



GREYHOUND WELFARE & INTEGRITY COMMISSION
DISCIPLINARY ACTION DECISION

Date of decision: 27 March 2025

Decision-makers: Senior Steward Zane Turner and Manager, Racing Integrity, Chris Psillis

Name of relevant person: Jacob White

Rule no.: LR166A

Charge(s): Charges 1-9 - LR166A

That Mr. White, as a registered Owner Trainer, engaged in conduct of lay betting against greyhounds that he trained.

Plea: Guilty

Disciplinary action taken: To issue a fine of \$1000, of which \$500 is wholly and conditionally suspended for 12 months subject to Mr. White not breaching this rule, or any similar rule, during this period.

In addition to the above-mentioned fine Mr. White was also issued a four-week suspension, which is wholly and conditionally suspended for 12 months subject to Mr. White not breaching this rule, or any similar rule, during this period.

INVESTIGATION:

1. Mr. White was, at all relevant times, a registered Owner Trainer with the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission (“**Commission**”).
2. Analysis of betting records indicated that between 30 October 2023 and 22 August 2024, Mr. White engaged in lay betting against greyhounds that he trained.
3. On 17 October 2024 Mr. White was issued a Notice of Stewards Inquiry, directing Mr. White to attend a hearing scheduled for 29 October 2024.
4. Subsequent to the Notice of Stewards Inquiry being issued, Mr. White contacted decision makers and requested for the hearing to be rescheduled to 31 October 2024.
5. At the inquiry held on 31 October 2024 Mr. White provided verbal submissions.

DECISION:

6. On 18 March 2025 Mr. White was issued with a notice of charge and proposed disciplinary action (“**Notice**”). The Notice issued nine charges against him for breach of the following Greyhound Racing Rule:

Charge 1–9 Local Rule 166A Rules

(1) A person, being a trainer, will be guilty of an offence if the person:

(a) places a bet on a greyhound, other than a greyhound trained by that person, in a race in which they have a starter;

(b) places any type of bet on a greyhound, other than a greyhound trained by that person, in a race to finish ahead of a greyhound they train in the race.

7. The Notice invited Mr. White to enter a plea and make written submissions in relation to the charges and proposed penalty by 4pm Tuesday 25 March 2025. The penalty proposed in the Notice was a four-week suspension.

8. On Tuesday 25 March 2025, Mr. White contacted decisions makers and;

- Entered a plea of guilty; and
- Made written submissions.

9. After considering Mr. White’s plea and written submissions, the decision makers found the charges proven and took the following disciplinary action against him:

Charges 1–9

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10. In taking this disciplinary action, the decision makers considered all evidence, including:

- Mr. White’s Guilty plea;
- Mr. White’s registration history, with no prior offences for any similar matters;
- The overall performance of Mr. White’s greyhounds in relation to the above bets, which did not identify any integrity concerns;
- Mr. Whites written submissions; and
- Mr. Whites personal and professional circumstances

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