



## **Rásaíocht Con Éireann (RCÉ)/ Greyhound Racing Ireland**

Greenpark, Dock Road,  
Limerick, V94 Y17X.

### **Greyhound Care ---RCÉ Injuries at Tracks Recovery Scheme**

Rásaíocht Con Éireann is to provide funding for the treatment of greyhounds which have been injured while racing at RCÉ Licensed stadia through the introduction of a new scheme called "The Injuries at Tracks Recovery Scheme" ('the Scheme'). This scheme will be open to all owners and trainers who have incurred veterinary costs in the treatment of greyhounds to repair a \*career ending orthopaedic (bone) injury which was sustained while racing at a RCÉ licensed stadium.

An application to The Injuries at Track Recovery Scheme ('the Scheme') shall be made in the knowledge that the greyhound will be immediately retired from competitive action (trials and races) following its treatment and every effort must be made to find this greyhound a suitable home. This greyhound shall not be used for breeding purposes. Any greyhound that has been treated through 'the Scheme' shall not be sold or given away for other purposes including breeding and racing.

A fully paid invoice from the veterinary practice that completed the treatment of the greyhound and the completed application form together with a veterinary certificate of treatment issued by the 'track vet' at the time the injury occurred, shall be submitted when applying to RCÉ for funding under this scheme. RCÉ may require additional evidence regarding the retirement details of the greyhound prior to settling any application for funding.

Assistance funding will be set at 50% of the veterinary cost, up to a maximum of €500 for hock or long bone injuries, per greyhound.

The scheme is being put in place to minimise the euthanasia of greyhounds injured at race tracks and to enable treated greyhounds to enjoy an active life in retirement within a family setting.

RCÉ is committed to encouraging responsible greyhound ownership and spreading the message amongst industry patrons that all racing greyhounds shall be treated with care and that after racing each enjoys a happy retirement.

*'a career-ending injury is not necessarily life-ending' and a long & happy retirement is everyone's goal' .*

\*Career ending bone injuries may include fractured hocks, fractured long bones, multiple fractures of the metacarpals/metatarsals.

**Note that all claims from the RCÉ Track Injury Recovery Scheme will be individually assessed and reviewed in detail. RCÉ reserves the right to withhold payment if it has reason to believe the claim to be fraudulent.**



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**INJURY AT TRACKS RECOVERY SCHEME --- ASSISTANCE FUNDING**

Please read the instructions on the attached notice then complete this form.

**Injury Details**

Greyhound's Name .....

Greyhound's Microchip Number.....

Greyhound's Ear Markings.....

Trainer's/Owner's Name.....

Racetrack Where Injury Occurred.....

Date of injury occurrence .....

Details of Injury.....

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**\*Accompanying certificate from the 'Track Vet' indicating proof of treatment at time of occurrence of injury :    Yes No**

**If Yes, Certificate Number.....**

**Applicant's Details**

Name of Applicant.....

Address.....

..... Postcode.....

Telephone no: (mobile) .....

(home) .....

Email address.....

**Treatment Details**

Veterinary Practice Used: .....

Veterinary Practice Address: .....

..... Postcode.....

Veterinary Practice Contact Number.....

Total Cost of Treatment (excluding VAT): €: .....

Signed \*\*: ..... Date.....

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**RETURN FORM TO:**

RCÉ Racing Greyhound Injury Recovery Scheme,  
RCÉ Welfare Department, Greenpark, Dock Road, Limerick, V94 Y17X  
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**Please remember to send a copy of the 'paid' invoice with this form.**

**Please allow approximately 20 working days for receipt of your grant.**

\* Injured greyhound must be treated by the 'duty track vet' at the time the injury occurred and prior to the greyhound leaving the track/stadium.

*\*\*By signing this application form, the signee agrees to the greyhound being fully retired from racing & trialling. In addition, the signee agrees that every effort will be made to home the greyhound responsibly and in accordance with RCÉ's Code of Practice. The signee agrees not to sell or give away this greyhound to take part in any form of racing, trialling, for breeding or to be exported abroad for any other purpose.*