

Rehabilitation to Rehoming Programme – Admission Form



PART A – Greyhound and incident details (on-track veterinarian to complete)

Date	Track	Race number
Greyhound name	Microchip	
Owner	On-track veterinarian	
Trainer	RtR co-ordinator	
Description of how injury/condition occurred (to be completed by on-track veterinarian)		

The greyhound must have a suspected or confirmed 'RtR-eligible' injury or medical condition, which is:

- **any bone fracture** except a single metacarpal or metatarsal, a toe (phalangeal and/or sesamoid) or a tail fracture; or
- **any joint dislocation above and including the wrist or hock** i.e. excludes MC-P, MT-P, toe and tail dislocation; or
- **complete Achilles tendon rupture or severe ligament rupture;** or
- **any other injury or medical condition** where on-track euthanasia may otherwise be considered appropriate in accordance with GRNZ's On-Track Euthanasia Guidelines.

Brief description of injury/condition (to be completed by on-track veterinarian)

More detailed information on diagnosis and treatment is available on the attached Veterinary Examination Details form

Medications administered:

Class	Medication(s) Name	Dosage	Route of Administration	Time
Opioids				
Sedative				
NSAIDs				
Other				

On-track veterinarian – complete only Part A of this form and 'Veterinary Examination Details' form (with additional information), adequately stabilise the injury or condition and provide appropriate analgesia (+/- sedation) before transport to the off-track veterinarian for a consultation with appropriate diagnostics.

RtR co-ordinator – as soon as practical (preferably the same day/night), please email rehomeing@grnz.co.nz a copy of the completed **Part A of this form** (we don't need the other three pages), the on-track veterinarian completed '**Veterinary Examination Details**' form, and any other relevant videos, photos and documents.

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PART B – Licensed Persons (LPs) in charge of the greyhound (LP to complete)

Complete Part B with your intentions for this greyhound and provide this entire document, along with the on-track veterinarian 'Veterinary Examination Details' form, to the RtR coordinator to give to the off-track veterinarian, where the follow-up and treatment is sought (*see page 4 on information on cooling-off period, funding and payments*).

Intention	Yes (please initial)	No (please initial)
Admit to RtR for full rehabilitation AND relinquish ownership to Great Mates for rehoming (I understand this greyhound will be desexed when appropriate).		
Retain ownership and admit to RtR for treatment only . I will complete my own rehabilitation period.		
Admit to RtR for full rehabilitation AND retain ownership . I aim to race in future if prognosis allows (I understand I may have to refund GRNZ for costs of veterinary treatment if the greyhound races in future).		
Admit to RtR for full rehabilitation AND retain ownership . I aim to breed in the future, I do not want this greyhound desexed (I understand I may have to refund GRNZ for costs of veterinary treatment if the greyhound is registered for breeding in future).		

PLEASE NOTE: If the injury does not meet the eligibility criteria outlined above, the LP having responsibility for the care of the greyhound will be responsible for the collection, treatment, and care of the dog, through its rehabilitation time, until they are able to enter the Rehoming Programme or are declared fit to resume racing. The cost of the initial consultation, diagnostics and treatment will be covered by GRNZ under this Policy, but any further treatment will be the LP's responsibility.

CONSENT FOR TREATMENT AND WAIVER:

I _____ (name of person in charge of the greyhound in Part A), confirm that I am the owner of the greyhound or have the authority to act on behalf of the owner and agree to this greyhound being subject to veterinary treatment and rehabilitation (subject to my choices above), in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Rehabilitation to Rehoming (RtR) Policy. I agree to be bound by my choices initialled above (seven days cooling-off period applies to any changes notified in writing) and I absolve GRNZ, their agents, staff, contractors and service providers from future liability arising due to veterinary complications, loss of earnings, loss of breeding potential or death of my greyhound, unless due to gross negligence.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

PART C – Off-track veterinary consultation (off-track veterinarian to complete)

Part C of this form must be completed by the off-track veterinarian and submitted to GRNZ within 3 days, accompanied by relevant clinical notes and diagnostic imaging. Payment options are:

- **GRNZ pays veterinary clinic direct:** In addition to providing Part B, clinical notes and diagnostic imaging, GRNZ also requires tax invoice(s) with GRNZ as the customer within 42 days – please email (welfare@grnz.co.nz); or
- **GRNZ reimburses LPs:** If the LP has paid veterinary costs and is requesting reimbursement from GRNZ, they must contact GRNZ on 04 589 4900 or email welfare@grnz.co.nz. GRNZ will proactively contact the LP regarding the Rehabilitation Subsidy once GRNZ receives the completed Part B and veterinary invoice(s).

Veterinarian details

Vet name

Practice name

Vet Council registration

Mobile

Email

Greyhound details

Race name

Microchip

Off-track veterinarian consultation

Date of initial consultation

Injury/condition details (please forward complete clinical notes including imaging)

1. If the injury/condition **is confirmed to be not GRNZ-eligible** as per Part A, GRNZ will only fund the cost of the initial veterinary consultation up to the point of reaching a diagnosis sufficient to provide a reasonably accurate prognosis.
2. If the injury/condition **is confirmed to be GRNZ-eligible** as per Part A, GRNZ funding is available for:
 - a. The full cost of the initial consultation plus immediate treatment (as well as conservative treatment if non-surgical); and
 - b. Surgery costs (including GST) of up to \$5,000. Further funds may be available on request (contact GRNZ).

Treatment and rehabilitation plan (please attach additional notes, imaging and plan)

Treatment plan

Treatment provided

Rehabilitation plan

Expected rehabilitation period

weeks

(until ready to start training or sound enough to breed or sound enough to re-home)

Privacy Declaration

This information is being collected and will be held at the office of Greyhound Racing New Zealand (GRNZ) in Wellington in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020 for administrative purposes only. Without the requested information, GRNZ may not be able to process the matters relating to this form. You agree that the personal information supplied by you may be retained by GRNZ and shared with Greyhounds Australasia, who will not disclose the information unless for administrative purposes or if required by law. You can access your personal information from the GRNZ office on Level 4, 106-110 Jackson Street, Petone, Wellington for inspection and/or amendment as necessary. Note: Your information may be sent to Greyhounds Australasia for administrative purposes. Greyhounds Australasia may not protect your information in a way that provides comparable safeguards to the New Zealand Privacy Act 2020.

REHABILITATION TO REHOMING PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

The Rehabilitation to Rehoming (RtR) programme is a GRNZ programme to provide funding towards the off-track veterinary diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation of a greyhound that is **suspected or confirmed** to have an **'RtR-eligible'** injury or medical condition sustained during a race meeting that is attended by an on-track veterinarian (OTV) or a club trial held at a GRNZ track. An **RtR-eligible injury or medical condition** is defined as:

- a. any **bone fracture** except a single metacarpal or metatarsal fracture, a toe (phalangeal and/or sesamoid) fracture or a tail fracture; or
- b. any **joint dislocation above and including the wrist or hock** so does not include a metacarpal-phalangeal or metatarsal-phalangeal dislocation, a toe dislocation or a tail dislocation; or
- c. a complete **Achilles tendon rupture or severe ligament rupture**; or
- d. any other injury or medical condition where on-track euthanasia may otherwise be considered appropriate in accordance with the On-Track Euthanasia Guidelines.

The OTV must stabilise the injury/condition and administer appropriate pain relief and may require that the greyhound receives overnight veterinary care at an emergency veterinary clinic (RtR-funded).

The GRNZ RtR co-ordinator for that track must arrange to transport the greyhound to an off-track veterinarian of their choice for an initial off-track veterinary diagnostic consultation or emergency care. The purpose of this consultation is to obtain an accurate diagnosis of the injury/condition and prognosis, particularly where it requires confirmation by diagnostic tests such as x-rays.

FUNDING

Funding consists of **veterinary costs** payable directly to the veterinarian(s) and/or reimbursement of the participant.

Veterinary costs: Following the initial off-track veterinary diagnostic consultation, there are two possible outcomes:

1. **Injury/condition confirmed to be not RtR-eligible:** GRNZ will fund all reasonable costs of the initial veterinary diagnostic consultation (including immediate treatment, such as pain relief and/or stabilisation necessary to ensure the welfare of the greyhound during this stage) up to the point of reaching a diagnosis, to the value of \$2,000, but will **not** fund any subsequent treatment costs.
2. **Injury/condition confirmed to be RtR-eligible:** GRNZ will fund all reasonable costs of the initial veterinary diagnostic consultation (including immediate treatment, such as pain relief and/or stabilisation necessary to ensure the welfare of the greyhound during this **stage 1**) up to the point of reaching a diagnosis plus:
 - where the greyhound is treated conservatively, this treatment and aftercare will be fully funded; or
 - where the prospects of recovery with an acceptable welfare outcome are poor, such that euthanasia is considered by the veterinarian to be in the best interests of the greyhound, GRNZ will also fund the cost of euthanasia.
- **Stage 2 (surgery):** Over and above stage 1 funding, GRNZ will also fund all reasonable **veterinary costs for the surgical treatment** and post-operative care up to \$5,000 for complex surgical cases.
- Additional funds may be available in exceptional circumstances by application to GRNZ.

PROCESS

1. OTV examines the greyhound, provides pain relief, injury stabilisation and other appropriate treatment, and assists in facilitating referral to a suitable off-track veterinary clinic where required.
2. OTV completes Part A of this form and emails a copy to rehomeing@grnz.co.nz, plus a copy of the Veterinary Examination Details form.
3. LP completes Part B of the form and notifies their intentions by initialling the table (a change of mind can be considered within seven days by notifying GRNZ in writing). The RtR co-ordinator transports the greyhound to a veterinarian of their choice for assessment and diagnosis, within the required timeframe.
4. The off-track veterinarian treats the greyhound and emails completed Part C of this form to rehomeing@grnz.co.nz accompanied by clinical notes and x-rays. Invoices should be sent to GRNZ as soon as possible, noting veterinary invoices for follow-up treatment can continue to be sent to GRNZ up to the capped amount for that greyhound.
5. Where LPs are seeking reimbursement of veterinary invoices that they have already paid, they must email a copy of the invoice(s) and receipt(s) to rehomeing@grnz.co.nz.
6. LPs who intend to retain ownership will be informed of the diagnosis, prognosis and treatment options considered, including euthanasia, where appropriate. They will need to provide consent to proceed.
7. All LPs will be kept informed of the diagnosis prognosis and intended treatments during the seven days cooling-off period.