

**GREYHOUND WELFARE & INTEGRITY COMMISSION
DISCIPLINARY ACTION DECISION**

Date of decision:	8 June 2023
Decision-makers:	Chief Operating Officer Wade Birch and Chief Steward Troy Vassallo
Name of relevant person	Mr. Daniel Gatt
Date:	Various dates across 2022
Rule no.:	Rule 86(o) and Rule 156(f)(ii)
Charges:	Charge One (Rule 86(o) and Charge 2 (Rule 156(f)(ii) Mr. Daniel Gatt as a registered public trainer did a thing which, in the opinion of the Controlling Body, was improper or constituted misconduct
Plea:	Not guilty
Disciplinary action taken:	To find Mr. Gatt not guilty of the charges

DECISION:

1. On 2 August 2022 the Commission received several communications between industry participants that raised concern as to the propriety of several greyhound races conducted in New South Wales.
2. Based on this information, an investigation was commenced into the relevant races, which included a full betting analysis of each of the races. On 3 November 2022 Mr. Gatt was interviewed by representatives of the Controlling Body in respect of this investigation.
3. On 1 June 2023 the Commission issued a Notice of Charge and Proposed Disciplinary Action, charging Mr. Gatt with two breaches of the following Greyhound Racing Rules.

Greyhound Racing Rules in effect until 30 April 2022

Rule 86

A person (including an official) shall be guilty of an offence if the person-

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(o) has, in relation to a greyhound or greyhound racing, done a thing, or omitted to do a thing, which, in the opinion of the Stewards or the Controlling Body, as the case may be, is negligent, dishonest, corrupt, fraudulent or improper, or constitutes misconduct;

Greyhound Racing Rules in effect from 1 May 2022

Rule 156

An offence is committed if a person (including an official):

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(f) has, in relation to a greyhound or greyhound racing, done something, or omitted to do something, which, in the opinion of the Controlling Body or the Stewards:

...

(ii) constitutes misconduct or is negligent or improper;

4. On 8 June 2023 Mr. Gatt attended a hearing alongside his representative and entered a plea of not guilty to each charge. Mr. Gatt made verbal submissions and provided written statements for the consideration of the decision makers.
5. Following review and consideration of all of the evidence, including the verbal and written submissions made by Mr. Gatt, the decision makers were not comfortably satisfied that Mr. Gatt was guilty of the conduct alleged against him and accordingly found him not guilty of both charges.

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