

# SAFE WORK SITE PROTOCOLS - CAMBRIDGE RACEWAY

Special Policy for Racing Under Covid Alert Level 2, updated Wed 20 May 2020

Changes from Level 3 are Highlighted

## BEFORE LEAVING HOME

Anybody who is feeling unwell must remain at home.

Anybody over the age of 70, or suffering from an underlying illness is strongly encouraged to remain at home.

Bring your own food and drink bottle with you. (Although Clubhouse Sports Bar will be open and subject to their own protocols.)

Handlers to bring their own coat/wet-weather gear.

Arrange care for children, the racetrack is a **Work Site ONLY**.

Plan to arrive at track and remain on site until you are finished. Do Not 'pop out to the mall' or get takeaways. If split kennelling allows you to make a round trip to your Kennels and back, please email the Stewards of your intentions when the fields come out.

## WHO CAN ENTER TO THE SAFE WORK SITE (CAMBRIDGE RACEWAY)

Access to meeting limited to essential staff such as licensed trainers (or trainers' reps) with dogs at the meeting, licensed handlers, stewards, vets, club and RITA employees with race day duties.

No tote operators.

No owners, other than those with other roles already listed.

No children.

No public.

## ON ENTERING THE SAFE WORK SITE (CAMBRIDGE RACEWAY)

To meet contact tracing requirements, your name and contact details will be recorded prior to entering the gate.

## KENNELLING

Split Kennelling will continue as Normal.

One door will be used for dogs going TO kennels, One door for dogs leaving the kennels

Maintain 2m spacing whilst in queue for kennelling (as you would at a supermarket).

Pre-kennelling veterinarian exams will be conducted in open air when possible.

Pre-kennelling veterinarian to disinfect between "bubbles".

Greyhound ID process limited to microchip scanning, ear brand check as a last resort only.

Gate to scales to be operated by Handler, then disinfected between dogs..

Only handlers of Greyhounds and essential kennel staff to be in kennel block when required to be. Maintain 1m spacing inside Kennel block.

Handler to operate door to their dog's kennel.

Prior to handling another dog or commencing any other task, head to a bathroom thoroughly wash your hands with soap.

## WALK FROM KENNEL TO BOXES

Maintain 1m spacing retrieving your greyhound from the kennel area, then 2m spacing through fitting of their rug, stir-up, and the walk to boxes.

Aim to reach boxes 'Just in Time' for loading.

## **BOXING: RETURN TO NORMAL 2 LINES OF 4 DOGS**

Box First Dogs will continue to Box First

Form two rows, with 2nd row leaving 2m spacing so 1st row handlers can pass.

375m Handlers, who are also catching, to head to Catching Area as soon as they have loaded their dog.

Maintain 2m spacing while the race is running.

Box lids to be disinfected after the race.

## **CATCHING**

Maintain 2m spacing until lure stops.

One catcher per dog.

Catchers from same bubble should move in to catch first.

Maintain 1m spacing whilst catching.

Return to 2m spacing once your dog is under control.

## **WALK OFF THE TRACK / NO DAIS / WASH DOWN**

Maintain 2m spacing on walk back.

No Dais.

Maintain 2m spacing at wash down.

Return rug, and return dog to van/trailer or swab kennel.

Prior to handling another dog or commencing any other task, head to a bathroom thoroughly wash your hands with soap.

## **TRIALS ON RACEDAY**

Qualifying Trials, Reserve dog and other Trials will take place at the conclusion of kennelling

Trainers are to register their dogs on arrival at the track with the kennel Steward

Trainers will then assemble with their dog(s), maintaining 1 metre spacing at all times

Trainers and dogs will then be taken to the starting points, to trial their dog(s). Note no more than 2 dogs to trial at any time and both dogs having the same trainer

Starter prepares the boxes for trials (closing lids, ensuring doors open) and moves 1m aside to enable the first trainer (Trainer A) to box the dog(s). who would then move at least 1m away from the boxes allowing the starter to take his position and start the trial

The training team would then catch the dogs & return them to their trailer.

Once trainer A is finished they will vacate the track, maintaining 1 metre distancing at all times from all staff and waiting trainers.

The starter should disinfect the box door handles allowing Trainer B to trial their dog(s)

This process will be repeated until all dogs have been trialled

Note in accordance Trials Policy no Handslips

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Note there are two other businesses operating at Cambridge Raceway throughout the race meetings namely Garrads Horse & Hounds and The Club House Sports Bar. Any WGRC registered Essential Staff will be required if entering either business to satisfy their Work Site Protocols and complete required Tracing Documentation. The WGRC Worksite Protocols do not extend to these businesses