

The Greyhound Protection Act will prohibit dog racing nationwide



About the Greyhound Protection Act

The Greyhound Protection (GPA) will outlaw dog racing nationwide. The measure also bars US gamblers from betting on foreign races and blocks the export of American dogs for racing elsewhere.

- The Greyhound Protection Act is endorsed by over 250 animal protection organizations spanning fifteen countries.
- Commercial dog racing is a dying industry, and only two American tracks remain, both in West Virginia.
- Track owner Delaware North is neutral on the GPA and supports free-market legislation that would allow its casinos to operate free of dog racing.



Greyhound racing is cruel and inhumane

Greyhounds deserve the same protections afforded to all other dogs.

- Racing greyhounds endure lives of confinement, spending 20-23 hours a day in small, stacked cages.
- In 2024, 487 greyhound injuries were reported at American dog tracks, including 162 dogs that suffered broken bones and thirteen greyhounds that died.
- Since 2020, breeders in four states have been documented live baiting greyhounds with rabbits, a particularly egregious form of training.

American dollars should not be used to prop up foreign dog tracks

Greyhound tracks overseas are poorly regulated and flood host countries with thousands of unwanted dogs each year.

- Greyhounds are vastly overbred so that the number of dogs needing rescue significantly outpaces the number of homes available. Volunteers work tirelessly to save as many hounds as possible.
- In foreign jurisdictions, thousands of greyhounds are also killed each year as failed racers or unwanted puppies, known in the industry as "wastage."
- Until its closure in July 2024, American greyhounds were raced at a low-end track in Tijuana, Mexico owned by an alleged cartel associate. The Agua Caliente Hipódromo closed after American betting was largely stopped.

Greyhound racing goes against our values

Commercial dog racing is illegal in 44 states and the amount wagered on greyhound racing declines each year.

- Since 2022, legislation prohibiting betting on greyhound races became law in Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Oregon.
- In 2018, Floridians voted to prohibit dog racing by a 69-31% margin, shuttering twelve tracks in America's biggest and most historic dog racing state.
- Massachusetts citizens also voted to outlaw greyhound racing in 2008.
- In West Virginia, over 81% of voters surveyed oppose dog track subsidies, specifically objecting to the \$17 million in casino profits diverted to sponsor live racing operations each year.

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