

EHMP COMPONENTS AND APPROVALS

EHMP component	EHMP component description	Veterinary practitioner approved
Assessment of new greyhounds before admission to the establishment	General protocol for assessing greyhounds prior to their being accepted into the establishment.	X
Daily visual behavioural and welfare assessments of greyhounds (only where there are signs of ill health of stress, these must be recorded in the applicable greyhound record)	<p>General protocol for ensuring daily <u>visual</u> observations are made and any concerning observations appropriately recorded.</p> <p><u>Recorded</u> observations are only required where there are signs of ill health of stress.</p>	X
Assessment programs for the health and welfare of greyhounds being reared for sale	General protocol for assessing the health and welfare of greyhounds that are being reared for sale prior to their leaving the establishment.	✓
Exercise, environmental enrichment and socialisation for each class of greyhound, including puppies, rearing, educating, pre-training, training and racing greyhounds	<p>General protocols stating how exercise, environmental enrichment and socialisation will be achieved and maintained for greyhounds (of all age classes) at the establishment.</p> <p>The EHMP does not require the listing of training or racing practices or methods.</p> <p>Note: If participants wish to adopt the minimum exercise, socialisation and enrichment requirements outlined in Table 1 of the Code at their establishment, this is to be stated. In this circumstance, general protocols for exercise, environmental enrichment and socialisation are only required in the EHMP for age classes not addressed in Table 1, being education, pre-training, training and racing greyhounds.</p>	✓

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<p>Where conducting education and pre-training, the age at which greyhounds within the establishment will be exposed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collar training • Lead training • Chase motivation training • Transport vehicles and equipment (e.g. Trailers, crates) • Training facilities (e.g. Slipping tracks, circular tracks) • Race facilities (e.g. Starting boxes, racing kennels, catching pens) 	<p>General protocols stating the age at which greyhounds will be exposed to each of the items listed.</p> <p>This does not require the listing of training or racing practices or methods.</p> <p>Where an establishment does not have greyhounds in the education or pre-training age class, these protocols do not need to be listed in that establishment's EHMP.</p>	<p>X</p>
<p>Preparing a greyhound for retirement and rehoming</p>	<p>If the requirements stated in section 6.5 of the Code are adopted, this is to be stated in the EHMP.</p> <p>Where preparations for retirement and rehoming differ from section 6.5 of the Code, the protocol is to be stated in the EHMP.</p> <p>Where the GRV registered owner does not have an EHMP, preparations for retirement and rehoming that differ from section 6.5 of the Code must be stated in a separate document.</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>(‘wind-down’ methods in relation to change in diet and exercise)</p>

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Risk assessments of housing and exercise areas and risk management plans	<p>General protocols for the assessment of risks at the establishment, as well as a list of current risks, their risk rating (i.e. high, medium, low) and mitigation measures.</p> <p>Risk assessments should consider all areas of the facility where animals are held (even for just short periods of time). Particularly consider areas where animals can injure themselves, escape from or ingest items that may be detrimental to their health and welfare. Also consider staff/human safety risks for all areas of the facility.</p>	X
Euthanasia in emergency situations, including approved methods and personnel	<p>Protocols must outline:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the method of humane euthanasia the establishment plans to use in emergency situations • the staff at the establishment who have the skills and/or qualifications to carry out emergency euthanasia. <p>Note: The Code defines emergency euthanasia to mean when a greyhound has a fractured spine or severe head trauma and cannot be moved, or any other circumstance as determined and approved by a veterinary practitioner.</p>	✓ (method)

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Overnight monitoring, including the implementation of emergency action if required	<p>For establishments with 51 or more greyhounds, protocols must outline how:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • general overnight monitoring will be maintained • overnight monitoring will ensure the welfare of greyhounds that are ill, injured, whelping or showing signs of whelping. • the establishment will respond to emergencies that occur overnight. <p>For establishments with 50 or less greyhounds, protocols must outline how:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • overnight monitoring will ensure the welfare of greyhounds that are ill, injured, whelping or showing signs of whelping. • the establishment will respond to emergencies that occur overnight. 	<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(adequacy of care for ill/whelping greyhounds)</p>
Housing acclimatisation program	<p>General protocols for how greyhounds will be, over time, assisted to adjust in moving from rearing pens and yards to racing kennels.</p> <p>This should consider how observations of any signs of stress, poor acclimatisation, or development of behavioural stereotypes will be recorded and used as a management tool to assess the acclimatisation of the greyhound to new housing or changes to daily routine.</p> <p>Note: This may not apply to all greyhound establishments, for example those that keep only racing greyhounds would not undertake a housing acclimatisation program.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">X</p>

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Quarantine and movement of greyhounds, including for new greyhounds introduced to the establishment	<p>General protocols for how greyhounds will be moved between pens and yards within the establishment.</p> <p>These protocols must account for quarantine requirements of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> any greyhounds showing signs of illness or disease new greyhounds entering the establishment. 	X
Response to an outbreak of infectious disease at the establishment	<p>General protocols for how the establishment will respond to an infectious disease outbreak (e.g. Canine Cough).</p> <p>This will need to consider how isolation of infected greyhounds will be achieved and maintained to ensure healthy greyhounds remain free of the disease. Isolation may be achieved on-site (where isolation housing is available), or off-site as detailed in the veterinary agreement.</p>	✓
Management of isolation housing at the establishment	<p>General protocols for how the establishment will manage its isolation housing. This will need to consider when and how isolation housing will be used, as well as how disinfection will be maintained.</p> <p>Greyhound establishments that access isolation housing through their veterinary agreement will not need to include protocols for the management of isolation housing in their EHMP.</p>	X
Staff induction process	<p>General protocols for how staff are inducted at the establishment. This should include how staff are advised of emergency procedures, as well as hygiene and general greyhound care and husbandry requirements.</p> <p>Establishments may wish to include an induction process for visitors, however this is not mandatory under the Code.</p>	X

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Hygiene (for both persons on site and greyhounds), disinfection and disease prevention, including pest management protocols	Protocols must outline: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cleaning regimes for all greyhound pens, yards, toys, food bowls etc. • disinfection practices for all greyhound pens, yards, toys, food bowls etc. (as disinfection does not usually happen as often as general cleaning) • pest management practices (e.g. control of mice) 	X
Vaccination programs for greyhounds	General protocols stating the age at which greyhounds will be vaccinated, including a list of the vaccinations they will receive. Note: Establishments keeping greyhounds older than 16 weeks will simply have to outline a regime to ensure all greyhounds receive their annual Canine Cough vaccination.	✓
Internal and external parasite prevention and treatment programs including screening for fleas, ear mites, ticks, and ringworm	General protocols for prevention and treatment of internal and external parasites. This will need to consider how greyhounds are monitored for signs of parasites such as fleas, ear mites, ticks, and ringworm.	✓
Dental management, including gum disease and plaque management	General protocols for maintenance of dental health for all greyhounds at the establishment. This will need to consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how greyhounds are monitored for signs of gum disease • plaque management practices. 	✓

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Oral supplements and injectable substances regimes	<p>Where establishments use oral supplements and injectables, the EHMP must outline:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> regimes for their administration to greyhounds (e.g. how often are they administered, via what means, by whom, etc.) ongoing management of their use. 	✓
Grooming requirements	<p>General protocols for grooming of greyhounds, (e.g. brushing, bathing etc.).</p> <p>The protocols will need to consider how often greyhounds are groomed, and when grooming over and above the general practices might be required.</p>	X
The provision of an appropriate diet for all greyhounds at the establishment	<p>General protocols to ensure greyhounds of all age classes at the establishment are receiving adequate and appropriate nutrition.</p> <p>The protocols will need to consider the type of diet greyhounds are provided, how often they are fed, and how the establishment ensures it has enough food for all greyhounds on site.</p>	✓
Intervention and management actions to reduce and manage the risk of greyhounds showing signs of stress and/or the development of behavioural stereotypies.	<p>Protocols for daily visual assessments of greyhounds is already required as part of the EHMP. This component is referring to the type of actions used to manage a greyhound showing signs of stress. These management actions must be outlined in the EHMP, for example in a list, where the person in charge can then select the most appropriate action for the individual greyhound.</p>	✓
Determining the suitability of breeding greyhounds to continue breeding within the establishment (as appropriate)	<p>Where establishments undertake breeding practices, general protocols to determine whether a breeding greyhound is suitable to continue breeding. This will include a veterinary assessment.</p>	✓

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Whelping greyhounds (as appropriate)	Where establishments undertake breeding practices, general protocols to monitor whelping greyhounds and maintain their welfare and the welfare of all puppies.	✓
Emergency management plans for both humans and greyhounds including display of evacuation procedures for the establishment.	<p>General protocols outlining how the establishment will respond to emergencies, including emergency evacuation procedures for all persons and greyhounds at the establishment.</p> <p>This will need to consider display of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • emergency contact information, and • evacuation procedures. 	X