

THREE COURSE CHAMPIONSHIP & POWERSTOWN CUP
For Dogs and Bitches (excluding pups and track-bred greyhounds)
Conditions 2026/2027 Season

1. CONDITIONS: 2026/2027 SEASON

The preliminary round to be completed at the Templetuohy meeting.

- Qualifier events to be hosted by provincial clubs to generate 16 qualifiers.
- Entrants must not have won more than three courses in any one stake.
- The final 8 qualifiers to compete on the last day of the National Meeting.
- Qualifiers are eligible to compete in All Age events; however, if a greyhound is deemed qualified for the Champion Stakes, it will forfeit its qualifier status in the Three Course Duffer Championship.
- Should the same owner divide a qualifier, the owner must declare which greyhound is to be the event qualifier and thereby advance to the next stage.
- A non-runner will be replaced in the first instance by a qualifier from another meeting, and not by the runner-up. Only revert to the runner-up at the meeting where the qualifier was withdrawn when all qualifier winners are called up.
- In the event of a club running a 24 or 32 entrant qualifier, the runner-up will be logged as first reserve in the reserve list or if more than one such reserve, a separate draw will be held to determine the order of the cohort of reserve.
- Remaining reserves to be filled from a draw of the other runner-up greyhounds (up to a maximum of 4 reserves).
- Previous winners of a Three Course Championship Qualifier are not eligible to compete in this season's Championship qualifiers.
- Dogs and bitches guarded as far as possible in all associated events.
- Rule 88 applies to all Qualifying Events, Preliminary Rounds and the Grand Final.
- The Executive may vary conditions based on the take-up from clubs and any other considerations which may arise.

2. PRIZE MONEY

GRAND FINAL	
Winner	€7,500
Runner-up & beaten semi-finalists	Pro rata
Club providing Grand Final winner	€1,000
QUALIFYING EVENTS	
Winner (8-dog stake)	€750
Runner-up (8-dog stake)	€225
Winner (16-dog stake)	€1,000
Runner-up (16-dog stake)	€300
Entry fee (Qualifying Events & Grand Final)	€50
Prize money funding	The Irish Coursing Club to cover prize money for Qualifying Events and Grand Final (net of entry fees), thanks to a benevolent sponsor.

Expressions of interest are now being sought from clubs who are interested in running a qualifying event (with the proviso that it cannot be run as a replacement for a reserve trial stake). Please email eugene@sportingpress.ie by September 18th.

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