



Welcome to your first Whippet Racing Club of Victoria race meet!

Once you have signed in you will have time to meet the other whippies (and people!). Once everyone is signed-in we will hold a briefing to explain how we run the event.

Your dog's first runs on the track are called trials. To trial your dog it does not need to be weighed in, but it must wear silks and a muzzle (these are available to loan from the club).

Racing starts at 1:00pm. The ORDER of the day is as follows:

- Race Briefing
- 152m Sprint races and qualifying
- **152m TRIALS (for newcomers and dogs not competing in races)**
- Ribbon Presentation for 152m Sprint Race
- Raffle – **Make sure you buy some tickets for your chance to win a great prize**
- 72m Sprint races and qualifying
- 512m Distance races and qualifying
- **512m TRIALS (for newcomers and dogs not competing in races)**
- Ribbon Presentation for 72m and 512m
- Finish

For your safety and the safety of your dogs

Make sure you have a secure collar and lead for your dog at all times. No extending leads please.

Dogs under 9 months old are not allowed to run on the track. If your dog is between 9 and 11 months, senior or overweight, please discuss the suitability of the 512m distance with a committee member. The health of your dog(s) is our first priority and dogs must be in suitable condition to complete the 512m distance.

Only one handler per dog is permitted into the track area. Before entering the track collect a hi-viz vest from the marshal. It is a Sandown OH&S condition that no one may enter the track without wearing hi-viz. If you have multiple dogs, have someone hold your other dog(s) whilst you are inside the fence.

All dogs must walk to the start area on lead — they must never be carried to or from the start area.

*** Please note that the turf area at the far end of the driveway, just past the finish line, should be avoided as we do not want any dogs toileting on this area. This is Sandown's promotional events area for corporate clients. Feel free to watch from this area, hound-free, or from in front of the grandstands.**

152m SPRINT TRIALS

152m sprint trials are held from the start area at the LEFT of the greyhound kennel building.

Enter the main gates when directed by the marshal, turn left and walk the path to the small gate beside the starting boxes. Wait outside the gate for the starting marshal to instruct you on what to do.

512m DISTANCE TRIALS

Distance trials are held from the start area just behind the main gates.

Enter the gates when directed by the marshal, walk to the area behind the starting boxes and turn left and wait for the starting marshal to instruct you on what to do.

After your trial, collect your dog as soon as possible and exit the track as directed by the marshal.

We do hope you enjoy your day with us and look forward to seeing you again next race meet!