

LICENSING, REGULATION AND ALCOHOL STRATEGY

Bookmaker's Permit

What Does This Permit Allow Me To Do?

You can operate legally as a bookmaker on any racecourse or greyhound track in the Northern Territory, subject to approval by the racing or greyhound club that controls the course.

Are There Any Special Conditions Or Restrictions?

You must agree to comply with all rules and regulations applying to horse and/or greyhound racing in the Northern Territory.

This includes willingness to comply with any conditions imposed by racing club stewards, including meetings you are permitted to bet on and meetings you are permitted to stand.

What Is The Application Process?

Before applying, consider your willingness to undergo a police check and your ability to provide all supporting information required.

Territory Business Centres provide application forms. Completed forms must be accompanied by a permit fee* and supporting information which includes:

- an appropriate guarantee from a bank or other approved financial institution;
- evidence of your financial capacity;
- statements of assets and liabilities;
- details of any previous offences and relevant penalties;
- authority to release criminal history (for police check);
- details of relevant knowledge and experience; and
- two passport photographs.

The annual fee* for a Bookmaker's Permit to stand at both metropolitan (Darwin and Alice Springs) and country race meetings is the same. The annual fee* for a permit to stand only at country meetings is less.

After you have submitted the completed application form, fee* and supporting information, allow up to 14 days for processing.

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1st Floor Belvedere Hse
Cnr Parsons & Bath Sts
GPO Box 8470, Alice Springs NT 0871
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Do I Need Any Special Knowledge, Experience Or Training?

There are no formal training requirements.

Before applying for a Bookmaker's Permit, you may wish to contact relevant racing clubs to check that they will allow you to stand at their meetings.

You should be familiar with relevant provisions of:

- Racing and Betting Act; Australian Rules of Racing.
- Rules of relevant Northern Territory racing and/or greyhound clubs.
- Experience in the betting, racing or greyhound industry will be beneficial.

How Long Is The Permit Valid And What Is The Process For Renewal?

The permit is valid for up to 12 months with an annual expiry date of 30 June. To renew your permit, complete a renewal form and pay the annual fee*.

What If I Have A Comparable Permit From Interstate?

To find out about local recognition arrangements, contact Licensing, Regulation and Alcohol Strategy.

Other Useful Information

- Other relevant Fact Sheets: [Bookmaker's Key Employee's Licence, Probity Checks](#)
- Legislation: [Racing and Betting Act](#)
- Australian Rules of Racing – these can be found at the [Australian Racing Website](#)
- Northern Territory racing and greyhound club contacts:

Alice Springs Turf Club:
Pioneer Park South Stuart Hwy
PO Box 181 Alice Springs NT 0871
Tel: (08) 8952 4977
Fax: (08) 8953 0426

Darwin Greyhound Association of the Northern Territory:
Winnellie Park, Hook Rd, Winnellie NT 0820
PO Box 39645, Winnellie NT 0821
Tel: (08) 8984 3167
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Darwin Turf Club:
Dick Ward Drive, Fannie Bay, Darwin NT 0800
PO Box 589, Darwin NT 0801
Tel: (08) 8923 4222
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Lodgement of Forms

Forms must be lodged at any [Territory Business Centre](#).

Appeals and Objections

If you are unsatisfied with the initial response to any applications described in this Fact Sheet, please contact the Director of Licensing on (08) 8999 1800.

**Please refer to the relevant schedule of fees.*

TERRITORY BUSINESS CENTRES

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