# GUIDELINE: GREYHOUND DRESS CODE



## Purpose

Racing Queensland (**RQ**) is committed to enhancing and promoting the image of Greyhound racing in Queensland. The purpose of this Dress Code is to outline the minimum standards that registered persons are required to follow when participating at all Queensland Greyhound race meetings.

### 2. Scope

The Dress Code applies to licensed greyhound Trainers, Attendants and Catchers when:

- Kennelling a greyhound;
- Handling or parading a greyhound;
- Catching a greyhound; or
- When present in restricted areas such as kennels, parade areas etc.

#### 3. Guidelines

Examples of **acceptable** items of dress (including picture samples), and **unacceptable** items of dress, are detailed in the following pages.

Queensland Greyhound Racing Clubs may ask participants to wear special feature race day attire on specified days or race meetings, i.e., black suit vests, bow tie etc.

RQ may approve race day attire for special purposes which falls outside the standards outlined in the Dress Code.

## 4. Roles & Responsibilities

When attending a race meeting in Queensland it is the participant's responsibility to ensure they comply with the Dress Code.

#### **Non-Compliance**

Failure to comply with this Dress Code will be considered an offence under GAR 156(w) and, where the Stewards are of the opinion that a person has failed to comply, the Stewards may direct that:

- Any offending item be removed; or
- Any offending item be covered.

Trainers, Attendants and Catchers may not be permitted to handle greyhounds for an event at a race meeting if the Stewards are of the opinion that the minimum dress standards are not met.

## 5. Version History

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1.0	25/11/2022	EGM Operations	New Guideline		
2.0	14/10/2024	Chief Executive Officer	Updated template/format/wording; changes to acceptable items of clothing.		
2.1	29/11/2024	Chief Executive Officer	Changes to acceptable and unacceptable items of clothing section (Top Half).		





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#### **EXAMPLES OF ACCEPTABLE ITEMS OF DRESS**

(not an exhaustive or complete list, examples only)

#### **TRAINERS & ATTENDANTS**

#### **Top Half Clothing:**

- RQ Maroon Polo, unless RQ has granted an exemption (note: White Polo shirts may also be worn up to and including December 31, 2024).
- Black jacket, jumper or vest.

#### Logos/Names

- Greyhound club and trainer/kennel logos and/or names are permitted, subject to RQ's prior approval.
- Logos/names must be in the Logo Area shown in the pictures and within the dimensions of 100mm x 100mm (front) and 200mm x 100mm (back).
- Details/design of proposed logos/names are to be submitted to RQ for prior approval.

#### **Bottom Half Clothing:**

- Black trouser/business pants/jeans with black belt (optional) or black skirt (minimum knee length).
- Black dress shorts are permitted at all race meetings where the first race is before 6pm and at all Rockhampton and Townsville race meetings between September 1 and March 30.

#### **Footwear:**

- Black enclosed shoes, runners, walking shoes, boots, or gumboots.
- Plain black or plain white socks.

#### **Headwear:**

- Optional and must be practical when handling dogs.
- Personal choice and may include beanies, buffs, head scarf, caps, hats or religious headwear such as hijabs or turbans.

#### **Feature Race Days:**

 Queensland Greyhound Racing Clubs may ask participants to wear special feature race day attire on specified days or race meetings, i.e., black suit vests, bow tie etc.











#### **Special Purposes:**

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#### **EXAMPLES OF UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS OF DRESS**

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#### **TRAINERS & ATTENDANTS**

#### **Top Half Clothing:**

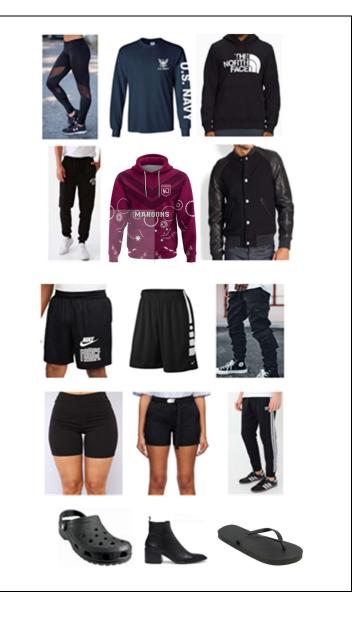
- Only RQ Maroon Polo Shirts are permitted, unless RQ has granted an exemption (note: White Polo shirts are permitted up to and including December 31, 2024).
- No patterns including stripes, dots, checks, or contrast colours.
- No sports team jerseys (Maroons, Broncos, Lions etc.).
- No branding or logos larger than 100mm x 100mm (front), or 200mm x 100m (back).
- Sponsors are not permitted.

#### **Bottom Half Clothing:**

- No running/athletic shorts.
- No yoga or fitness pants.
- No board shorts.
- No mini skirts.
- No tracksuit pants.
- No tears, holes.

#### Footwear:

- No open toed shoes.
- No thongs.
- No sandals.
- No high heels.



#### **CATCHERS**

- Catchers must present themselves in a neat and professional manner.
- Dress shorts are permitted at all race meetings where the first race is before 6pm and at all Rockhampton and Townsville race meetings between September 1 and March 30.
- The following are not permitted: Running/athletic shorts, board shorts, tracksuit pants, singlets, high heels, thongs or sandals.



