

GRNZ SAFE WORK SITE PROTOCOLS - MANAWATU RACEWAY

Special Policy for Racing Under Covid Alert Level 3, updated Fri 8 May 2020

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. i.e. once you leave the track you will Not be welcome to return.

WHO CAN ENTER TO THE SAFE WORK SITE (MANAWATU 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 (MANAWATU RACEWAY)

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

KENNELLING

All dogs to be kennelled prior to Race 1.

Additional time for kennelling will be allowed in order to achieve this.

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 use hand sanitiser 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.

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

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

Split into 4 lines of 2 dogs: 1&5, 3&7, 2&6, 4&8 still at 2m spacing close to the boxes.

BOXING: 4 LINES OF 2 DOGS

Box First Dogs will continue to Box First

Four line model for loading:

1 & 5 boxed first, followed by 3 & 7, followed by 2 & 6, followed by 4 & 8.

Apart from those in the final row, handlers to leave the starting area as soon as they have loaded their dog.

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.