

GREYHOUND WELFARE & INTEGRITY COMMISSION
DISCIPLINARY ACTION DECISION

Date of decision: 8 September 2021

Decision-maker: Director Compliance & Legal Services, Matthew Tutt, Chief Inspector David OShannessy, Director Race Day Operations (Chief Steward), Wade Birch

Name of relevant person: Mr Nathan Weir

Track: N/A

Date: 26 July 2021

Rule no.: Rule 95(8)(a)(i)

Charge(s): (1) Mr Weir was convicted by and sentenced in the Wagga Wagga Local Court on 26 July 2021 for offences such that his continued participation or association with the greyhound racing industry would be detrimental to its proper control and regulation

Disciplinary action taken: Disqualification until 25 July 2022

DECISION:

1. Mr Nathan Weir was, at all material times, a registered owner.
2. On 26 July 2021, Mr Weir was sentenced in the Wagga Wagga Local Court and he was convicted of offences relating to the possession of ketamine and MDMA and deemed supply of cocaine.
3. The Commission charged Mr Weir under Rule 95(8)(a)(i), which reads:
 - (8) The Controlling Body may impose on a person anyone or more of the penalties referred to in sub-rule (1) if –
 - (a) the person has been convicted of an offence by any court and the Controlling Body is satisfied that:
 - (i) the nature of the offence is such that the person’s continued participation or association with the greyhound racing would be detrimental to the proper control and regulation of greyhound racing.
4. Mr Weir was notified of the charge in writing and provided a reasonable opportunity to reply. Mr Weir made no submissions.

5. The Commission found the charge proven and took the following disciplinary action against Mr Weir:

To disqualify Mr Weir until 25 July 2022.

6. In taking this disciplinary action, the Commission considered all evidence, including:
 - The objective seriousness of the offences; and
 - Greyhound racing penalty precedents in NSW.

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