

# Fact sheet

## Fencing for a pet greyhound



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If you are considering a greyhound as a pet the yard at your home and suitable fencing play an important role in keeping a Greyhound Adoption Program (GAP) greyhound safe.

Greyhounds are sighthounds and have been bred for thousands of years to chase and their chase instinct can be strong, therefore to keep a greyhound in your yard there are some requirements that must be fulfilled as part of your family's application for a GAP greyhound.

Fencing constructed from inadequate material or to a height lower than 1.5 metres may not keep a greyhound retained and could provide an opportunity for the greyhound to get out.

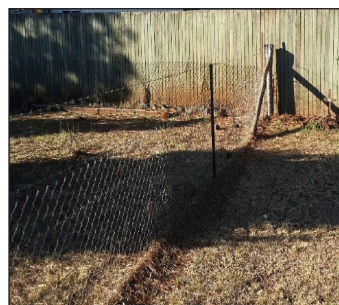
**Suitable fencing material** - timber, colourbond, wire mesh – not exceeding 75mm x 50mm size spacing.



**Unsuitable fencing material** - barbed wire, dog wire, star pickets.



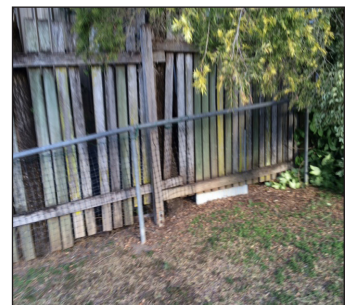
*At 1 metre - too short.*



*Fence too low, barbed wire.*



*Star picklets and wire.*



*Fence not secure.*

### Fencing tips:

An additional fence topper could be added to increase the height of your fence to 1.5 metres. For height comparison, place a council wheelie bin (1 metre high) in front of your fence or gate. Tighten all posts, rails and palings. Remove all loose nails and sharp objects.



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