

THE IRISH GREYHOUND BOARD & THE IRISH COURSING CLUB

CONTROL STEWARD GALWAY

Bord na gCon also known as the Irish Greyhound Board (IGB) have responsibility for the promotion, regulation and ongoing development of the Greyhound industry in Ireland. The Irish Coursing Club promotes and regulates coursing on the island of Ireland and are also keepers of the National Stud Book for greyhound identification and registration purposes.

Applications are now sought from for a full-time position based at Galway Greyhound Stadium, College Road, Galway as Control Steward. The position is an important role in terms of overseeing, supervising and delivering the integrity of the greyhound industry in relation to; official race meetings, official trial sessions at licensed stadia, greyhound breeding and registration, and officiating at coursing events. The position reports to the Head of Regulation at IGB, and for the ICC element to the CEO of the ICC. Following this selection process a panel may be formed from which future similar vacancies may be filled.

Key areas of the IGB role responsibility include:

- Monitoring, overseeing and giving direction to racing officials and other stewards in the exercise of their duties as assigned to them by the Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations, and maintaining integrity, such that each meeting is run in a well regulated and punctual manner.
- Overseeing supervising and implementing IGB racing regulations at licensed stadia.
- Ensuring the welfare of greyhounds when presented for races and trials at licensed stadia. Applicants should be keenly aware of the standards required for safe track conditions before and during race and trial sessions
- The compilation and reporting of a detailed record on all race and official trial sessions
- The holding and reporting of Stewards Inquiries on regulatory matters in conjunction with other stewards of the meeting.
- Professionally dealing with owners and trainers
- The weighing and identification of greyhounds for official race and trial meetings.
- Attendance at hearings of the Independent Control Committee when required
- Procuring urine samples from greyhounds as stipulated for the purpose of prohibited substance detection.
- Assisting which the Chipping of greyhounds for identification purposes
- Participation in testing teams as required at licensed stadia
- All and any other duties as listed in the Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007 - 2017
- Flexibility in carrying out other role related duties and cover for colleagues as required from time to time

The ICC element of the role includes:

- Officiating at coursing events as required by the ICC
- Tattooing and chipping of greyhound pups, sample taking for DNA purposes, bitch inspections, welfare inspections & Recognised Kennel Authorisation inspections.
- Attendance at coursing meetings and pre-coursing inspections and completion of associated reports.
- Testing of greyhounds at coursing meetings.

- Attendance at ICC inquiries.
- Where required, marking and taking registration applications for greyhound pups for the ICC

Education and Preferred Behaviours and Competencies

- Ideally educated to Degree level 7/8 or equivalent in a relevant discipline or profession
- Relevant knowledge and experience of rules of racing and/or legal regulation procedures
- Experience of the application and implementation of statutory standards, codes, procedures and requirements
- Strong and resolute decision-making skills
- Ability to build and maintain a professional relationship with owners and trainers
- Excellent interpersonal, people and conflict management skills.
- Ability to work flexibly as part of a small team in an industry environment which is undergoing rapid change
- Be computer literate to include the Microsoft Office suite, along with email proficiency

Applications to include an update Curriculum Vitae should preferably be emailed to the Human Resources Department of IGB at the email address: hr@igb.ie or by post to the HR Department, Irish Greyhound Board, Greenpark, Dock Road Limerick on or before Friday 24th May 2019.

Candidates should note that canvassing may disqualify them and result in their exclusion from the appointment process

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