

NATIONAL STANDARD FOR BLINKER REQUIREMENTS



Effective December 2019

The provisions of Rule 36 apply to the use or removal of blinkers.

R36 Blinkers

- (1) A greyhound competing in an Event shall not wear blinkers unless the owner or trainer has obtained the prior permission of the Stewards following a trial to the satisfaction of Stewards.
- (2) Any blinkers to be worn shall be approved by the Stewards.
- (3) A greyhound authorised to wear blinkers shall not compete in an Event without blinkers unless the Stewards have, following a trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards, authorised the removal.

Specifications: Blinkers must be attached securely to the muzzle to avoid movement or damage in the wind.

Must be made from a light material, preferably wire covered with a sturdy thick <u>black</u> material that has a non-reflective finish so as to not affect the sight of other runners or compromise photo finish equipment.

Edges to be rounded with no pointy or sharp areas that may cause injury to the greyhound or other greyhounds.

The length of the blinker must not extend beyond the nose strap on the muzzle which may otherwise affect the forward vision of the greyhound or have potential to interfere with photo finish equipment.

Blinkers must be of sufficient height so as to fully obscure vision from the side but must not be greater than 7cm in height from the horizontal wire atop the muzzle.

Pictured left is a blinker muzzle from Millers Muzzles who are based in Melbourne and muzzles are shipped Australia wide and internationally. These blinker muzzles meet the requirements for racing and are the standard approved for use.





