

SAFE WORK SITE PROTOCOLS - MANUKAU STADIUM

Special Policy for Racing Under Covid Alert Level 2, updated Fri 22 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.

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 (MANUKAU STADIUM)

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 and registered owners with dogs racing on the day.

As listed above, only those owners with dogs engaged on the day.

No children.

No public.

ON ENTERING THE SAFE WORK SITE (MANUKAU STADIUM)

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.

"In" door will be used for dogs going TO kennels, "Out" 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.

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

Qualifying Trials, and /or Reserve greyhound Trials will be conducted in accordance with the GRNZ Rules and Policies. Specific protocols pertaining to each race

Handlers and dogs form one row and follow starters instruction to box

Maintain 2m spacing while the race is running.

Box lids to be disinfected after the race.

Reserve dog (s) and Other Trials

Trainers are to register with the Office their dogs for a pre Race meeting Other Trial by no later than 12 noon on the Friday for a Sunday meeting and 12pm on Wednesday for a Thursday race meeting

Reserve and Other Trials will take place at the conclusion of Qualifying Trials

Trainers will then assemble with their dog(s), at either the 527m or 318m starting point; maintaining 2 metre spacing at all times

Starter prepares the boxes for trials (closing lids and ensuring doors open) and moves 1m aside to enable the first trainer (s) (Trial 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. Note no more than 4 dogs per Other Trial

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

Once Other Trial A was finished they will vacate the track, maintaining 1m distancing at all times from all staff and waiting trainers.

The starter should disinfect the box door handles allowing Other Trial "B"

This process will be repeated until all dogs have been trialled

Note in accordance Trials Policy no Handslips

OTHER BUSINESS SPORTSBOWL FUNCTION CENTRE

Note that the Sportsbowl Function Centre will be open for business within the confines of the Manukau Stadium.

The Sportsbowl Function Centre will use the Greyhound Lounge Facility only and with their own protocols, which for convenience are published below.

AUCKLAND GREYHOUND RACING CLUB & SPORTSBOWL FUNCTION CENTRE

We are all in this together and need to keep taking the risk of Covid-19 seriously, and why these guidelines are in place. We are monitoring the health of our staff. Please only come in if you are healthy and well.

Contact Tracing forms must be fully completed on entering the Manukau Stadium and time-out completed when leaving.

Entry to the Greyhound Lounge

Entry to the Greyhound Lounge is restricted to the following:

AGRC Essential Staff (as per AGRC Protocols)

GRNZ Registered Owners with dogs engaged at the meeting

AGRC Financial Members

AGRC Members Guests (pre ordered on the day before the race meeting)

Note no children

No Public

Sanitising stations - are in all rest rooms, \and throughout the Greyhound Lounge

Distancing of 1m applies at all times until further notice.

Please enter the Greyhound Lounge and wait to be seated and wait to be served

Smoking Area - no drinks be taken into the smoking area please.

This means everyone gets a chance to be in there. No one is to remain there for long periods.

You must be seated and spaced. No smoking is permitted outside the front of the GreyhoundLounge.

Off Licence Sales - There will be no off sales

This is very new for everyone - thank you for your patience and kindness.