

## The Greyhound Data Form or in short the **GD Form**

The GD Form is a rating for the time of a dog in a race.

We use track to track Comparative-Standard-Time-Tables in the background and this makes it possible to compare times from all tracks in Ireland and UK with ONE GD Form

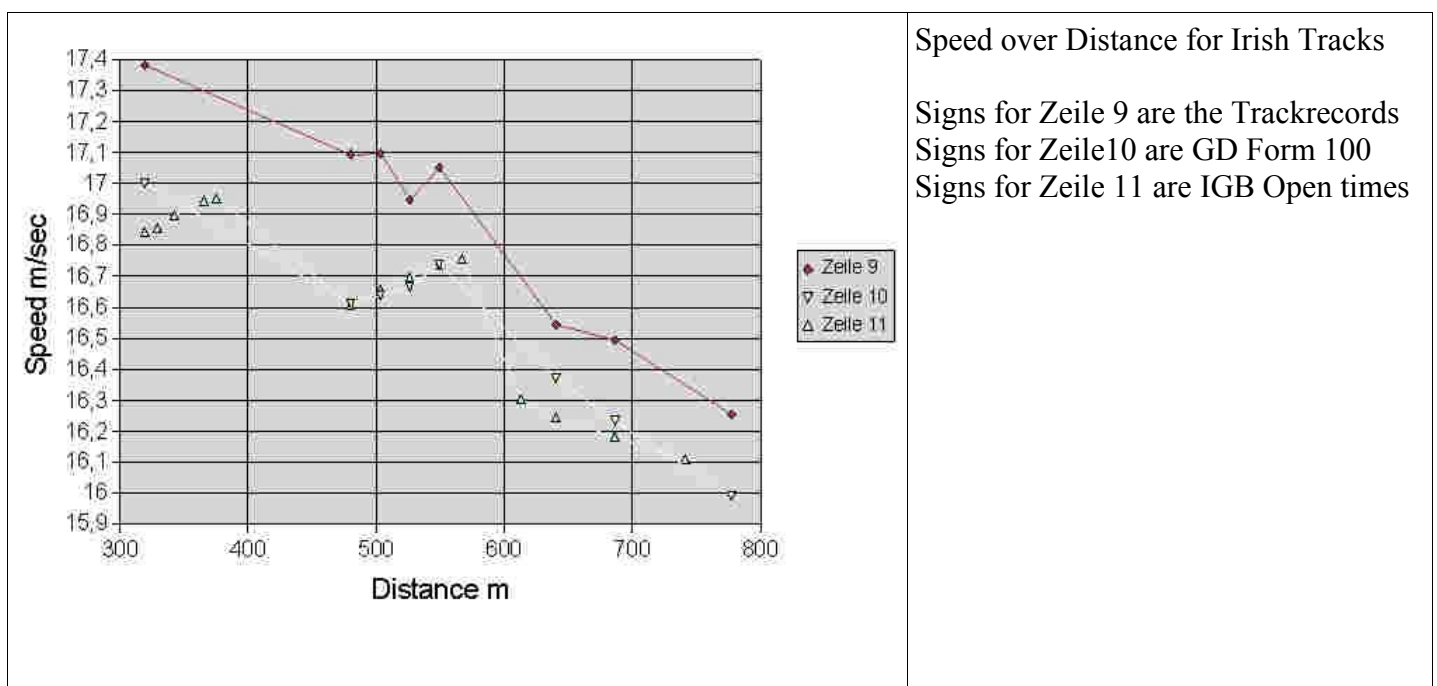
We also use the given going to adjust the times in UK. For IE there is no going officially published, so we use the 'actual times' as recorded from the IGB. The IGB make some time adjustments (but this is not a going) at some Irish Tracks - Cork, Longford and Waterford 30 spots fast and Mullingar 50 slow. In the GD Comparative-Standard-Time-Tables are using similar adjustments.

At first I like to thank Yardstick Bill. Bill Webb has been an immense helpful with his comparative Times Tables in the Bellevue Owner Forum. <http://bellevueowners.proboards21.com/index.cgi?board=records>

Bill uses his "Bill's good open racer" for his 100% and the Shelbourne Park 480m times is 28,65 sec. With every 0,10 sec faster his form gets an additional 10%. A SPK 28,25 ( 0,40 faster) is a form of 140. Although Bill's form calculation is easy to understand we choose a different form.

The main idea for the GD Form was not to create a totally new form, but to be comparable to the Irish Greyhound Board Grading System. <http://www.igb.ie/Trainers-Landing/Grading-Rules/#grade>.

The GD Form 100 is a Shelbourne Park 480m times of 28,90. Which is the mark between Open Racer and A1.



As to see in this drawing IGB Open times and the GD Form 100 are for all distances almost congruent on Irish Tracks.

Or to say it with simple words:

**All dogs with a GD Form 100 or higher are OPEN Class for every distance on Irish Tracks.**

The GD Form and the IGB grading are similar build up.

Example Standard trip 480m:

The Times are exactly the same for the GD Form and the best times for a grade

#### GDForm- IGB Grade and SPK-Times

100	A1 – 28,90	GD Form 1xx are equal to Open Class
90	A2 – 29,10	GD Form 9x are equal to Grade A1
80	A3 – 29,30	GD Form 8x are equal to Grade A2
70-	A4 – 29,50	GD Form 7x are equal to Grade A3
60	A5 – 29,70	GD Form 6x are equal to Grade A4
50	A6 – 29,90	GD Form 5x are equal to Grade A5
40	A7 – 30,10	GD Form 4x are equal to Grade A6
30	A8 – 30,30	GD Form 3x are equal to Grade A7
20	A9 – 30,50	GD Form 2x are equal to Grade A8
10	A10 30,70	GD Form 1x are equal to Grade A9
0x		GD Form 0x are equal to Grade A10

**10 minus decimal number of the GD Form are the IGB grade:**

E.g. a GD Form 77 or 7x => is equal to Grade A3

All GD Forms 100 or higher are OPEN Class

This calculation is also true for all Sprint and Distance gradings, because of the congruence of the GD Form 100 times and Irish Open times for all distances.(see drawing).

With the GD Form you will get an “Irish Grading from SPK” for any performance on UK tracks,because we use track to track Comparative-Standard-Time-Tables in the background and our reference track is Shelbourne Park.

**All dogs with a GD Form 100 or higher are OPEN Class for every distance for all IE and UK tracks.  
10 minus decimal number of the GD Form are the IGB grade from SPK for all IE and UK tracks.**

Simplified calculation for the standard 480m trip in SPK :

0,20 sec faster in time are 10 % more GD Form

or what is the same

a plus of 10% GD Form are 0,20 sec faster

GD 100 = 28,90 in SPK for 480m

E.g. a time 28,70 is equal to GD 110

or a GD 120 is equal to 28,90 -0.40 = 28,50 sec

With **any GD Form** from a middle distance you could calculate what would be the SPK times for 480 m:

GD 100 = 28,90 in SPK and a plus of 10% GD Form are 0,20 sec faster.

A GD Form 132 in Walthamstow would be a 28,26 in SPK 480m

Bill has the same comparative times for Stow and SPK with 28,65. Barfield on Air's Stow TR 28,25 ( Going +10) and a GD Form 132 would be a 28,25 SPK 480 m. This is just our result, too.