



Qualifying Trials Policy

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Qualifying Trials Policy outlines the conditions under which Qualifying Trials may be run as well as the treatment of the finances relating to same.

2. Commencement of Policy

- 2.1 This policy will commence on 1 November, 2008. It shall continue thereafter until otherwise amended, repealed or replaced by GRNSW.

3. Definitions

- 3.1 For the purpose of this policy the following definitions will apply:
- 3.1.1 **“Qualifying Trial”** means any trial or race, run outside a GRNSW approved race meeting, run for the purpose of greyhounds qualifying for a start in a race at a GRNSW approved race meeting.
- 3.1.2 **“Nomination Fee”** means any amount of money which has been paid to participate in a qualifying trial, or which has been paid to cover the expense of staging a qualifying trial, irrespective of that fee being termed differently by a race club.

4. Approval Conditions

- 4.1 Qualifying Trials will be permitted to be run only under the following conditions:
- 4.1.1 A club must apply to GRNSW to run qualifying trials by completing an ‘Application to Conduct Qualifying Trials’ form.
- 4.1.2 A club may not conduct qualifying trials on the date referred to in the ‘Application to Conduct Qualifying Trials’ without obtaining written approval from GRNSW.
- 4.1.3 A club may not conduct qualifying trials on more than 12 dates each financial year.

5. Financial Conditions

- 5.1 The following financial conditions will be imposed on the conduct of Qualifying Trials:
- 5.1.1 A club can, at its discretion, decide the value of a nomination fee for qualifying trials.

- 5.1.2 A club shall keep a detailed record of the name of each greyhound that participates in a qualifying trial and the fee paid by each greyhound to participate.
- 5.1.3 A club shall forward to GRNSW a summary of the number of greyhounds to participate on an approved qualifying trial date, and the total income received by the club by way of nomination fees.
- 5.1.4 A club shall keep a detailed record of the cost of casual and part-time labour employed to run the qualifying trials session (note, this does not include full-time staff), plus the cost of stewards and vets as applicable.
- 5.1.5 A club shall forward to GRNSW a summary of the wages paid to casual and part-time staff employed to run the qualifying trials session.

6. Distribution Prizemoney

- 6.1 For the purpose of calculating Distribution Prizemoney for events at race meetings which have been drawn from qualifying trials, the following shall apply:
 - 6.1.1 A club shall be entitled to retain that portion of the nomination fees collected which offsets the costs calculated in clause 5.1.4 above.
 - 6.1.2 The balance of nomination fees collected after the deduction made in 6.1.1 above must be paid as prizemoney in the event to which the qualifying trials relate at the specified race meeting. This amount can not be considered as Distribution Prizemoney.

Examples:

| | Graded Race | Maiden Race |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | (Paying Minimum P'money) | (Paying Enhanced P'money) |
| Nomination Fees Collected | \$500 | \$500 |
| Costs Incurred (as per 5.1.4)* | \$270 | \$270 |
| Balance of Nom Fees | \$230 | \$230 |
| Total Race Prizemoney | \$1,140 | \$1,105 |
| Deduct Balance of Nom Fees | -\$230 | -\$230 |
| Distribution Prizemoney Paid | \$910 | \$875 |

*Only casual and part-time labour costs are applicable.

In the graded race example above, the club has elected to pay the standard minimum per race prizemoney of \$1,140. Accordingly, after deducting the balance of the nomination fees received (ie after retaining \$270 to cover costs), the Distribution Prizemoney paid is \$910.

In the maiden race example above, the club has elected to pay prizemoney above the standard minimum. Accordingly, after deducting the balance of the nomination fees received (ie after retaining \$270 to cover costs), the final Distribution Prizemoney paid is equal to the standard maiden race minimum prizemoney of \$875.

7. Multiple Events

- 7.1** If a club elects to run a qualifying trials session from which more than one event is drawn (ie maidens and fifth grades) the balance of the nomination fees referred to in clause 6.1.2 above (which must be paid as prizemoney) should be split equally amongst the events for the purpose of calculating Distribution Prizemoney on those events.