

### **ARCI-017-035 Withdrawals and Scratches**

- (1) The withdrawal of a greyhound is irrevocable and shall only be made by its trainer.
- (2) A withdrawal shall be made to the racing secretary or his/her assistant at least one-half hour before the time designated for the drawing of post positions, or at such time as the racing secretary may appoint.
- (3) To scratch a greyhound entered in a race, sufficient cause must be given to satisfy the judges. All scratches and the cause must be reported immediately to the board of judge(s).
- (4) ~~Unless otherwise approved by the judges, any time a greyhound is scratched, it must perform satisfactorily, in~~ Greyhounds that have been scratched from an official start may be required by the association or the judges to satisfactorily complete an official schooling race prior to being re-entered for an official race.
- (5) If three or more greyhounds are withdrawn or scratched in any one race, the judges may cancel the race.
- (6) The judges may scratch a greyhound entered in a race for not being present for weigh-in at the appointed time or for other sufficient cause(s).
- (7) The judges may impose a penalty on the person responsible for causing the scratch if it could have been prevented by exercising reasonable care.

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