

## GREYHOUND RACING VICTORIA

### Country Cup Bonus - Terms and Conditions

1. Greyhound Racing Victoria (GRV) Country Cup Bonus will be paid to the first eligible greyhound to win three (3) Victorian Country Cups in the Calendar Year.
2. To be eligible for the Country Cup Bonus, at the time of each Victorian Country Cup win, none of the greyhound's Connections could be suspended or disqualified and the greyhound and each of the greyhound's Connections must have met all qualifying, licensing, registration, eligibility, and nomination criteria relevant to them.
3. The winning greyhound of each Victorian Country Cup may be sampled. A win of a Victorian Country Cup will only be counted toward the Country Cup Bonus if the greyhound has been sampled at the Country Cup Finals Race and that sample\* has returned negative for any prohibited substances.
4. A Country Cup Finals Race declared a no race, or that is abandoned or cancelled, does not qualify for the Country Cup Bonus, regardless of whether any prize money is paid.
5. A greyhound is not eligible for a Country Cup Bonus if, during the Calendar Year, the greyhound has:
  - a. returned a positive sample\* to a prohibited substance.
  - b. been kennelled with a trainer who has during that Calendar Year:
    - i. been found guilty of a serious offence under the Rules of Racing, or
    - ii. has had a greyhound return a positive sample\* to a prohibited substance;
  - c. been owned by any person who has been found guilty of a serious offence under the Rules of Racing during that Calendar Year.
6. GRV may, in its ultimate discretion, deem a greyhound ineligible to receive the Country Cup Bonus, if during the Calendar Year the greyhound:
  - a. been found guilty of marring or failing to pursue,
  - b. has been kennelled with a trainer, or owned by a person who:
    - i. has been found guilty of an offence under the Rules of Racing, or
    - ii. has outstanding fines or monies owed to GRV,
    - iii. has refused to allow or interfered with the sampling of any greyhound, whether in competition or out of competition testing,
    - iv. has been charged with a serious offence under the Rules of Racing that may, in the opinion of GRV and if substantiated, bring the sport of greyhound racing into disrepute, or

- v. is the subject of an investigation that may, in the opinion of GRV and if the investigation results in a charge being laid, bring the sport of greyhound racing into disrepute.
7. Criteria 5 and 6 apply irrespective of whether an inquiry, hearing, matter, disciplinary process or appeal has been completed or is pending at the date on which a determination was made on eligibility, or a decision was made by GRV in relation eligibility.

### **Revocation**

8. The Country Cup Bonus is paid at the complete discretion of the GRV Board and may be revoked by the Board.
9. The GRV Board will revoke the Country Cup Bonus if the Board forms the reasonable belief that the greyhound was not eligible for the Country Cup Bonus.
10. If the Country Cup Bonus is revoked, the Country Cup Bonus paid becomes a debt that is immediately due and payable to GRV. If the monies are not repaid to GRV in full, the recipients will be declared a defaulter under the Rules of Racing.
11. The GRV Board reserves the right to undertake legal proceedings to recover a Country Cup Bonus that has been revoked by the Board.
12. Where the GRV Board is considering revocation, the GRV will notify the recipients. The recipients will be offered an opportunity to make a submission to the GRV Board as to why the awarding of the Country Cup Bonus should not be revoked.

### **Payment**

13. The Country Cup Bonus will be paid in accordance with the payment details and owner/trainer split recorded in FastTrack or with the greyhound trainer's Controlling Body.
14. Where the greyhound changes ownership and/or trainer during the Calendar Year, the Country Cup Bonus will be paid to the owner and trainer of the greyhound at the time of the third Victorian Country Cup win.

### **Definitions**

**Calendar Year** means from 1 January to 31 December of that year

**Connections** means the greyhound's owner, trainer and any other person who may have an interest in the greyhound (financial, equitable or otherwise) or who participated in any regulated activity with the greyhound during the Calendar Year

**Country Cup Bonus** means \$50,000 inclusive of any GST or other requirements

**Country Cup Finals Race** means the

- Ballarat Cup
- Bendigo Cup
- Cranbourne Cup
- Geelong Cup

- Healesville Cup
- Horsham Cup
- Sale Cup
- Shepparton Cup
- Traralgon Cup
- Warragul Cup
- Warrnambool Cup

**Victorian Country Cup** means a Country Cup Finals Race approved by GRV and conducted in accordance with the Rules of Racing.

\* Sampling and swabbing of greyhounds - Any samples taken are subject to GRV's future testing policy and any subsequent testing results will apply retrospectively as per the Rules of Racing.

