

ARCI-017-025 Grading

- ~~(1) The Commission shall approve a grading system to be utilized during the race meeting. When designating the grades of races, letters such as "A," "B," "C," "D," "E," "S," "T" and "M" or some combination thereof will be used. Grade A shall be the highest classification. Grade S indicates special and stakes races. A grade such as T or ST shall indicate a mixed grade race. Grade M refers to maiden classification which indicates greyhounds that have not won an official race. The association's condition book, submitted to and approved by the commission, will describe all aspects of the racing operations utilized during the meet. The following inclusions should appear in the Condition Book:~~
- ~~(a) Registration requirements;~~
 - ~~(b) Ownership provisions;~~
 - ~~(c) Transfers~~
 - ~~(d) Licenses required~~
 - ~~(e) Qualification guidelines~~
 - ~~(f) Grading system to be utilized~~
 - ~~(g) Race draw procedure~~
 - ~~(h) Schooling provisions and rules~~
 - ~~(i) Weigh-In~~
 - ~~(j) Adoption~~
 - ~~(k) Greyhound Disposition/Return of Registration Papers~~
 - ~~(l) Commission Requirements for Trainers/Assistant Trainers~~
 - ~~(m) Visitor Badges~~
 - ~~(n) Purse System to be Utilized~~
- ~~(1)(2) The racing secretary may reclassify a greyhound at any time within its first three starts, but not more than one grade higher or lower. Greyhounds transferring from one track to another or remaining at the same track for a new race meeting shall continue in the same grade unless schooled and reclassified, but shall not be moved more than one grade higher or lower from the original grade as a result of schooling and reclassification.~~
- ~~(2)(3) The winner of any graded race shall advance one grade until reaching Grade A the highest level.~~
- ~~(3) The winner of a maiden race shall be advanced for its next race no higher than Grade D.~~
- ~~(4) Greyhounds which finish farther back than third, three consecutive times while in the same grade, shall be lowered one grade.~~
- ~~(5) In Grade D, if the option of Grade E is not applicable, should a greyhound fail to finish first, second, third or fourth in four consecutive starts, then such greyhound shall be taken off for a period of 30 days. At the end of the take off period, the greyhound must be schooled at least two times if it is to be entered in a Grade D race again. If the greyhound re-qualifies, it may be placed back in Grade D. If the greyhound then fails for a second time to finish first, second, third or fourth in four consecutive starts, it shall be dropped from further racing at that race meeting. When Grade E is applicable, this rule does not apply. In~~

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~~these cases, if a Grade D greyhound fails to finish first, second, third or fourth in four consecutive starts, it will be lowered to Grade E.~~

~~(6) A greyhound that has advanced from Grade M and has been dropped from further racing without winning another official race may be re-qualified after a period of 30 days. Upon re-qualification, the greyhound shall be placed in Grade E by the racing secretary.~~

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