild, of hares after an authorised coursing meeting of such kind as the Minister may specify in the regulations,

(v) prohibiting the coursing of a hare in an event if the hare has been coursed in an event at a prior authorised coursing meeting of such kind as the Minister may specify in the regulations,

(vi) prohibiting the coursing of a hare in an event if it is not fit to be coursed, and

(vii) the giving by a veterinary surgeon of a direction —

(I) prohibiting the participation of a greyhound in an event if he considers that the muzzling of the greyhound does not comply with the regulations,

(II) prohibiting the coursing of a hare in an event if he considers that the hare has been coursed in an event at a prior authorised coursing meeting of such kind as the Minister may specify in the regulations, or

(III) prohibiting the coursing of a hare in an event if he considers that the hare is not fit to be coursed.

(*b*) In this subsection —

"event" means an event forming an item at an authorised coursing meeting of such kind as the Minister may specify in the regulations and includes a pre-coursing trial of such kind as may be specified by the Minister in the regulations, and

"veterinary surgeon" means a registered veterinary surgeon within the meaning of the Veterinary Surgeons Act, 1931.**]**

F48**[**(2) If, in relation to an authorised coursing meeting, there is a contravention of a regulation under this section or a direction under such a regulation, the person holding the meeting and, if the direction relates to a greyhound, the owner of the greyhound shall be liable on summary conviction to a F49**[**class A fine**]** or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F46 Deleted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(j)(i), S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

F47 Inserted (22.12.1993) by *Greyhound Industry (Amendment) Act 1993* (37/1993), s. 3(a), commenced on enactment.

F48 Substituted (22.12.1993) by *Greyhound Industry (Amendment) Act 1993* (37/1993), s. 3(b), commenced on enactment.

F49 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(j)(ii), S.I. No. 399 of 2020. A class A fine means a fine not exceeding €5,000 as provided (4.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 4(1), S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Editorial Notes:

E162 Previous affecting provision: maximum fine in subs. (2) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 9, S.I. No. 211 of 1999; superseded as per F-note above.

Training of greyhounds for reward.

37. — (1) The Board may make regulations for the control of the training of greyhounds for reward.

(2) Regulations under this section may, in particular, make provision for—

(*a*) prohibiting persons from training greyhounds for reward save under and in accordance with licences granted by the Board at its discretion,

(*b*) the making by the Board of charges in respect of the grant, retention or renewal of licences,

(*c*) the attachment of conditions to licences,

(*d*) the suspension and revocation of such licences,

(*e*) the keeping of records by licensees and the production of such records for inspection and taking of copies or extracts by authorised officers of the Board,

(*f*) the furnishing of information to the Board by licensees.

(3) A person who contravenes a regulation under this section shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

(4) The Club may make rules for the control of the training of greyhounds for reward.

(5) Rules under this section may, in particular, make provision for—

(*a*) prohibiting persons from training greyhounds for reward save under and in accordance with licences granted by the Club at its discretion,

(*b*) the making by the Club of charges in respect of the grant, retention or renewal of licences,

(*c*) the attachment of conditions to licences,

(*d*) the suspension and revocation of licences,

(*e*) the keeping of records by licensees and the production of such records for inspection and taking of copies or extracts by authorised officers of the Club,

(*f*) the furnishing of information to the Club by licensees.

(6) A person who contravenes a rule under this section shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

(7) Rules under this section shall not be made before the day appointed by the Minister under subsection (7) of section 26 of this Act.

Annotations

Amendments:

F50 Repealed by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 24(4), not commenced as of date of revision.

Modifications (not altering text):

C11 Prospective affecting provision: subss. (1)-(3) repealed by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 24(4), not commenced as of date of revision.

37. — (1) F50**[**...**]**

(2) F50**[**...**]**

(3) F50**[**...**]**

C12 Maximum fines in subss. (3), (6) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. nos. 10, 11, S.I. No. 211 of 1999. A fine of £1,000 converted (1.01.1999) to €1,269.73. This translates into a class C fine not exceeding €2,500 as provided (1.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 6(3) and table ref. no. 1, S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Increase of fines, under Act of 1958, etc.

12.— …

(2) The fine which may be imposed under a provision of the Act of 1958 specified in column (2) of the Table to this section shall be a fine not exceeding in amount the amount specified in column (3) of that Table opposite the reference number opposite which that provision is so specified.

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TABLE

Reference Number (1)	Provision of Act of 1958 (2)	Maximum Fine (3)
		£
...	...	...
10	Section 37(3)	1,000
11	Section 37(6)	1,000
...	...	...

Editorial Notes:

E163 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (8.06.2016) by *Greyhound Trainers' (Amendment) Regulations 2016* (S.I. No. 291 of 2016), in effect as per reg. 3.

E164 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.01.1990) by *Greyhound Trainers' (Amendment) Regulations 1989* (S.I. No. 335 of 1989), in effect as per reg. 3.

E165 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.01.1981) by *Greyhound Trainers' (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 371 of 1980), in effect as per reg. 3.

E166 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.03.1969) by *Greyhound Trainers' (Amendment) Regulations 1969* (S.I. No. 1 of 1969), in effect as per reg. 3.

E167 Power pursuant to section exercised (17.04.1961) by *Greyhound Trainers' Regulations 1961* (S.I. No. 58 of 1961), in effect as per reg. 13(2).

Public sales of greyhounds.

38. — (1) The Board may make regulations for the control of the holding and conduct of public sales of greyhounds.

(2) Regulations under this section may, in particular, make provision for—

(*a*) prohibiting persons from holding public sales of greyhounds save under and in accordance with licences granted by the Board at its discretion,

(*b*) the making by the Board of charges in respect of the grant, retention or renewal of licences,

(*c*) the attachment of conditions to licences,

(*d*) the suspension and revocation of licences,

(*e*) the keeping of records by licensees and the production of such records for inspection and taking of copies or extracts by authorised officers of the Board,

(*f*) the furnishing of information to the Board by licensees,

(*g*) the procedure as to, and the conditions precedent to, the acceptance of greyhounds for sale.

(*h*) the prohibiting of persons from acting as auctioneers at sales save under and in accordance with permits granted by the Board at its discretion or when otherwise approved of by the Board, or save when appointed by the Board as auctioneers,

(*i*) the making by the Board of charges in respect of the grant, retention or renewal of permits,

(*j*) the attachment of conditions to permits,

(*k*) the suspension and revocation of permits,

(*l*) the publication by persons holding public sales of greyhounds of catalogues of sales and the information to be given therein both as regards greyhounds for sale and otherwise,

(*m*) the recording and publication by persons holding public sales of greyhounds of information relating to the results of sales,

(*n*) the furnishing of documents (including certificates and guarantees) to persons purchasing greyhounds at sales.

(3) An application for a licence, permit or approval under regulations under this section shall be in the prescribed form and the Board shall consider and make a decision on the application as soon as may be after it is received.

(4) A person who contravenes a regulation under this section shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

Annotations

Amendments:

F51 Repealed by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 25(5), not commenced as of date of revision.

Modifications (not altering text):

C13 Prospective affecting provision: section repealed by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 25(5), not commenced as of date of revision.

38. — F51**[**...**]**

C14 Maximum fine in subs. (4) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 12, S.I. No. 211 of 1999. A fine of £1,000 converted (1.01.1999) to €1,269.73. This translates into a class C fine not exceeding €2,500 as provided (1.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 6(3) and table ref. no. 1, S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Increase of fines, under Act of 1958, etc.

12.— …

(2) The fine which may be imposed under a provision of the Act of 1958 specified in column (2) of the Table to this section shall be a fine not exceeding in amount the amount specified in column (3) of that Table opposite the reference number opposite which that provision is so specified.

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TABLE

Reference Number (1)	Provision of Act of 1958 (2)	Maximum Fine (3)
		£
...	...	...
12	Section 38(4)	1,000
...	...	...

Editorial Notes:

E168 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.07.2018) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 2018* (S.I. No. 223 of 2018), in effect as per reg. 4

E169 Power pursuant to section exercised (2.05.1966) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds Regulations 1966* (S.I. No. 76 of 1966), in effect as per reg. 18(2).

E170 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.06.1987) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 1987* (S.I. No. 121 of 1987), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (1.07.2018) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 2018* (S.I. No. 223 of 2018), reg. 2, in effect as per reg. 4.

E171 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (28.12.1981) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 1981* (S.I. No. 418 of 1981), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (1.06.1987) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 1987* (S.I. No. 121 of 1987), reg. 2, in effect as per reg. 4

E172 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.04.1974) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 1974* (S.I. No. 53 of 1974), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (1.06.1987) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 1987* (S.I. No. 121 of 1987), reg. 2, in effect as per reg. 4.

E173 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.04.1963) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 34 of 1963), in effect as per reg. 24(2); revoked (2.05.1966) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds Regulations 1966* (S.I. No. 76 of 1966), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 18(2).

Artificial insemination of greyhounds.

39. — (1) The Board may, after consultation with the Club and with the consent of the Minister, make regulations controlling the practice of artificial insemination of greyhounds.

(2) Regulations under this section may, in particular, make provision for—

(*a*) prohibiting persons from engaging in the artificial insemination of greyhounds save under and in accordance with licences granted by the Board at its discretion,

(*b*) the making by the Board of charges in respect of the grant, retention or renewal of licences,

(*c*) the attachment of conditions to licences,

(*d*) the suspension and revocation of licences,

(*e*) the keeping of records by licensees and the production of such records for inspection and taking of copies or extracts by authorised officers of the Board,

(*f*) the furnishing of information to the Board by licensees.

(3) A person who contravenes a regulation under this section shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

Annotations

Amendments:

F52 Repealed by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 26(5), not commenced as of date of revision.

Modifications (not altering text):

C15 Prospective affecting provision: section repealed by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 26(5), not commenced as of date of revision.

39. — F52**[**...**]**

C16 Maximum fine in subs. (3) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 13, S.I. No. 211 of 1999. A fine of £1,000 converted (1.01.1999) to €1,269.73. This translates into a class C fine not exceeding €2,500 as provided (1.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 6(3) and table ref. no. 1, S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Increase of fines, under Act of 1958, etc.

12.— …

(2) The fine which may be imposed under a provision of the Act of 1958 specified in column (2) of the Table to this section shall be a fine not exceeding in amount the amount specified in column (3) of that Table opposite the reference number opposite which that provision is so specified.

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TABLE

Reference Number (1)	Provision of Act of 1958 (2)	Maximum Fine (3)
		£
...	...	...
13	Section 39(3)	1,000
...	...	...

Editorial Notes:

E174 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.11.2014) by *Artificial Insemination of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 2014* (S.I. No. 494 of 2014), in effect as per reg. 2.

E175 Power pursuant to section exercised (30.11.2005) by *Artificial Insemination of Greyhounds Regulations 2005* (S.I. No. 561 of 2005), in effect as per reg. 20.

Regulations in relation to totalisators.

40. — (1) The Board may, with the consent of the Minister, make regulations providing for the charging by the Board of fees (which may be a series of periodical payments of fixed or variable amounts) to be paid by licensees under greyhound race track licences F53**[**where the Board provides pool betting**]** on the greyhound race tracks to which such licences relate.

(2) The Board may, with the consent of the Minister, make regulations providing for the sums and levies to be collected by the Board F53**[**out of moneys staked by means of pool betting provided by the Board**]**.

(3) The Board may make regulations for regulating and controlling the use by the public of F53**[**pool betting provided by the Board**]**.

(4) Any sums charged by the Board pursuant to regulations under subsection (1) of this section may, in default of payment, be recovered as a simple contract debt in any court of competent jurisdiction.

(5) F54**[**...**]**

(6) F54**[**...**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F53 Substituted (5.02.2026) by *Gambling Regulation Act 2024* (35/2024), s. 262(1)(e)(i)-(iii), S.I. No. 31 of 2026, art. 2(i)(iii)(I), subject to transitional provisions in subss. (2), (3).

F54 Repealed (5.02.2026) by *Gambling Regulation Act 2024* (35/2024), s. 10 and sch. 2 part 1 item 9, S.I. No. 31 of 2026, art. 2(a)(ii)(I).

Editorial Notes:

E176 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.01.2018) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Amendment Regulations 2017* (S.I. No. 527 of 2017), in effect as per reg. 3.

E177 Power pursuant to subs. (2) exercised (14.11.2012) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage Deduction) Regulations 2012* (S.I. No. 466 of 2012), in effect as per reg. 4.

E178 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (30.07.2012) by *Greyhound Race Track Totalisator (Quadlinko) Jackpot Regulations 2012* (S.I. No. 313 of 2012), in effect as per reg. 17.

E179 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (13.11.2007) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Win Jackpot) (Amendment) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 868 of 2007), in effect as per reg. 73.

E180 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (13.11.2007) by *Greyhound Race Track (totalisator) (Operating) Amendment Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 867 of 2007), in effect as per reg. 3.

E181 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.01.2004) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator (Superfecta) Regulations 2003* (S.I. No. 663 of 2003), in effect as per reg. 8(b).

E182 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.05.2002) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Amendment Regulations 2002* (S.I. No. 155 of 2002).

E183 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.01.2002) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Amendment Regulations 2001* (S.I. No. 425 of 2001), in effect as per reg. 4.

E184 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (8.01.2001) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Amendment Regulations 2001* (S.I. No. 3 of 2001), in effect as per reg. 3.

E185 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.12.1999) by *Dual Forecast Jackpot Regulations 1999* (S.I. No. 471 of 1999), in effect as per reg. 15.

E186 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (28.05.1997) by *Greyhound Race Track Totalisator (Super)(Trio) Jackpot Amendment Regulations 1997* (S.I. No. 223 of 1997), in effect as per reg. 2.

E187 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (27.03.1997) by *Greyhound Race Track Totalisator Super (Dual) Trio Jackpot Regulations 1997* (S.I. No. 139 of 1997), in effect as per reg. 16.

E188 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (23.04.1996) by *Greyhound Race Track Totalisator (Super)(Trio) Jackpot Regulations 1996* (S.I. No. 111 of 1996), in effect as per reg. 17.

E189 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (2.11.1996) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) (Amendment) Regulations 1996* (S.I. No. 330 of 1996), in effect as per reg. 3.

E190 Power pursuant to subs. (2) exercised (15.07.1991) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1991* (S.I. No. 188 of 1991), in effect as per reg. 4.

E191 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (4.02.1991) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Amendment Regulations 1991* (S.I. No. 8 of 1991), in effect as per reg. (3).

E192 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (10.09.1984) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) (Amendment) Regulations 1984*(S.I. No. 227 of 1984), in effect as per reg. 3.

E193 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (14.05.1982) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Trio) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 135 of 1982), in effect as per reg. 8(b).

E194 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 47 of 1971), in effect as per reg. 74(b).

E195 Power pursuant to section 40(3) exercised (20.06.1969) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Jackpot) Regulations 1969* (S.I. No. 104 of 1969).

E196 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (2) exercised (7.11.2008) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage Deduction) Regulations 2008* (S.I. No. 518 of 2008), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (14.11.2012) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage Deduction) Regulations 2012* (S.I. No. 466 of 2012), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4.

E197 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (12.04.2004) by *Greyhound Race Track (Percentage Deduction) Regulation 2004* (S.I. No. 143 of 2004), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (7.11.2008) by *Greyhound Race Track (totalisator) (Percentage Deduction) Regulations 2008* (S.I. No. 518 of 2008), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4.

E198 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (2) exercised (30.01.1984) by *Greyhound Race Trace (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1984* (S.I. No. 24 of 1984), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (15.07.1991) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1991* (S.I. No. 188 of 1991), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4.

E199 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (2) exercised (11.07.1983) by *Greyhound Race Trace (totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1983* (S.I. No. 192 of 1983), in effect as per reg. 2; revoked (30.01.1984) by *Greyhound Race Trace (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1984* (S.I. No. 24 of 1984), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4.

E200 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (2) exercised (4.04.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 90 of 1977), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (11.07.1983) by *Greyhound Race Trace (totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1983* (S.I. No. 192 of 1983), reg. 4, in effect as per reg. 2.

E201 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (2) exercised (22.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 69 of 1971); revoked (4.04.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 90 of 1977), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4

E202 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.06.1966) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Quinella Treble Forecast) Regulations 1966* (S.I. No. 90 of 1966), in effect as per reg. 14(b); revoked (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 47 of 1971), reg. 73, in effect as per reg. 74(2).

E203 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.06.1966) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Twin Double) Regulations 1966* (S.I. No. 89 of 1966), in effect as per reg. 12(b); revoked (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 47 of 1971), reg. 73, in effect as per reg. 74(2).

E204 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (2) exercised (15.06.1964) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 132 of 1964), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (22.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 69 of 1971), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4.

E205 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.04.1964) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Quinella Treble Forecast) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 40 of 1964); revoked (1.06.1966) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Quinella Treble Forecast) Regulations 1966* (S.I. No. 90 of 1966), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 14(b).

E206 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (19.03.1963) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) (Amendment) Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 33 of 1963), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 47 of 1971), reg. 73, in effect as per reg. 74(2).

E207 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (2) exercised (16.04.1960) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1960* (S.I. No. 67 of 1960), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (15.06.1964) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 132 of 1964), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4.

E208 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (16.04.1960) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1960* (S.I. No. 65 of 1960), in effect as per reg. 38(2); revoked (15.02.1971) by *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 47 of 1971), reg. 73, in effect as per reg. 74(2).

Export of greyhounds.

41. — F55**[...]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F55 Repealed (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(k), S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

Editorial Notes:

E209 Previous affecting provision: maximum fine in subs. (3) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 14, S.I. No. 211 of 1999; section repealed as per F-note above.

Power of the Board to establish greyhound race tracks.

42. — (1) The Board may establish, equip and maintain greyhound race tracks, and for this purpose may acquire by agreement or lease any land (including any greyhound race track).

(2) The Board may operate any greyhound race track maintained by it under this section.

(3) The Board may lease any greyhound race track established under this section.

(4) The Board may sell or lease any land acquired by it under this section which is no longer required for the purposes for which it was acquired.

Investigations by the Board and the Club.

43. — (1) The Board may cause any occurrence brought to its notice in relation to any matter connected with the greyhound industry to be investigated in such manner as the Board thinks proper.

(2) Where the Board intends to have any matter connected with the breeding, registration, identification or coursing of greyhounds or any matter within the scope of rules made by the Club relating to greyhound racing or to the training of greyhounds for reward investigated pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, the Board shall notify such intention to the Club.

(3) The Club may cause any occurrence brought to its notice in relation to any matter connected with the breeding, registration, identification or coursing of greyhounds or any matter within the scope of rules made by the Club relating to greyhound racing or to the training of greyhounds for reward to be investigated in such manner as the Club thinks proper.

(4) If a matter is being investigated at the instance of the Board, it shall not be investigated at the instance of the Club and, if the matter is already the subject of an investigation at the instance of the Club, the latter investigation shall cease.

(5) The Club shall communicate to the Board, if so requested, the result of any investigation made at the instance of the Club.

(6) For the purposes of an investigation under this section, the person conducting the investigation may, by notice served on any person, require that person to furnish to him any information which he may reasonably consider necessary and specifies in the notice.

(7) A person who—

(*a*) fails or refuses to furnish any information within his knowledge which he is required to furnish under this section, or

(*b*) in furnishing any such information, furnishes information which, to his knowledge, is false or misleading in any material particular,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a F56**[**class C fine**]**.

(8) The Board may publish in any manner which it considers proper the result of any investigation made under this section.

(9) The Club may publish in any manner which it considers proper the result of any investigation made under this section in relation to any matter connected with the breeding, registration, identification or coursing of greyhounds or any matter within the scope of rules made by the Club relating to greyhound racing or to the training of greyhounds for reward.

Annotations

Amendments:

F56 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(l), S.I. No. 399 of 2020. A class C fine means a fine not exceeding €2,500 as provided (4.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 6(1), S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Editorial Notes:

E210 Previous affecting provision: maximum fine in subs. (7) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 15, S.I. No. 211 of 1999; superseded as per F-note above.

Investigations by authorised officers.

44. — (1) F57**[**...**]**

(2) An authorised officer F58**[**of the Club**]** present at any authorised coursing meeting may (subject to production by him if so required of his appointment) investigate any occurrence observed by him or brought to his notice in relation to any event, or the performance (including behaviour) of any greyhound in an event, forming an item at the meeting.

(3) For the purposes of an investigation under this section, an authorised officer may—

(*a*) require any person to give to him any information which he may reasonably consider necessary, and

(*b*) give such directions and require such facilities as he may reasonably consider necessary (including directions and facilities as to the examination of greyhounds and the detention under specified control for any purpose of greyhounds or of documents relating thereto).

(4) A person who—

(*a*) obstructs or impedes the exercise of any power conferred by this section,

(*b*) fails or refuses to give to an authorised officer any information within his knowledge which the officer requires under this section,

(*c*) in giving any such information, gives information which, to his knowledge, is false or misleading in any material particular, or

(*d*) fails or refuses to comply with any direction or requisition of facilities given or made by an authorised officer under this section,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a F59**[**class C fine**]**.

Annotations

Amendments:

F57 Repealed (1.10.2022) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 36(3), S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

F58 Inserted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(m)(i), S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

F59 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(m)(ii), S.I. No. 399 of 2020. A class C fine means a fine not exceeding €2,500 as provided (4.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 6(1), S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Editorial Notes:

E211 Previous affecting provision: maximum fine in subs. (4) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 16, S.I. No. 211 of 1999; superseded as per F-note above.

Disqualification orders.

45. — F60**[**...**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F60 Repealed by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 47(4), S.I. No. 524 of 2022, subject to transitional provision in subs. (5).

Power of entry and inspection.

46. — F61**[**...**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F61 Repealed (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(n), S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

Editorial Notes:

E212 Previous affecting provision: maximum fine in subs. (2) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 17, S.I. No. 211 of 1999; section repealed as per F-note above.

Exclusion orders.

47. — F62**[**(1) The Club may by order (in this section referred to as an "exclusion order") prohibit a person from being at an authorised coursing meeting.**]**

(2) F63**[**...**]**

(3) F63**[**...**]**

(4) F63**[**...**]**

(5) F63**[**...**]**

(6) Where an exclusion order is made by the Club, the Club—

(*a*) shall cause notice of the making of the order to be served on the person to whom the order applies, and

(*b*) may cause notice of the making of the order to be served on any other persons whom the Club thinks proper to be notified.

(7) F63**[**...**]**

(8) Where a person to whom an exclusion order applies is found at any authorised coursing meeting, any person acting on the direction of the person holding the meeting may remove such first-mentioned person from the coursing ground and for this purpose may use such force as may be reasonably necessary.

(9) Where a person to whom an exclusion order applies is found at any public sale of greyhounds, any person acting under the direction of the person conducting the sale may remove such first-mentioned person therefrom and for this purpose may use such force as may be reasonably necessary.

Annotations

Amendments:

F62 Substituted by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 48(7)(a), S.I. No. 524 of 2022, subject to transitional provision in subs. (6).

F63 Deleted by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 48(7)(b), S.I. No. 524 of 2022, subject to transitional provision in subs. (6).

Fixing of certain charges.

48. — (1) The Board may by regulations fix the maximum charges to be made for admitting persons to greyhound race tracks and different charges may be fixed in respect of different tracks, in respect of different parts of the same track and in respect of bookmakers carrying on their business and persons who are not such bookmakers.

(2) Where regulations under subsection (1) of this section fix, in relation to a greyhound race track or part thereof, maximum charges in respect of bookmakers carrying on their business which are more than five times the maximum charges fixed, in relation to the track or part, by the regulations (or by other regulations for the time being in force) in respect of persons who are not such bookmakers, the regulations shall require the consent of the Minister.

(3) Where regulations under subsection (1) of this section fix, in relation to a greyhound race track on which the Board maintains a totalisator or to part of such track, maximum charges in respect of bookmakers carrying on their business, the charges shall be so fixed as not to exceed ten times the charges fixed by the regulations (or by other regulations for the time being in force) in respect of persons who are not bookmakers or, in case regulations under subsection (7) of this section for the time being in force fix a minimum charge in relation to the track or part, the aggregate of ten times the said charges in respect of persons who are not bookmakers and that minimum charge.

(4) Notwithstanding that regulations under subsection (1) of this section fix, in relation to a greyhound race track or part thereof, maximum charges in respect of bookmakers carrying on their business, any bookmaker may, with his consent, be charged, for admission to the track or part, a charge exceeding that which would be appropriate in accordance with the regulations, and such charge shall not constitute a contravention of the regulations.

(5) The Board may by regulations fix the maximum charges to be made at greyhound race tracks for race cards.

(6) The Board may by regulations fix the maximum entry fees in respect of greyhounds competing at events at race meetings at greyhound race tracks and different fees may be fixed in respect of different tracks and in respect of different meetings and events at the same track.

(7) (*a*) The Board may by regulations fix the minimum charges to be made for admitting bookmakers carrying on their business to greyhound race tracks and different charges may be fixed in respect of different tracks and different parts of the same track.

(*b*) Regulations under this subsection shall not be made in relation to a greyhound race track or part thereof unless regulations under subsection (1) of this section are made at the same time (or have been made previously) in relation to the track or part.

(*c*) The operation of regulations under this subsection shall stand suspended during any period while sections 32 to 35 of this Act are in operation.

(*d*) Where—

(i) a charge for admitting a bookmaker carrying on his business to a greyhound race track is made, and

(ii) regulations under this subsection are for the time being in operation,

the licensee under the greyhound race track licence relating to the track shall pay to the Board a sum equal to the minimum charge for the admission which is appropriate in accordance with the regulations.

(8) The Board may, after consultation with the Club, by regulations fix the maximum charges to be made for admitting persons to authorised coursing meetings and different charges may be fixed in respect of different meetings, in respect of different parts of the same coursing ground and in respect of bookmakers carrying on their business and persons who are not such bookmakers.

(9) Where regulations under subsection (8) of this section fix, in relation to an authorised coursing meeting, maximum charges in respect of bookmakers carrying on their business which are more than five times the maximum charges fixed, in relation to the meeting, by the regulations (or by other regulations for the time being in force) in respect of persons who are not such bookmakers, the regulations shall require the consent of the Minister.

(10) The Board may, after consultation with the Club, by regulations fix the maximum entry fees in respect of greyhounds competing at events at authorised coursing meetings and different fees may be fixed in respect of different coursing grounds and in respect of different meetings and events at the same coursing ground.

(11) (*a*) The Board may by regulations fix the minimum charges to be made for admitting bookmakers carrying on their business to authorised coursing meetings and different charges may be fixed in respect of different meetings and different parts of the same coursing ground.

(*b*) Regulations under this subsection shall not be made in relation to an authorised coursing meeting unless regulations under subsection (8) of this section are made at the same time (or have been made previously) in relation to the meeting.

(*c*) The operation of regulations under this subsection shall stand suspended during any period while sections 32 to 35 of this Act are in operation.

(*d*) Where—

(i) a charge for admitting a bookmaker carrying on his business to an authorised coursing meeting is made, and

(ii) regulations under this subsection are for the time being in operation,

the person holding the meeting shall pay to the Board a sum equal to the minimum charge for the admission which is appropriate in accordance with the regulations.

(12) The Board, after consultation with the Club, may by regulations fix the maximum charges to be made at authorised coursing meetings for programmes and different charges may be fixed in respect of different meetings.

(13) The Board may by regulations fix the maximum charges to be made for admitting persons to public sales of greyhounds and different charges may be fixed in respect of different sales.

(14) The Board may by regulations fix the maximum charges to be made for catalogues at public sales of greyhounds and different charges may be fixed in respect of different sales.

(15) Every person who fails or neglects to pay any sum payable by him under paragraph (*d*) of subsection (7) or paragraph (*d*) of subsection (11) of this section shall, without prejudice to proceedings under subsection (17) or (18) of this section, be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to a F64**[**class B fine**]**.

(16) Every sum payable by any person under paragraph (*d*) of subsection (7) or paragraph (*d*) of subsection (11) of this section shall, in default of payment and without prejudice to

proceedings under subsection (17) or (18) of this section, be recoverable by the Board as a simple contract debt in any court of competent jurisdiction.

(17) If, in relation to a greyhound race track, there is a contravention of any regulation under subsection (1), (5), (6) or (7)of this section, the licensee under the greyhound race track licence relating to the track shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a F65**[**class A fine**]**.

(18) If, in relation to an authorised coursing meeting, there is a contravention of any regulation under subsection (8), (10), (11) or (12) of this section, the person holding the meeting shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a F65**[**class A fine**]**.

(19) If, in relation to a public sale of greyhounds there is a contravention of any regulation under subsection (13) or (14) of this section, the person conducting the sale shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

Annotations

Amendments:

F64 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(o)(i), S.I. No. 399 of 2020. A class B fine means a fine not exceeding €4,000 as provided (4.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 5(1), S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

F65 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(o)(ii), S.I. No. 399 of 2020. A class A fine means a fine not exceeding €5,000 as provided (4.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 4(1), S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Modifications (not altering text):

C17 Maximum fine in subs. (19) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 21, S.I. No. 211 of 1999. A fine of £1,000 converted (1.01.1999) to €1,269.73. This translates into a class C fine not exceeding €2,500 as provided (1.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 6(3) and table ref. no. 1, S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

Increase of fines, under Act of 1958, etc.

12.— …

(2) The fine which may be imposed under a provision of the Act of 1958 specified in column (2) of the Table to this section shall be a fine not exceeding in amount the amount specified in column (3) of that Table opposite the reference number opposite which that provision is so specified.

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TABLE

Reference Number (1)	Provision of Act of 1958 (2)	Maximum Fine (3)
		£
...	...	...
12	Section 48(19)	1,000
...	...	...

Editorial Notes:

E213 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.02.2021) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2021* (S.I. No. 10 of 2021), in effect as per reg. 5.

E214 Power pursuant to subs. (13) exercised (1.07.2018) by *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 2018* (S.I. No. 223 of 2018), in effect as per reg. 4

E215 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.04.2017) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2017* (S.I. No. 101 of 2017), in effect as per reg. (4).

E216 Power pursuant to subs. (3) exercised (1.08.2016, 1.09.2016) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2016* (S.I. No. 440 of 2016), in effect as per reg. 8.

E217 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.10.2015) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2015* (S.I. No. 396 of 2015), in effect as per reg. 5.

E218 Power pursuant to section exercised (5.08.2015) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2015* (S.I. No. 350 of 2015). in effect as per reg. (4).

E219 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.08.2009) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2009* (S.I. No. 402 of 2009), in effect as per reg. 2.

E220 Power pursuant to section exercised (19.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), in effect as per reg. 37.

E221 Power pursuant to subs. (1) exercised (2.04.1984) by *Greyhound Race Track (Bookmakers Admission Charges) (Revocation) Regulations 1984* (S.I. No. 77 of 1984), in effect as per reg. 3.

E222 Power pursuant to subs. (5) exercised (3.05.1982) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) (Revocation) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 102 of 1982), in effect as per reg. 2.

E223 Power pursuant to subs. (1) exercised (3.05.1982) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) (Revocation) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 100 of 1982), in effect as per reg. 2.

E224 Power pursuant to subs. (5) exercised (7.03.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 53 of 1977), in effect as per reg. 5.

E225 Power pursuant to section exercised (1.10.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 299 of 1977), in effect as per reg. 5.

E226 Power pursuant to section exercised (10.02.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 31 of 1967), in effect as per reg. 6.

E227 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.10.2012) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2012* (S.I. No. 500 of 2012), in effect as per reg. 2; revoked (5.08.2015) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2015* (S.I. No. 350 of 2015), reg. (3), in effect as per reg. (4).

E228 Previous affecting provision: maximum fines in subss. (15), (17), (18) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. nos. 18-20, S.I. No. 211 of 1999; superseded as per F-note above.

E229 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (3.12.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 352 of 1993); revoked (19.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37(2).

E230 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), in effect as per reg. 36(2); revoked (14.06.2007) by *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 37(2).

E231 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (1) exercised (20.09.1982) by *Greyhound Race Track (Bookmakers Admission Charges) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 303 of 1982), in effect as per 5; revoked (2.04.1984) by *Greyhound Race Track (Bookmakers Admission Charges) (Revocation) Regulations 1984* (S.I. No. 77 of 1984), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 3.

E232 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (1) exercised (18.03.1981) by *Greyhound Race Track (Bookmakers Admission Charges) Regulations 1981* (S.I. No. 92 of 1981), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (20.09.1982) by *Greyhound Race Track (Bookmakers Admission Charges) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 303 of 1982), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E233 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (5) exercised (1.06.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 151 of 1980), in effect as per reg. 6; revoked (3.05.1982) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) (Revocation) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 102 of 1982), reg. 3, in effect as per reg. 2.

E234 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (1) exercised (1.06.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 150 of 1980), in effect as per reg. 5; revoked (3.05.1982) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) (Revocation) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 100 of 1982), reg. 3, in effect as per reg. 2.

E235 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (5) exercised (4.02.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 33 of 1980), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (1.06.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 151 of 1980), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E236 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (4.02.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 32 of 1980), in effect as per reg. 5; revoked (1.06.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 150 of 1980), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E237 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (19.03.1979) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1979* (S.I. No. 54 of 1979), in effect as per reg. 6; revoked (4.02.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 32 of 1980), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 4.

E238 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (7.03.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 54 of 1977), in effect as per reg. 5; revoked (19.03.1979) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1979* (S.I. No. 54 of 1979), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 6.

E239 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.01.1976) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1975* (S.I. No. 304 of 1975), in effect as per reg. 5; revoked (7.03.1977) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 54 of 1977), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E240 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.01.1975) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1974* (S.I. No. 360 of 1974), in effect as per reg. 5; revoked (1.01.1976) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1975* (S.I. No. 304 of 1975), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E241 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (5) exercised (1.06.1972) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) Regulations 1972* (S.I. No. 119 of 1972), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (4.02.1980) by *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 33 of 1980), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E242 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.06.1970) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1970* (S.I. No. 103 of 1970), in effect as per reg. 6; revoked (1.01.1975) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1974* (S.I. No. 360 of 1974), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 5.

E243 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (25.03.1968) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 52 of 1968), in effect as per reg. 3; revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E244 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.07.1967) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 133 of 1967), in effect as per reg. 36(2); revoked (12.07.1993) by *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 36(2).

E245 Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to section exercised (1.05.1964) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 77 of 1964), in effect as per reg. 4; revoked (10.02.1067) by *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 31 of 1967), reg. 1, in effect as per reg. 6.

Fixing of Stake money and prizes.

49. — (1) The Board may, after consultation with such licensees under greyhound race track licences as are concerned, by regulations or notice fix the stake money and prizes to be offered for events at greyhound race tracks and different stake money or prizes may be fixed in respect of different events and in respect of different tracks.

(2) If, in relation to a greyhound race track, there is a contravention of any regulation or notice under subsection (1) of this section, the licensee under the greyhound race track licence relating to the track shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a F66**[**class A fine**]**.

(3) Where stake money and prizes are fixed under this section by notice, the notice shall relate to a particular greyhound race track and shall be served on the licensee under the greyhound race track licence relating to the track.

Annotations

Amendments:

F66 Substituted (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 55(p), S.I. No. 399 of 2020. A class A fine means a fine not exceeding €5,000 as provided (4.01.2011) by *Fines Act 2010* (8/2010), ss. 3, 4(1), S.I. No. 662 of 2010.

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E246 Previous affecting provision: maximum fine in subs. (2) increased (25.07.1999) by *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), s. 12(2) and table ref. no. 22, S.I. No. 211 of 1999; superseded as per F-note above.

Appeal Committee.

50. — F68**[**(1) The Greyhound Racing Appeal Committee ("Appeal Committee") continues in being to determine appeals provided for by —

(*a*) section 49 of the Greyhound Racing Act 2019 pertaining to decisions of the Control Committee, and

(*b*) section 51 pertaining to decisions of the Board.

(1A) The members of the Appeal Committee who held office immediately before the commencement of section 50 of the Greyhound Racing Act 2019 cease to hold office upon such commencement but any such member is eligible to be reappointed as a member of the committee under this section.**]**

(2) The Appeal Committee shall consist of the following members:

(*a*) a chairman who shall be a Judge of the Supreme Court, F69**[**Court of Appeal,**]** High Court or Circuit Court or a practising barrister or solicitor of seven years' standing at least, and

(*b*) two ordinary members.

F70**[**(2A) A member of the Board, an office holder in the Club or member of the Control Committee shall not be a member of the Appeal Committee.**]**

(3) The members of the Appeal Committee shall be appointed by the Minister and shall be eligible for reappointment.

F71**[**(4) A member of the Appeal Committee may—

(*a*) by letter addressed to the Minister resign his or her membership and the resignation takes effect when the Minister receives the letter, or

(*b*) at any time be removed from office by the Minister if, in the opinion of the Minister, he or she has become incapable through ill-health of effectively performing his or her functions or has committed stated misbehaviour.**]**

(5) The term of office of a member of the Appeal Committee shall, unless terminated by death or resignation, be five years or, in the case of a member filling a vacancy caused by the death or resignation of a member, the remainder of the term of office of such last-mentioned member.

F72**[**(5A) A member of the Appeal Committee may serve a maximum of 2 consecutive terms.

(5B) Where a member of the Board, whose term of office has expired, has not been reappointed or may not be reappointed by virtue of having served 2 consecutive terms, the member shall continue in office until the vacancy occasioned by the expiration of his or her term of office is filled by the appointment of another person.**]**

(6) The quorum of the Appeal Committee shall be the chairman and one ordinary member.

(7) The Appeal Committee may act notwithstanding one vacancy among its ordinary members.

(8) An appeal to the Appeal Committee shall not be determined in favour of the appellant unless two members at least of the Appeal Committee are in favour of that determination.

F73**[**(9) A member of the Appeal Committee (other than a judge) shall be paid by the Board such remuneration (if any) and allowances for expenses (if any) as the Board with the consent of the Minister and the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform determines.

(10) The Board shall provide the secretarial and executive functions necessary to serve the work of the Appeal Committee.**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F67 Inserted (28.10.2014) by *Court of Appeal Act 2014* (18/2014), s. 42, S.I. No. 479 of 2014.

F68 Substituted and inserted by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 50(a), S.I. No. 524 of 2022.

F69 Inserted by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019). s. 50(b), S.I. No. 524 of 2022.

F70 Inserted by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019). s. 50(c), S.I. No. 524 of 2022.

F71 Substituted by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019). s. 50(d), S.I. No. 524 of 2022.

F72 Inserted by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019). s. 50(e), S.I. No. 524 of 2022.

F73 Substituted and inserted by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019). s. 50(f), S.I. No. 524 of 2022.

Appeals.

51. — (1) Where—

(*a*) a greyhound race track licence,

(*b*) a permit referred to in paragraph *(a)* of subsection (2) of section 25 of this Act,

(*c*) a course-betting permit,

(*d*) a permit referred to in paragraph *(a)* of subsection (1) of section 36 of this Act,

(*e*) a licence referred to in paragraph *(a)* of subsection (2) of section 37 of this Act,

(*f*) a licence referred to in paragraph *(a)* of subsection (2) of section 38 of this Act,

(*g*) a permit or approval referred to in *paragraph (h)* of subsection (2) of section 38 of this Act, or

(*h*) a licence referred to in paragraph *(a)* of subsection (2) of section 39 of this Act,

is refused, or, in the case of a licence or permit, is revoked or suspended, the applicant, licensee or permit holder may, within the period of twenty-one days beginning on the day on which the Board decides on the refusal, revocation or suspension and subject to *subsection (8)* of this section, appeal in writing to the Appeal Committee against the refusal, revocation or suspension.

(2) Where a regulation referred to in paragraph *(f)* of subsection (2) of section 25 of this Act is made, a licensee of a greyhound race track may, within the period of twenty-one days beginning on the day on which the regulation is made and subject to subsection (8) of this section, appeal in writing to the Appeal Committee against the regulation.

(3) On an appeal under this section, the Appeal Committee, after considering the refusal, suspension, revocation or regulation to which the appeal relates and after conducting any investigations, inquiries and hearings which they consider necessary, shall either refuse the appeal or—

(*a*) in the case of an appeal against the refusal of a licence, permit or approval, direct the Board (who shall comply with the direction) to grant a licence, permit or approval,

(*b*) in the case of an appeal against a revocation or suspension of a licence or permit, annul the revocation or suspension, and

(*c*) in the case of an appeal against a regulation, direct the Board (who shall comply with the direction) to revoke the regulation.

(4) For the purposes of subsection (1) of this section, where a licence or permit referred to in that subsection is refused, revoked or suspended or an approval referred to in that subsection is refused—

(*a*) notice of the refusal, revocation or suspension shall be served on the applicant, licensee or permit holder within the period of seven days beginning on the day on which the Board decides on the refusal, revocation or suspension,

(*b*)in the case of a revocation or suspension, the revocation or suspension shall be expressed (and, subject to subsection (6) of this section, shall have effect accordingly) as coming into operation on a specified day after the expiration of the period of twenty-one days beginning on the day on which the Board decides on the revocation or refusal.

(5) For the purposes of subsection (2) of this section, where a regulation referred to in that subsection is made—

(*a*) notice of the regulation shall be served on every licensee under a greyhound race track licence within the period of seven days beginning on the day on which the regulation is made,

(*b*) the regulation shall be expressed (and, subject to subsection (7) of this section, shall have effect accordingly) as coming into operation on a specified day after the expiration of the period of twenty-one days beginning on the day on which the regulation is made.

(6) Where—

(*a*) an appeal is taken under this section against the revocation or suspension of a licence or permit, and

(*b*) on the day on which the revocation or suspension is expressed as coming into operation, the appeal has not been withdrawn or determined,

the operation of the revocation or suspension shall stand suspended until (as may be appropriate) the appeal is withdrawn or refused or the revocation or suspension is annulled by the Appeal Committee.

(7) Where—

(*a*) an appeal is taken under this section against a regulation, and

(*b*) on the day on which the regulation is expressed as coming into operation, either the appeal has not been withdrawn or determined or, in the case in which the appeal has been determined by direction of the Appeal Committee for revocation of the regulation, such revocation has not been effected,

the operation of the regulation shall stand suspended until (as may be appropriate) the appeal is withdrawn or refused or the regulation is revoked by direction of the Appeal Committee.

(8) An appeal under this section shall be accompanied by the sum of five pounds which shall be held by the Appeal Committee until disposed of as follows:

(*a*) in case the appeal is withdrawn or is determined in favour of the appellant, it shall be returned to the appellant,

(*b*) in case the appeal is refused, it shall be paid to and retained by the Board.

(9) At a hearing conducted by the Appeal Committee in relation to an appeal under this section—

(*a*) the appellant may appear in person or by counsel, solicitor or agent,

(*b*) the Board may appear by counsel or solicitor or by an officer of the Board,

(*c*) any witness may, if the chairman of the Appeal Committee thinks fit, be examined on oath (which the chairman is hereby empowered to administer).

Annotations

Amendments:

F74 Substituted by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 51(a), not commenced as of date of revision.

F75 Substituted by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 51(b), not commenced as of date of revision.

F76 Substituted by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 51(c), not commenced as of date of revision.

F77 Substituted by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 51(d), not commenced as of date of revision.

Modifications (not altering text):

C18 Prospective affecting provision: subss. (1), (2), (4), (6)(a) substituted and subs. (8) amended by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 51(a)-(d), not commenced as of date of revision.

51. —F74**[**(1) Where a greyhound race track licence, a course-betting permit or a licence, permit or approval (within the meaning of section 30 of the Greyhound Racing Act 2019) is refused or is revoked or suspended (other than as an administrative racing sanction under section 46 (1)(c) of the Greyhound Racing Act 2019) the applicant, licensee or permit or approval holder may, within the period of 21 days beginning on the day on which the Board decides on the refusal, revocation or suspension and subject to subsection (8), appeal in writing (including by electronic means) to the Appeal Committee in such form as it decides against the refusal, revocation or suspension.

(2) Where a regulation is made under section 20 (1) of the Greyhound Racing Act 2019 for the purposes of paragraph (c) of that subsection, a licensee of a greyhound race track may, within the period of 21 days beginning on the day on which the regulation is made and subject to subsection (8), appeal in writing to the Appeal Committee against the regulation.**]**

(3) …

F75**[**(4) For the purposes of subsection (1), where a licence, permit or approval referred to in that subsection is refused, revoked or suspended —

(*a*) notice of the refusal, revocation or suspension and of the appeal procedure under this section shall be served on the applicant, licensee or permit holder within the period of 7 days beginning on the day on which the Board decides on the refusal, revocation or suspension, and

(*b*) in the case of a revocation or suspension, the revocation or suspension shall be expressed (and, subject to subsection (6), shall have effect accordingly) as coming into operation on a specified day after the expiration of the period of 21 days beginning on the day on which the Board decides on the revocation or refusal.**]**

(5) …

(6) Where —

F76**[**(*a*) an appeal is taken under this section against the revocation or suspension or a licence, permit or approval, and**]**

(*b*) ....

(7) ...

(8) An appeal under this section shall be accompanied by F77**[**€500**]** which shall be held by the Appeal Committee until disposed of as follows:

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Prosecution of offences.

52. — (1) F78**[**...**]**

(2) The following offences may be prosecuted by the Club:

(*a*) an offence under section 25 or section 37 of this Act consisting of a contravention of a rule under the section,

(*b*) an offence under section 43 of this Act in relation to an investigation at the instance of the Club,

(*c*) an offence under section 44 or section 46 of this Act in relation to an authorised officer of the Club.

(3) A prosecution for an offence under this Act may, in the case of a club, be brought against the club in the name under which it is commonly known, and any summons or other document required to be served on the club may be served on the secretary of the club and any warrant for the recovery of a fine imposed on the club may be executed against the goods and chattels of the club.

Annotations

Amendments:

F78 Repealed (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 6(2), S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

Service of documents.

53. — F79**[**...**]**

Annotations

Amendments:

F79 Repealed (1.10.2020) by *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), s. 4(4), S.I. No. 399 of 2020.

Section 26.

SCHEDULE.

CONSTITUTION OF THE IRISH COURSING CLUB.

1. Authority and Objects.

(i) The Irish Coursing Club (in this Constitution referred to as the Club) shall be the controlling authority over matters relating to the breeding (including registration and identification) of thoroughbred greyhounds and greyhound coursing in Ireland and shall have such functions in relation to greyhound racing and the training of greyhounds for reward as may be in accordance with law.

(ii) The objects of the Club shall be the promotion of the breeding of thoroughbred greyhounds (including maintenance of the Irish Greyhound Stud Book), the encouragement and regulation of greyhound coursing (including provision for the affiliation of local coursing clubs to the Club) and contributing to the regulation of greyhound racing and the training of greyhounds for reward and to the development of the greyhound industry in Ireland (including provision for the affiliation of persons owning or exercising control over greyhound race tracks (in this Constitution referred to as greyhound race track executives) to the Club).

(iii) The Club may, in pursuance of its objects—

(*a*) hold or take part in the holding of public coursing meetings; and

(*b*) enter into agreements or other arrangements with bodies in Ireland or elsewhere having a common or related interest in the greyhound industry.

2. Membership.

(i) The members of the Club shall comprise:—

(*a*) one representative member appointed by each affiliated coursing club entitled to hold coursing meetings authorised by the Club and by each greyhound race track executive; and

(*b*) co-opted members as hereinafter provided.

(ii) Representative members shall be appointed for triennial periods (and shall be eligible for reappointment) except that an affiliated coursing club or greyhound race track executive

(*a*) whose representative member dies, resigns or ceases because of disqualification to be a member during any triennial period or

(*b*) which becomes affiliated to the Club during any triennial period

may, except as hereinafter provided, appoint a representative member for the remainder of such triennial period.

(iii) A person shall be disqualified from being a representative member of the Club in any triennial period, and if he is already a representative member in that period shall cease to be such member, if

(*a*) he is not a member of the affiliated coursing club or the greyhound race track executive concerned in the appointment; or

(*b*) he is not ordinarily resident in Ireland; or

(*c*) he is subject to any disability imposed on him in relation to participating in the greyhound industry for conduct inimical to the breeding or coursing of greyhounds, or for the contravention of rules made by the Club relating to greyhound racing or the training of greyhounds for reward, or for any other irregularity committed in relation to the greyhound industry; or

(*d*) the coursing club or greyhound race track executive concerned in the appointment has failed to hold at least one coursing meeting authorised by the Club (either alone or jointly with a neighbouring coursing club entitled to hold such meetings) or greyhound race track meeting, during the preceding fifteen calendar months, in which case such club or greyhound race track executive shall thereby forfeit its right to appoint a representative member; or

(*e*) the coursing club or greyhound race track executive concerned in the appointment has ceased to be affiliated to the Club; or

(*f*) he is absent without an explanation, accepted by the Executive Committee, from three consecutive general meetings of the Club.

(iv) An affiliated coursing club or greyhound race track executive may appoint for any triennial period an alternate representative member to attend any meeting of the Club in the unavoidable absence of its representative member; an alternate representative member so attending a meeting of the Club shall have the same right to speak and vote thereat as a representative member. Notice shall be given before the meeting to the Secretary of the Club of the proposed attendance thereat of an alternate representative member and the reason for the absence from the meeting of the representative member concerned. Paragraphs (ii) and (iii) above, except clause (*f*) of the latter paragraph, shall apply to an alternate representative member.

(v) Every representative member of the Club immediately before this Constitution comes into operation shall become a representative member of the Club under the Constitution and, subject to the terms of the Constitution, shall remain such member until the beginning of the terms of office of the persons who are first appointed as representative members under the Constitution.

(vi) Every elected member of the Club immediately before this Constitution comes into operation shall become a co-opted member of the Club subject to the terms of the Constitution. No additional co-opted member shall be co-opted until the number of elected members who become co-opted members falls below fifty. Thereafter the number of co-opted members shall not at any time exceed fifty.

(vii) The co-option of co-opted members shall be by the Club at general meetings thereof.

(viii) A co-opted member who is at any time appointed a representative member or an alternate representative member shall be deemed not to be a co-opted member during the period for which he is so appointed except that no additional co-opted member may be co-opted in his place during such period.

(ix) No person may be co-opted as a co-opted member of the Club unless—

(*a*) he is a consistent supporter of greyhound coursing; and

(*b*) he has been a registered owner of thoroughbred greyhounds and a member of an affiliated coursing club during the whole of the preceding five years.

(x) A person shall be disqualified from being a co-opted member of the Club, and if he is already a co-opted member shall cease to be such member, if—

(*a*) he is subject to any disability imposed on him in relation to participating in the greyhound industry for conduct inimical to the breeding or coursing of greyhounds, or for the contravention of rules duly made by the Club relating to greyhound racing or the training of greyhounds for reward, or for any other irregularity committed in relation to the greyhound industry; or

(*b*) he is not a member of an affiliated coursing club entitled to hold coursing meetings authorised by the Club; or

(*c*) he is not ordinarily resident in Ireland.

3. Provincial Committees.

(i) There shall be a committee of the Club in each province (in this Constitution referred to as a Provincial Committee) consisting of the representative members of the Club appointed by coursing clubs and greyhound race track executives in the province.

(ii) The alternate representative member may attend in place of any representative member at a meeting of the Provincial Committee in the same way as at a general meeting of the Club.

(iii) Co-opted members of the Club ordinarily resident in the province may attend meetings of the Provincial Committee so long as such members are eligible to attend general meetings of the Club but shall not vote on any question arising thereat.

(iv) Each Provincial Committee shall—

(*a*) carry out such functions as are assigned to it by this Constitution and such functions as may from time to time be delegated to it by the Club at general meetings ;

(*b*) select each year the public coursing meetings in the province at which trial stakes allotted by the Club to the province shall form an item ;

(*c*) keep under review matters relating to the breeding, coursing and racing of greyhounds in the province and be empowered to make recommendations thereon to the Executive Committee and to general meetings of the Club ;

(*d*) consider and report on matters referred to it by the Executive Committee.

4. Executive Committee of the Club.

(i) There shall be a committee of the Club (in this Constitution referred to as the Executive Committee) to administer the business and affairs of the Club.

(ii) The President, Honorary Treasurer and Secretary of the Club shall be ex-officio members of the Executive Committee.

(iii) The total membership of the Executive Committee shall be twenty-one but the Committee may act notwithstanding vacancies in its membership.

(iv) The members of the Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Provincial Committees of the Club from among the representative members of the Club in their respective provinces.

The number of members so appointed from each province who are on the Executive Committee at any time (reckoning the previously appointed member where a casual vacancy exists) shall—

(*a*) be in the same proportion, or as nearly so as is possible, as the combined number of affiliated coursing clubs entitled to hold coursing meetings authorised by the Club and greyhound race track executives in each such province at the date of the most recent appointment bears to the combined total number of such clubs and executives in all the provinces; and

(*b*) include representative members of the Club who were appointed by affiliated coursing clubs to the extent at least of the proportion which the number of affiliated coursing clubs entitled to hold coursing meetings authorised by the Club in the province bears to the combined number of such clubs and affiliated greyhound race tracks in the province.

(v) Members of the Executive Committee shall be appointed for triennial periods (and shall be eligible for reappointment) except that the members appointed to vacancies arising as a result of members dying, resigning or ceasing because of disqualification to be members during any triennial period shall be appointed only for the remainder of such triennial period.

(vi) A person shall be disqualified from being a member of the Executive Committee, and if he is already a member shall cease to be such member, if he ceases to be a representative member of the Club.

(vii) Members of the Executive Committee and of any subcommittee of the Executive Committee may be reimbursed expenditure necessarily incurred by them in attending meetings thereof.

(viii) Notwithstanding any of the foregoing paragraphs of this Article, the members of the Standing Committee of the Club immediately before the coming into operation of this Constitution shall be deemed to be the members of the Executive Committee of the Club for a period of six months beginning on the date of the coming into operation of this Constitution. One-third, determined by lot, of the members in question shall cease to be members of the Executive Committee at the end of that period. Half of the other two-thirds, determined by lot, shall cease to be members of the Executive Committee one year thereafter and the remainder two years thereafter. A fraction shall be rounded to the next unit above, and paragraph (ii) above shall also apply.

5. General Meetings of the Club.

(i) The Club shall in every year hold at least one general meeting, which shall be known as the Annual General Meeting of the Club and shall be held between 30th July and 1st September.

(ii) The Executive Committee shall convene any additional general meetings of the Club that may be necessary. The Executive Committee shall convene a general meeting of the Club as soon as may be after receipt of a written request therefor signed by at least twenty representative members and stating the purpose of the meeting unless the Executive Committee by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting consider the request frivolous.

(iii) The Secretary of the Club shall give to each member of the Club, to the secretary of each affiliated coursing club entitled to hold coursing meetings authorised by the Club and to the secretary of each greyhound race track executive (all of whom shall keep the Secretary of the Club duly informed of their addresses) at least 28 days' written notice of the holding of the

Annual General Meeting of the Club and at least 14 days' written notice of the holding of other general meetings of the Club. Notice shall be sent by ordinary prepaid post and the non-delivery of any notice shall not invalidate a meeting. The Agenda for a general meeting of the Club shall be similarly notified at least 7 days before the meeting.

(iv) The quorum for a general meeting of the Club shall be twenty.

(v) The President and Honorary Treasurer of the Club immediately before the coming into operation of this Constitution shall continue to hold such offices until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club. At each Annual General Meeting, the Club shall appoint one of their members to be President and another of their members to be Honorary Treasurer of the Club and shall also appoint a qualified Auditor, for the ensuing year. The persons so appointed shall be eligible for reappointment in any subsequent year.

(vi) In the event of the President or Honorary Treasurer dying, resigning or ceasing to be a member of the Club during the year, the Club at its next general meeting shall appoint a member to replace him for the remainder of the year, pending which appointment the Chairman of the Executive Committee shall act in the vacant capacity.

(vii) The Chairman at any general meeting of the Club shall be the, President, or in his absence the Chairman of the Executive Committee, or in the latter's absence the Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee, or in the absence of all three a member appointed by the meeting.

(viii) Subject to this Constitution, the Club shall regulate, by standing orders or otherwise, the procedure and business at its general meetings.

6. Meetings of the Provincial Committees.

(i) Each Provincial Committee shall hold at least one meeting in every calendar year and shall hold such additional meetings as may be necessary for the due performance of its functions.

(ii) The Secretary of the Club or, if the Secretary cannot attend, a member of the staff of the Club authorised in his place from time to time shall act as secretary of each meeting of a Provincial Committee.

(iii) Meetings of the Provincial Committees shall be convened with the consent of the Executive Committee. The Secretary of the Club shall give to each representative member of the Club appointed by an affiliated coursing club and by the executive of a race track in the province, to the secretary of each coursing club and of each race track executive in the province by whom such representative members were appointed and to each co-opted member ordinarily resident in the province, at least 14 days' written notice of the holding of a meeting of the Provincial Committee for that province. Notice shall be sent by ordinary prepaid post and the non-delivery of any notice shall not invalidate a meeting. The agenda for a meeting of a Provincial Committee shall be similarly notified at least 7 days before the meeting.

(iv) The quorum for a meeting of a Provincial Committee shall be one-fifth of the total number of representative members entitled to attend (a fraction being rounded to the next unit above) subject to a minimum of four such members.

(v) Each Provincial Committee shall annually appoint one of its members to be Chairman of the Committee. In the absence of the Chairman at any meeting of the Provincial Committee the members present shall appoint one of their number to be Chairman of the meeting. In the event of the Chairman dying, resigning or ceasing to be a member of the Provincial Committee during

the year, the Committee shall at its next meeting appoint one of its members to be Chairman for the remainder of the year.

(vi) Subject to this Constitution, the Provincial Committees shall regulate, by standing orders or otherwise, the procedure and business at their meetings.

7. Meetings of the Executive Committee.

(i) The Executive Committee shall hold at least four meetings in every calendar year and shall hold such additional meetings as may be necessary for the due performance of its functions.

(ii) Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be convened by the Secretary of the Club on the authority of the Chairman or, in his absence, of the Vice-Chairman of the Committee. The Secretary shall convene a meeting of the Executive Committee on receipt of a written request therefor signed by at least six members of the Committee or twelve members of the Club.

(iii) The Secretary of the Club shall give to each member of the Executive Committee at least 7 days' written notice of the holding of a meeting of the Committee. A shorter notice may be given in a case of special urgency on the authority of the Chairman or, in his absence, of the Vice-Chairman of the Committee. Notice shall be sent by ordinary prepaid post and the non-delivery of any notice shall not invalidate a meeting.

(iv) The quorum for a meeting of the Executive Committee shall be seven.

(v) The Executive Committee shall appoint one of its members to be Chairman and another of its members to be Vice-Chairman of the Committee. In the absence of the Chairman at any meeting of the Executive Committee, the Vice-Chairman shall be chairman of the meeting, and in the absence of both, the members present shall appoint one of their number to be chairman of the meeting. The Honorary Treasurer or Secretary of the Club shall not be eligible for appointment as Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee or for appointment as chairman of any meeting of the Committee.

(vi) Subject to this Constitution, the Executive Committee shall regulate, by standing orders or otherwise, the procedure and business at its meetings.

8. Finance Sub-Committee.

(i) There shall be a sub-committee of the Executive Committee (in this Constitution referred to as the Finance Sub-Committee) with responsibility for keeping under review the financial affairs of the Club and its subsidiary interests (including Powerstown Park Ltd. and the Greyhound and Sporting Press Ltd.) and for making reports and recommendations thereon to the Executive Committee.

(ii) The Honorary Treasurer and Secretary of the Club shall be ex-officio members of the Finance Sub-Committee.

(iii) The Executive Committee shall appoint four other members of the Committee to be members of the Finance Sub-Committee and may co-opt not more than two further members of the Club as members of the Sub-Committee. The Sub-Committee may act notwithstanding vacancies in its membership.

(iv) A member of the Finance Sub-Committee appointed or co-opted under paragraph (iii) above shall cease to be such member whenever the Executive Committee so decides.

(v) Members of the Finance Sub-Committee may be reimbursed expenditure necessarily incurred by them in attendance at meetings thereof.

(vi) The Finance Sub-Committee shall hold at least four meetings in every calendar year.

9. Sub-Committees—General.

(i) Subject to Article 8 above, any of the Committees of the Club may from time to time appoint such and so many sub-committees of its members as such Committee thinks proper.

(ii) Any such Committee may delegate to a sub-Committee any of its functions, powers and duties which, in its opinion, can be better or more conveniently exercised or performed by a sub-Committee and may regulate the procedure of any such sub-Committee.

(iii) The acts of any sub-committee shall be subject to confirmation by the Committee which appointed it save where such Committee dispenses with the necessity for such confirmation.

10. Voting.

(i) Every appointment or co-option at a meeting of the Club, or of any of the Committees of the Club, shall be by ballot unless there is a unanimous appointment or co-option.

(ii) Every question at a general meeting of the Club (except a proposal to alter this Constitution or to co-opt a co-opted member of the Club) or at a meeting of any of the Committees of the Club (except as provided in Article 5 (ii) above) or any sub-committee of one of such Committees shall be determined by a majority of the votes of members present and voting on the question; in case of an equal division of votes the Chairman of the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.

(iii) A proposal to alter this Constitution or to co-opt a co-opted member of the Club shall require for approval two-thirds of the votes of members present and voting on the proposal at a general meeting of the Club.

11. Secretary, Staff and Agents.

(i) There shall be a Secretary of the Club who shall hold office at the pleasure of the Executive Committee and on such terms as the Executive Committee may determine.

(ii) The staff of the Club shall be appointed as the Executive Committee may determine.

(iii) The Executive Committee may appoint from time to time such and so many agents as may be necessary for the due discharge of the affairs of the Club.

12. Records, Reports and Accounts.

(i) The Secretary of the Club shall keep—

(*a*) minutes of the proceedings at all meetings of the Club, Committees of the Club and any sub-committees of such Committees;

(*b*) a register of the members of the Club; and

(*c*) a register of affiliated coursing clubs (distinguishing those entitled to hold coursing meetings authorised by the Club) and greyhound race track executives.

(ii) The Secretary shall make to every Annual General Meeting of the Club a Report on the activities of the Club and its subsidiary interests, the Committees of the Club and any sub-committees of such Committees during the year ended on the preceding 31st March.

(iii) The Secretary and Honorary Treasurer shall submit to every Annual General Meeting of the Club duly audited Statements of Revenue and Expenditure and Balance Sheets in respect of the Club and each of its subsidiary interests separately, together with a duly audited Consolidated Statement of Revenue and Expenditure and Consolidated Balance Sheet of the Club and its subsidiary interests for the year ended on the preceding 31st March. A copy thereof shall be sent to each member of the Club, to the secretary of each affiliated coursing club entitled to hold coursing meetings authorised by the Club and to the secretary of each greyhound race track executive, with the notice of the holding of the Meeting.

13. Trustees.

The property and assets of the Club and its subsidiary interests (including Powerstown Park Ltd. and the Greyhound and Sporting Press Ltd.) shall be vested in Trustees appointed by the Club.

14. Irish Greyhound Stud Book.

(i) The Secretary of the Club, who shall be the Keeper of the Irish Greyhound Stud Book, shall maintain a register or registers or a series of registers to be known as such Book and to contain such relevant particulars as the Club may from time to time require, including particulars in respect of the breeding and identification of thoroughbred greyhounds.

(ii) The Irish Greyhound Stud Book shall be published annually under the authority of the Club.

15. Discipline.

The Executive Committee of the Club may take or authorise the taking of disciplinary action, including the imposition of disabilities in relation to participating in greyhound breeding, coursing and racing, against persons who appear to them to have been guilty of conduct inimical to the breeding or coursing of greyhounds or to have contravened rules made by the Club relating to greyhound racing or the training of greyhounds for reward.

16. Rules.

(i) The Executive Committee of the Club shall make and enforce published rules approved by the Club governing:—

(*a*) the formation and functioning of local coursing clubs and affiliation of such clubs and of greyhound race track executives to the Club ;

(*b*) the functioning of Provincial Committees of the Club ;

(*c*) the registration of thoroughbred greyhounds in the Irish Greyhound Stud Book and the identification and marking of thoroughbred greyhounds ;

(*d*) greyhound coursing and the conduct of coursing meetings authorised by the Club ;

(*e*) the payment of fees to the Club and matters consequential on non-payment thereof; and

(*f*) disciplinary action by or on the authority of the Executive Committee (including appeals therefrom).

(ii) The Executive Committee of the Club may make and enforce, in accordance with law, published rules approved by the Club and governing greyhound racing, the training of greyhounds for reward and any other matter within the scope of this Constitution.

17. Interpretation.

The interpretation by the Executive Committee of the Club of any provision in this Constitution or in Rules made thereunder shall be final.

Number 12 *of* 1958

GREYHOUND INDUSTRY ACT 1958

REVISED

Updated to 5 February 2026

About this Revised Act

This Revised Act presents the text of the Act as it has been amended since enactment, and preserves the format in which it was passed.

Related legislation

Greyhound Industry Acts 1958 and 1993: this Act is one of a group of Acts included in this collective citation (*Greyhound Industry (Amendment) Act 1993*, s. 5(2)). The Acts in this group are:

- *Greyhound Industry Act 1958* (12/1958)
- *Greyhound Industry (Amendment) Act 1993* (37/1993)

Greyhound Racing Acts 1958 to 2019: this Act is one of a group of Acts included in this collective citation (*Greyhound Racing Act 2019*, s. 1(2)). The Acts in this group are:

- *Greyhound Industry Act 1958* (12/1958)
- *Greyhound Industry (Amendment) Act 1993* (37/1993)
- *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999), ss. 8-13
- *Horse and Greyhound Racing Act 2001* (20/2001), ss. 14, 15, 16, 17 (in so far as they relate to the Board)
- *Horse Racing Ireland Act 2016* (2/2016), s. 15
- *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019), other than Parts 10, 11

Annotations

This Revised Act is annotated and includes textual and non-textual amendments, statutory instruments made pursuant to the Act and previous affecting provisions.

An explanation of how to read annotations is available at www.lawreform.ie/annotations.

Material not updated in this revision

Where other legislation is amended by this Act, those amendments may have been superseded by other amendments in other legislation, or the amended legislation may have been repealed or revoked. This information is not represented in this revision but will be reflected in a revision of the amended legislation if one is available.

Where legislation or a fragment of legislation is referred to in annotations, changes to this legislation or fragment may not be reflected in this revision but will be reflected in a revision of the legislation referred to if one is available.

A list of legislative changes to any Act, and to statutory instruments from 1972, may be found linked from the page of the Act or statutory instrument at www.irishstatutebook.ie.

Acts which affect or previously affected this revision

- *Gambling Regulation Act 2024* (35/2024)
- *Greyhound Racing Act 2019* (15/2019)
- *Horse Racing Ireland Act 2016* (2/2016)
- *Court of Appeal Act 2014* (18/2014)
- *Ministers and Secretaries (Amendment) Act 2011* (10/2011)
- *Horse and Greyhound Racing Act 2001* (20/2001)
- *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Betting Charges and Levies) Act 1999* (24/1999)
- *Greyhound Industry (Amendment) Act 1993* (37/1993)

All Acts up to and including *Credit Review Act 2026* (1/2026), enacted 3 February 2026, were considered in the preparation of this revision.

Statutory instruments which affect or previously affected this revision

- *Greyhound Industry (Racing)(Amendment) Regulations 2021* (S.I. No. 263 of 2021)
- *Greyhound Industry (Racing)(Amendment) Regulations 2021* (S.I. No. 10 of 2021)
- *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2020* (S.I. No. 317 of 2020)
- *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2019* (S.I. No. 429 of 2019)
- *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2018* (S.I. No. 323 of 2018)
- *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 2018* (S.I. No. 223 of 2018)
- *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2017* (S.I. No. 101 of 2017)
- *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2017* (S.I. No. 387 of 2017)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Amendment Regulations 2017* (S.I. No. 527 of 2017)
- *Greyhound Trainers' (Amendment) Regulations 2016* (S.I. No. 291 of 2016)
- *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2016* (S.I. No. 440 of 2016)
- *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Amendment) Regulations 2016* (S.I. No. 441 of 2016)
- *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee)(Provisional Extension of Term of Office) Regulations 2016* (S.I. No. 491 of 2016)
- *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2015* (S.I. No. 350 of 2015)
- *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2015* (S.I. No. 396 of 2015)
- *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Amendment) Regulations 2015*(S.I. No. 397 of 2015)
- *Artificial Insemination of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 2014* (S.I. No. 494 of 2014)
- *Greyhound Race Track Totalisator (Quadlinko) Jackpot Regulations 2012* (S.I. No. 313 of 2012)

- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage Deduction) Regulations 2012* (S.I. No. 466 of 2012)
- *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2012* (S.I. No. 500 of 2012)
- *Finance (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2011* (S.I. No. 418 of 2011)
- *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2010* (S.I. No. 179 of 2010)
- *Greyhound Industry (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2009* (S.I. No. 402 of 2009)
- *Greyhound Race Track (totalisator) (Percentage Deduction) Regulations 2008*(S.I. No. 518 of 2008)
- *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Amendment) Regulations 2008*(S.I. No. 242 of 2008)
- *Greyhound Race Track (totalisator) (Win Jackpot) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 868 of 2007)
- *Greyhound Race Track (totalisator) (Operating) Amendment Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 867 of 2007)
- *Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 302 of 2007)
- *Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) Regulations 2007* (S.I. No. 301 of 2007)
- *Artificial Insemination of Greyhounds Regulations 2005* (S.I. No. 561 of 2005)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage Deduction) Regulation 2004* (S.I. No. 143 of 2004)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator)(Superfecta) Regulations 2003* (S.I. No. 663 of 2003)
- *Horse and Greyhound Racing (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2002* (S.I. No. 297 of 2002)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Amendement Regulations 2002* (S.I. No. 155 of 2002)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2002* (S.I. No. 77 of 2002)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Amendment Regulations 2001* (S.I. No. 425 of 2001)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 2001* (S.I. No. 39 of 2001)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Amendment Regulations 2001* (S.I. No. 3 of 2001)
- *Dual Forecast Jackpot Regulations 1999* (S.I. No. 471 of 1999)
- *Greyhound Industry Act 1958 (Section 32(1)(b)(ii)) (Commencement) Order 1999* (S.I. No. 212 of 1999)
- *Totalisator Act, 1929 Totalisator Licence* (S.I. No. 411 of 1998)
- *Greyhound Race Track Totalisator (Super) (Trio) Jackpot Amendment Regulations 1997* (S.I. No. 223 of 1997)
- *Greyhound Race Track Totalisator Super (Dual) Trio Jackpot Regulations 1997* (S.I. No. 139 of 1997)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Amendment Regulations 1996* (S.I. No. 330 of 1996)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1996* (S.I. No. 250 of 1996)
- *Greyhound Race Track Totalisator (Super) (Trio) Jackpot Regulations 1996* (S.I. No. 111 of 1996)
- *Totalisator Act, 1929 Totalisator Licence* (S.I. No. 21 of 1994)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 352 of 1993)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1993* (S.I. No. 158 of 1993)
- *Totalisator Act, 1929 Totalisator Licence* (S.I. No. 25 of 1993)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1991* (S.I. No. 188 of 1991)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Amendment Regulations 1991* (S.I. No. 8 of 1991)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) (Amendment) Regulations 1990* (S.I. No. 82 of 1990)
- *Greyhound Trainers' (Amendment) Regulations 1989* (S.I. No. 335 of 1989)

- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1989* (S.I. No. 334 of 1989)
- *Totalisator Act, 1929 Totalisator Licence* (S.I. No. 250 of 1989)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1989* (S.I. No. 161 of 1989)
- *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 1987* (S.I. No. 121 of 1987)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1985* (S.I. No. 79 of 1985)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) (Amendment) Regulations 1984* (S.I. No. 227 of 1984)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Bookmakers Admission Charges) (Revocation) Regulations 1984* (S.I. No. 77 of 1984)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1984* (S.I. No. 24 of 1984)
- *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption From Levy) Regulations 1983* (S.I. No. 345 of 1983)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1983* (S.I. No. 192 of 1983)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Bookmakers Admission Charges) Regulations 1982*(S.I. No. 303 of 1982)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 138 of 1982)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Trio) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 135 of 1982)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) (Revocation) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 102 of 1982)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) (Revocation) Regulations 1982* (S.I. No. 100 of 1982)
- *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 1981* (S.I. No. 418 of 1981)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Bookmakers Admission Charges) Regulations 1981* (S.I. No. 92 of 1981)
- *Greyhound Trainers' (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 371 of 1980)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 183 of 1980)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 151 of 1980)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 150 of 1980)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 144 of 1980)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 33 of 1980)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1980* (S.I. No. 32 of 1980)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1979* (S.I. No. 54 of 1979)
- *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption From Levy) Regulations 1978* (S.I. No. 254 of 1978)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 324 of 1977)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 299 of 1977)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 91 of 1977)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 90 of 1977)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 54 of 1977)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) Regulations 1977* (S.I. No. 53 of 1977)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1974* (S.I. No. 360 of 1974)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1975* (S.I. No. 304 of 1974)
- *Public Sales of Greyhounds (Amendment) Regulations 1974* (S.I. No. 53 of 1974)
- *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption From Levy) Regulations 1973* (S.I. No. 223 of 1973)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Race Card Charges) Regulations 1972* (S.I. No. 119 of 1972)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 69 of 1971)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) (Amendment) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 48 of 1971)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Regulations 1971* (S.I. No. 47 of 1971)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Permits For Persons Performing Specified Functions) Regulations 1970* (S.I. No. 289 of 1970)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1970* (S.I. No. 103 of 1970)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Jackpot) Regulations 1969* (S.I. No. 104 of 1969)
- *Greyhound Trainers' (Amendment) Regulations 1969* (S.I. No. 1 of 1969)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 198 of 1968)

- *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption From Levy) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 170 of 1968)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1968* (S.I. No. 52 of 1968)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 133 of 1967)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1967* (S.I. No. 31 of 1967)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Quinella Treble Forecast) Regulations 1966* (S.I. No. 90 of 1966)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Twin Double) Regulations 1966* (S.I. No. 89 of 1966)
- *Public Sales of Greyhounds Regulations 1966* (S.I. No. 76 of 1966)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1965* (S.I. No. 133 of 1965)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) (Amendment) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 170 of 1964)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 132 of 1964)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 131 of 1964)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Admission Charges) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 77 of 1964)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Quinella Treble Forecast) Regulations 1964* (S.I. No. 40 of 1964)
- *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption From Levy) Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 122 of 1963)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) (Amendment) Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 111 of 1963)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Special Exemption) Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 73 of 1963)
- *Public Sales of Greyhounds Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 34 of 1963)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) (Amendment) Regulations 1963* (S.I. No. 33 of 1963)
- *Greyhound Trainers' Regulations 1961* (S.I. No. 58 of 1961)
- *Authorised Coursing Meetings (Exemption From Levy) Regulations 1960* (S.I. No. 153 of 1960)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Percentage) Regulations 1960* (S.I. No. 67 of 1960)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Totalisator) (Operating) Regulations 1960* (S.I. No. 65 of 1960)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Racing) Regulations 1960* (S.I. No. 64 of 1960)
- *Greyhound Industry Act 1958 Greyhound Race Track (Permits For Persons Performing Specified Functions) Regulations 1959* (S.I. No. 10 of 1959)
- *Greyhound Industry Act 1958 Greyhound Race Track (Appointed Day) Order 1959* (S.I. No. 2 of 1959)
- *Greyhound Industry Act 1958 (Commencement of Section 26) Order 1958* (S.I. No. 259 of 1958)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Levy) (Percentage) Regulations 1958* (S.I. No. 228 of 1958)
- *Greyhound Industry Act 1958 (Commencement of Sections 32 33 34 and 35) Order 1958* (S.I. No. 227 of 1958)
- *Greyhound Industry Act 1958 (Appointed Day For Purposes of Chapter I of Part V) Order 1958* (S.I. No. 226 of 1958)
- *Greyhound Race Track (Levy Collection) Regulations 1958* (S.I. No. 225 of 1958)
- *Greyhound Industry Act 1958 (Establishment Day) Order 1958* (S.I. No. 150 of 1958)

All statutory instruments up to and including *Gambling Regulation Act 2024 (Commencement) Order 2026* (S.I. No. 31 of 2026), made 3 February 2026, were considered in the preparation of this revision.