

2026 Origin Greyhound Series

Venue: Ladbrokes Q2 Parklands
Host Club: Queensland Greyhound Racing Club
Date: Thursday June 25, 2026

Race Events: Best of 3 series

The winning state must win at least two of the three races. In the event of a tie the previous winner retains the trophy.

Race 1

- 2026 Origin Sprint 520m
- 4 representatives plus one reserve from each state

Race 2

- 2026 Origin Distance 710m
- 4 representatives plus one reserve from each state

Race 3

- 2026 Origin Match Race 520m
- 1 representative plus one reserve from each state

Prizemoney: \$360,000

2026 Origin Sprint 520m (\$150,000)

1st \$100,000

2nd \$25,000

3rd \$12,500

4th \$6,250

Unplaced \$1,565

2026 Origin Distance 710m (\$150,000)

1st \$100,000

2nd \$25,000

3rd \$12,500

4th \$6,250

Unplaced \$1,565

2026 Origin Match Race 520m (\$60,000)

1st \$50,000

2nd \$10,000

* An Animal Welfare Levy applies to all prize money at the rate of 1% for prize money pools less than \$250k, and 5% for prize money pools above \$250k.

Grading and Box Draw:

The Origin Sprint, Origin Distance, and Origin Match Race will be normal penalty bearing events. The random box draw for each event will be conducted by Racing Queensland on Monday, June 22, 2026.

Scratchings:

Reserves will be allocated as per GAR85 (10). In the event of a QLD scratching, the QLD reserve will replace the scratched runner. In the event of a NSW scratching, the NSW reserve will replace the scratched runner.

Queensland Eligibility:

- A. A greyhound is eligible to be nominated for Queensland if it has been domiciled in Queensland for at least 76 of the 150 days immediately preceding June 25, 2026.
- B. If the greyhound has not been trained for a total of 76 days in its career, it will be deemed to be eligible for Queensland if it has been trained in Queensland for all its race starts.
- C. A greyhound shall be deemed to be domiciled in Queensland commencing on the date on which the change of kennel notification form (or equivalent evidence produced) is received by QRIC.

New South Wales Eligibility

- A. A greyhound is eligible to be nominated for New South Wales if it has been domiciled in New South Wales for at least 76 of the 150 days immediately preceding June 25, 2026.
- B. If the greyhound has not been trained for a total of 76 days in its career, it will be deemed to be eligible for New South Wales if it has been trained in New South Wales for all its race starts.
- C. A greyhound shall be deemed to be domiciled in New South Wales commencing on the date on which the change of kennel notification form (or equivalent evidence produced) is received by GWIC.

Selection Panel

Each state team will be selected by a panel of experts. For QLD the Panel should be chaired by a representative from Racing Queensland. For NSW the Panel should be chaired by a representative from GRNSW.

All performance aspects of a greyhound are able to be assessed, including group performances, grades, race times, race sectionals, etc. in determining the teams.

Squads for both QLD and NSW will be announced on Friday, June 5, 2026.

The final teams will be selected on Friday, June 19, 2026.