



# Fee Policy

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## COMMENCEMENT DATE

This policy comes into effect on 30 March 2006.

## PURPOSE

The *Racing Act 2002* authorises Greyhounds Queensland Limited (GQL) to make policies for the sound management of the industry. Section 81(v) of the Act requires GQL to make a policy on fees that it charges.

GQL provides a range of services to race clubs, industry participants and the general public for the benefit of the greyhound racing industry. GQL services to coordinate, manage and regulate the industry include:

- administering GQL rules of greyhound racing
- enforcing standards of safety and integrity
- licensing industry participants and racing greyhounds
- licensing race clubs and monitoring their activities
- licensing venues
- undertaking racecourse development and capital works
- initiating research and promotional activities
- administering industry funding and commercial agreements and
- representing the Queensland greyhound racing industry on the peak national body, Greyhounds Australasia Ltd, and its sub-committees.

Under the *Racing Act 2002*, GQL may charge fees for services it provides to manage the greyhound racing industry. These fees must reflect the reasonable cost of providing the service.

The purpose of this policy is to help ensure GQL manages the greyhound racing industry soundly by charging appropriate fees for its services and to ensure race clubs, industry participants and the general public understand why fees are charged and how fees are calculated.

## POLICY STATEMENT

GQL will charge appropriate fees for the sound management of the greyhound racing industry.



#### Fee Policy

GQL fees for services will be set according to the cost of providing the service and will be commensurate with those charged by similar organisations or organisations providing similar services. Fees are not designed merely to raise revenue.

GQL will review its fees annually and may adjust them in accordance with changes in the cost of providing the service or movements in the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

GQL will advertise changes to fees through its web site and the racing calendar (Journal) at least four weeks before the new fee comes into effect.

Fees may be paid by cash, cheque or credit card to GQL, or by direct deposit to GQL bank account.

Fees must be paid in full by the due date. Late payment may attract a penalty fee prescribed by GQL.

Unpaid fees beyond GQL payment terms may cause the debtor to be declared a defaulter with the person's name being added to the List of Defaulters.

## APPLICATION

This policy applies to:

- GQL
- Clubs
- Venues
- Licence holders

## DEFINITIONS

This policy adopts the terminology used in the *Racing Act 2002*. Schedule 3 of the *Racing Act 2002* contains a dictionary of words used in the *Racing Act 2002* and may be accessed via the internet at [www.legislation.qld.gov.au](http://www.legislation.qld.gov.au), under the tab "R".

**"List of Defaulters"** means a list of names of persons who:

- owe the Company, other control body or any club, any overdue and unpaid nomination or qualification fees, or money, or fines, or subscriptions or other fees; or
- are responsible for an unpaid bet in connection with a greyhound racing meeting.



**“Registration”** wherever appearing in a policy or GQL rules of greyhound racing “registration” and its derivatives shall, with any necessary amendments, have the same meaning as “licence” and its derivatives in accordance with the *Racing Act 2002*.

## PROCEDURES

### **Roles and responsibilities**

#### **GQL**

GQL must:

- set its fees according to the reasonable cost of providing the service
- must advertise changes in fees
- review fees if these are challenged and provide reasons supporting the reviewed fee.

### **Industry participants**

Industry participants must pay fees levied by GQL in full by the date they are due.

#### ***Review***

This policy will be reviewed after two years' operation.

This policy was reviewed by GQL Board on 3 March 2008, with the policy to be reviewed within two years of this date or earlier as determined by the GQL Board.

#### ***Rules of racing***

GQL rules of greyhound racing provide for the application of this policy.

#### ***Authority and other information***

This policy was issued by GQL on 30 March 2006 pursuant to the powers vested in the GQL by the *Racing Act 2002*.