

Communique - Greyhound Racing Transition Working Group

This communique highlights the key discussions and considerations from the Greyhound Racing Transition Working Group meeting held on 29 October 2025:

Summary of matters discussed:

1. Draft Bill

The draft Bill, as drafted by the Department of Natural Environment and Resources Tasmania (NRE Tas), was presented to the working group. It was noted that the Tasmanian Racing Integrity Commissioner has been consulted on the draft Bill by NRE Tas.

The Tasmanian Racing Integrity Commissioner will be writing to the three greyhound racing clubs and the advisor to Greyhounds Tasmania, inviting them to a briefing of the draft Bill by NRE Tas, prior to it being tabled in Parliament.

2. Traceability and Local Rules of Racing

Tasracing provided an update on its audit, and further work to be undertaken, in order to ensure records kept on OzChase are accurate.

It is proposed that a Local Rule will be introduced by Tasracing to ensure that once records are confirmed, that these are continually updated to maintain accurate records.

The working group discussed the importance of the reduction of racing greyhounds in Tasmania in the lead up to the phase out, to ensure adequate rehoming options.

3. Modelling for greyhound racing during transition

Modelling for greyhound racing during the transition period was discussed by the working group. Tasracing has conducted initially modelling, with potential options of the reduction in the number of race meetings, or the reduction in number of races and starters. Tasracing will provide the working group with modelling for both options.

The financial impact to owners and trainers in any reduction of racing was noted.

There will be no changes to this racing season, which is confirmed through to June 2026. The 2026-27 racing calendar will be looked at in March 2026.

4. Risks

Identified risks were discussed in detail, together with proposed actions to address the various risk areas. This will continue to be reviewed and assessed throughout the transition period.

The next meeting of the working group will be held on 3 December 2025.

Any enquiries can be directed to the office of the Tasmanian Racing Integrity Commissioner by email to GreyhoundTransition@racingintegrity.tas.gov.au.



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