

GRNZ Greyhound Euthanasia Policy Version 2 FAQs

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1. Who does this Policy apply to?

The Policy applies to all Licensed Persons (LPs) and all greyhounds which are registered with GRNZ and domiciled in New Zealand i.e. they live in New Zealand, with a person who is an LP in New Zealand.

- 2. What changes are being made to the Euthanasia Policy?
 - New Immediate Euthanasia provision: a serious dog bite injury to a person has occurred i.e. medical examination of the bites and treatment is required for severe injuries as detailed in the Policy. A single puncture wound will not meet the threshold for euthanasia and the greyhound will require a behavioural assessment.
 - New Notice of Intent to Euthanise (3 business days) provision: a serious dog-dog attack has occurred which makes the greyhound unsuitable for rehoming. The greyhound may be required to be behaviourally assessed by Great Mates staff or a canine behaviourist.
 - 'Red-dog' decision tree added for clarity on how decisions are made under 3.1 Notice of Intent to Euthanise a Greyhound for 'Red-dogs'.