

# GRNZ HEALTH & WELFARE STANDARDS

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## PURPOSE OF THE GRNZ HEALTH AND WELFARE STANDARDS

These GRNZ Health and Welfare Standards specify the duty of care required to meet the physical, health and behavioural needs of greyhounds under the jurisdiction of GRNZ. The Standards supplement the Animal Welfare (Dogs) Code of Welfare, which is applicable to ALL dogs in New Zealand and must be read and adhered to in conjunction with these GRNZ specific standards.

## WHO DO THESE HEALTH AND WELFARE STANDARDS APPLY TO?

These Standards apply to all persons licensed by GRNZ, according to the Rules of Racing, who are responsible for the welfare of GRNZ registered greyhounds through to, but not including, the rehomed greyhounds after their retirement from all GRNZ activities.

## WHAT HAPPENS IF THESE HEALTH AND WELFARE STANDARDS ARE NOT FOLLOWED?

Failure to meet these Standards may be used as evidence to support a charge for an offence under the GRNZ Rules of Racing and possibly the Animal Welfare Act and associated regulations.

## WHICH ANIMALS DO THESE HEALTH AND WELFARE STANDARDS APPLY TO?

The Standards apply to all greyhounds registered according to the Rules of Racing and/or kept by persons licensed by GRNZ. This includes puppies and young greyhounds not yet registered as racing greyhounds and those kept for breeding.

## OTHER DOCUMENTS LINKED TO THE HEALTH AND WELFARE STANDARDS

Other documents linked to these Health and Welfare Standards that must be adhered to include:

- Animal Welfare Act 1999
- Animal Welfare Regulations issued under the Animal Welfare Act 1999
- Code of Welfare for Dogs
- Code of Welfare for Transport within New Zealand
- Dog Control Act 1996

These documents can be found on the Ministry for Primary Industries website at [mpi.govt.nz](http://mpi.govt.nz) and the New Zealand Legislation website at [legislation.govt.nz](http://legislation.govt.nz)

## FURTHER INFORMATION

The Health and Welfare Standards 2018 can be viewed at [grnz.co.nz](http://grnz.co.nz). Copies of the GRNZ Health and Welfare Standards 2018 can be obtained from: GRNZ, PO Box 38313, Wellington Mail Centre 5045 or by emailing [greyhound@grnz.co.nz](mailto:greyhound@grnz.co.nz)