



# Coiste Contae Loch Garman

COMPETITION REGULATIONS 2022

## 1. CHAMPIONSHIP

1.1 The Competitions Control Committee shall control the Senior, Intermediate, Intermediate A, Junior, Junior A, U19/U20 championships and the County Junior B Quarter Finals, Semi Finals and Finals. Likewise for all leagues and other competitions.

1.2 The Senior, Intermediate, Intermediate A, Junior and Junior A championships will be run on a league-championship basis as follows:

There will be 12 Teams in each grade split into two Groups of 6 by way of a draw. Each team in a group plays each other.

The Top 4 teams in each group go to the Quarter Finals. In the Quarter Finals, teams are seeded and repeat pairings are not allowed.

The 6th Placed Team in each group play each other in the Relegation Final.

An open draw will take place for the Semi Finals open draw (repeat pairings are allowed).

1.3 The following Regulations shall apply to the League Stage of the Championship:

(a) League results shall be credited as follows: 2 points for a win, and one for a draw.

(b) If a Team is Disqualified or Retires during the course of the League Stage, its played Games shall stand and its unplayed Games shall be awarded to the Opposing Teams.

(c) Except where provided for otherwise in these Rules, when Teams finish with equal points for Qualification for the Concluding Stages, or for Relegation, the tie shall be decided by the following means and in the order specified:

(i) Where two Teams only are involved – the outcome of the meeting of the two Teams in the previous game in the Competition;

(ii) Scoring Difference (subtracting the total Scores Against from total Scores For);

(iii) Highest Total Score For;

(iv) A Play-Off.

(d) In the event that two teams or more finish with equal points, but have been affected by a disqualification, loss of game on a proven objection, retirement or walk over, the tie shall be decided by the following means:

(i) Score Difference from the games in which only the teams involved, (teams tied on points), have played each other (subtracting the total Scores Against from total Scores For);

(ii) Highest Total Score For, in which only the teams involved, have played each other, and have finished equal in (i);

(iii) A Play-Off

(e) A Disqualification shall only affect further participation in the current Championship involved and not the following year's Championship or Qualification for it. In the context of a Disqualification, in any Relegation Process, a Team shall retain the points it has won in the League Stage of the Championship.

- 1.4 Teams will be seeded as follows for the Senior championship draws:
- 1st seeds: County champions and beaten finalists from the previous year.
  - 2nd seeds: Two beaten semi-finalists from the previous year.
  - The remaining teams are not seeded.
- 1.5 Teams will be seeded as follows for the Intermediate, Intermediate A, Junior and Junior A championship draws:
- 1st seeds: Two relegated teams from the previous year.
  - 2nd seeds: The beaten finalists from the previous year plus one of the two beaten semi-finalists from the previous year (determined by drawing lots).
  - The remaining teams and the other beaten semi-finalist from the previous year are not seeded.
- 1.6 The three Round 5 group fixtures in each group will be played on the same date and at the same time where the results matter from each game matter as regards to placings, as determined by the CCC.
- 1.7 If there is a clash of colours for championship games, both clubs must contact each other, agree a change, and inform the Runáí CCC of the revised colours on the Wednesday prior to the game. It is the responsibility of both clubs to ensure that there is not a clash of colours in accordance with Riail 6.44 (e) (ii) T.O. 2021. There will be no tossing of coins to decide jersey colours.

*Penalty for breach of Regulation:* Club concerned fined €200 per breach of regulation.

- 1.8 A fine of €200 will apply for failure to fulfil Championship games with Riail 6.24 T.O. 2021 applied thereafter.

Any club unable to field a team due to COVID will not have fixture rearranged and will have to concede a walkover. No fines will apply to this situation.

- 1.9 In the event of a draw in County Finals, County Relegation Finals or District Finals, extra time will be played followed by a replay if still level. In the event of a draw in the replay, Winner-on-the-Day regulations will apply. If the fixtures calendar does not allow, the CCC may decide, at their discretion, in the event of a draw, Winner-on-the-Day regulations will apply in County Finals, County Relegation Finals or District Finals.

In all other knockout fixtures, in the event of a draw, Winner-on-the-Day regulations will apply.

- 1.10 All County Semi Finals and County Finals, where possible, are to be played in enclosed pitches.



- 1.11 Relegation play-offs in the County Championships are to run concurrently, where possible, with the championship games
- 1.12 County Championship games in Senior, Intermediate, Intermediate A, Junior A and Junior B Hurling and Football may be played mid-week during May, June, July and August and September.
- 1.13 Any grade of championship not affected by inter-county panels can continue once all relevant first and second teams have played. A club's first team must have played 1 round before lower grades commence.
- 1.14 All Adult Championship games be played at least 9 days prior to inter-county games.
- 1.15 All adult inter-county players (hurling and football) are to be made available to their clubs for championship matches nine days prior to club championship games.
- 1.16 Junior B Championships to be organised by District Committees on a League-Championship basis, with the structure and number of games, etc. to be determined by the individual District Committees.

The knockout part of District Junior B championships shall commence no earlier than a date set by the CCC being the weekend of Round 2 of the Senior to Junior A Championships in the relevant code.

Junior B County Quarter Finals are to be held on a date set by the CCC being either the weekend of the Senior to Junior A Championship Quarter Finals or Semi Finals in the relevant code. If a District championship has not been completed, the relevant District Committee must nominate a team to represent their District in the County Quarter Finals.

In the Junior B Hurling and Football County Quarter Finals, District Final winners to play a District Final loser from another district on a rotating basis. An open draw will take place for the semi-finals but teams from the same district can only meet in the County Final.

Junior B Teams are not permitted to enter All County Leagues.

The schedule of fixtures for all rounds of Junior B to be notified to clubs in advance of Round 1 commencing.

- 1.17 Clubs must make their grounds available for Adult Championship games in priority to all other activities. Clubs are asked to inform the CCC at least two weeks in advance (or earlier if possible) of all championship games if their grounds are unavailable due an event already booked in for the venue.

## 2. ALL-COUNTY LEAGUES

- 2.1 All-County Leagues will be ran on the basis of five divisions as follows:

There will be 12 Teams in each division split into two groups of 6 corresponding with the groups for championship. Each team in a group will play every team in the other group.



The top team in each group will contest the League Final.

There will be no promotion or relegation for leagues in 2023.

League results shall be credited as follows: 2 points for a win, and one for a draw.

If a Team is Disqualified or Retires during the course of the League Stage, its played Games shall stand and its unplayed Games shall be awarded to the Opposing Teams.

Except where provided for otherwise in these Rules, when Teams finish with equal points for Qualification for the League Finals, the tie shall be decided by the following means and in the order specified:

- (i) Scoring Difference (subtracting the total Scores Against from total Scores For);
- (ii) Highest Total Score For;
- (iii) Highest Total Goals For;
- (iv) Draw lots.

In the event that two teams or more finish with equal points, but have been affected by a disqualification, loss of game on a proven objection, retirement or walk over, the tie shall be decided by the following means and in the order specified:

- (i) Score Difference from the games with teams that have not been disqualified, lost a game on a proven objection, retired or given a walk over (subtracting the total Scores Against from total Scores For);
- (ii) Highest Total Score For, from the games with teams that have not been disqualified, lost a game on a proven objection, retired or given a walk over;
- (iii) Highest Total Goals For, in which only the teams involved, have played each other and have finished equal in (i) and (ii);
- (iv) Draw lots.

2.2 In the event of a draw in the League Final, Winner-on-the-Day regulations will apply.

2.3 Unlimited Substitutions to be allowed in All County Hurling and Football competitions.

2.4 All League games must be played on the scheduled date or before the Wednesday of the second week after the original date or before the Wednesday of the scheduled date for the League Final.

2.5 All league walkovers result in a fine of €150. Teams will not be excluded from competing following two or more walkovers in the league and fines will apply to each walkover conceded.

Any club unable to field a team due to COVID will not have fixture rearranged and will have to concede a walkover. No fines will apply to this situation.

2.6 If all league games are not completed before the Wednesday of the scheduled date for the League Final, a fine of €150 will be placed on all teams impacted. If the non-completion of games impacts on determining the teams to play the League Final, the CCC may nominate two teams to take part in the League Final.



- 2.7 The Competitions Control Committees shall appoint referees for all championship and league games under their control.

When clubs agree to change a league fixture and the appointed Referee is not available to officiate at the re-fixture, the home club must arrange for a replacement Referee.

Furthermore, where the home club is unable to arrange a replacement Referee then the away team should be afforded the opportunity to organise a replacement with the game to be played at the away team's ground.

When all this is completed, both clubs must email their agreement to the Runáí CCC with the amended dates, times, etc. and the name of the Referee who is now going to take charge of the game.

If neither club is able to arrange a replacement Referee, then the game shall go ahead as originally fixed by the CCC.

**Wednesday** prior to the weekend of the game is the latest date to inform the CCC by email of the agreed change.

- 2.8 If there is a clash of colours for the All-County Leagues, the onus is on the home team to change jerseys. It is the responsibility of the home club to ensure that there is not a clash of colours in accordance with Riall 6.44 (e) (ii) T.O. 2021.

Penalty for breach of Regulation: Club concerned fined €200 per breach of regulation.

## 3. GRADING

### 3.1 Championship Grading

This rule applies to Senior Intermediate, Intermediate A, Junior and Junior A Championships and the knockout stage of the Junior B District and County Championships.

The status of a player will be determined in the first or subsequent rounds by playing in a championship grade in either the league or knockout stages of a championship.

In cases where a club fields three or more teams at championship level in a code, a player may only participate and play at one grade below the level in which he participated the previous year in that code.

For example, a player who plays Senior hurling championship in 2021 and his club field teams at Senior, Intermediate A, Junior & Junior B in 2022 the player is only eligible to play for the Senior or Intermediate A teams in 2022 and is ineligible to play for the Junior and Junior B teams in 2022.

#### **U18 Exception**

*(NB: Deviation from Rule and our Byelaws required from Croke Park for the change to this rule)*



The status of an U18 player (first year out of U17 Grade) will be determined by playing two or more games in a championship grade in either the league or knockout stages of championship.

This exception permits the player to play in only one grade of championship in each code in each seven-day period (Friday morning to the following Thursday night). Coming on as a substitute constitutes playing a game.

For example, if an U18 player plays in the Junior B grade for their club's second team on Friday night, they can play again in the Junior B grade on the following Wednesday night (this may occur if there are back matches to be scheduled). However, this player may not play for his club's first team during this seven-day period.

Additionally, as an example, if an U18 player were to play their club's second team in the first week and play for their first team in the second week, they may play for their second team again in the third week. If they were then to play for their first team in the fourth week, being their second game in the first team's grade, they will be no longer eligible to play for their club's second team.

A player availing of this rule who plays for a club's first team may not play, at any stage, with their club's third team for the remainder of the championship year pursuant to Riail 6.20 T.O. 2021.

A player availing of this rule who plays for a club's second team may not play, at any stage, with their club's fourth team for the remainder of the championship year pursuant to Riail 6.20 T.O. 2021.

Team sheets will be checked, and any breach of rule will result in disciplinary action.

*Penalty:*

On a proven Objection, Award of Game to Opposing team. On an inquiry by the Committee-In-Charge – Forfeiture of Game without Award of Game to Opposing Team, or Fine, depending on the circumstances.

The second team which the 18-year-old fields on is the one to be penalised in the case of the exception.

### 3.2 First '15' Rule

The First '15' Rule applies to grading for the All-County Leagues and for the League Stage of the Junior B District Championships.

A First '15' must be named to include 15 players who played with the Club's first team in any game of the previous championship year (excluding relegation). A player named on the First '15' may not play All-County League or the League Stage of the Junior B District Championship for a Club's second or subsequent teams.

For Clubs with a third team, a Second '15' must be named to include 15 players in the following order of priority:



1. Players who played with the Club's first team in any game of the previous championship year (excluding relegation) that were not included in the First '15'
2. Players who played with the Club's second team in any game of the previous championship year (excluding relegation)

A player named on the Second '15' may not play All-County League or the League Stage of the Junior B District Championship for a Club's third or subsequent teams.

For Clubs with a fourth team, a Third '15' must be named to include 15 players in the following order of priority:

1. Players who played with the Club's second team in any game of the previous championship year (excluding relegation) that were not included in the Second '15'
2. Players who played with the Club's third team in any game of the previous championship year (excluding relegation)

A player named on the Third '15' may not play All-County League or the League Stage of the Junior B District Championship for a Club's fourth or subsequent teams.

If a club has two teams playing in a district Junior B championship, grading rules between the two teams are at the discretion of the District Committee in charge.

A club may make a submission to the CCC for an exception to these rules prior to the commencement of the league and may request a change to their First / Second / Third '15' prior to the second round of the league.

First and subsequent 15's must be submitted to the CCC on a date set by the CCC and then circulated to all clubs prior to the commencement of leagues.

#### *Penalty*

The penalty for not submitting and/or playing an illegal player will be the loss of points with them being awarded to opponents on a proven objection and loss of points with no awarding on an investigation.

## 4. U19 Championship

- 4.1 The U19 championships will be run on a league-championship basis as follows:

There will be 8 Teams in each division split into two Groups of 4 based on seeding and geography. Each team in a group plays each other.

The Top 2 teams in each group go to the Semi Finals. In the Semi Finals, teams are seeded and repeat pairings are not allowed. The highest seeded team will have home advantage.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> placed teams in each group go to the Shield Semi Finals. In the Semi Finals, teams are seeded and repeat pairings are not allowed. The highest seeded team will have home advantage.



Depending on the number of competition entries, the CCC will have discretion to organise a league-based championship to endeavour to guarantee three games to each team that enters.

For 2022, the U19 championships will be organised as follows:

Premier, Division 1, Division 2

- Each Division divided into two Groups of 4 – Group A & B
- Championship SFs: 1<sup>st</sup> Group A v 2<sup>nd</sup> Group B; 1<sup>st</sup> Group B v 2<sup>nd</sup> Group A
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Placed Team has home advantage in SF
  - Championship Final: Neutral Venue
- *Shield SFs: 3<sup>rd</sup> Group A v 4<sup>th</sup> Group B; 3<sup>rd</sup> Group B v 4<sup>th</sup> Group A*
  - *3<sup>rd</sup> Placed Team has home advantage in SF*
  - *Shield Final: Neutral Venue*

Division 3

- One group – each team plays each other
  - Championship Final: 1<sup>st</sup> Placed Team v 2<sup>nd</sup> Placed Team, Neutral Venue
  - *Shield Final: 3<sup>rd</sup> Placed Team v 4<sup>th</sup> Placed Team, Neutral Venue*

4.2 Regulation 1.3 shall apply to the League Stage of the Championship.

4.3 A fine of €200 will apply for failure to fulfil U19 Championship games with Riail 6.24 T.O. 2021 applied thereafter.

Any club unable to field a team due to COVID will not have fixture rearranged and will have to concede a walkover. No fines will apply to this situation.

4.4 In the event of a draw in knockout fixtures, Winner-on-the-Day regulations will apply.

4.5 If there is a clash of colours for U19 championship games, both clubs must contact each other and agree a change. It is the responsibility of both clubs to ensure that there is not a clash of colours in accordance with Riail 6.44 (e) (ii) T.O. 2021.

## 5. OTHER REGULATIONS

5.1 Where possible and available, all underage Finals to be played in Chadwicks Wexford Park.

5.2 All cups for County Championships and Leagues to be returned to the Wexford GAA Office on or before 1st July each year. Clubs are responsible for the cost of any repairs/damages to cups while in their care and should have their club's name engraved on the cup prior to returning it.

An inventory of all cups should be kept in the Wexford GAA Office to include the following information - Year, Competition, Winning Club, Name of Cup, Donated By, Return Date.

A fine of €500 to be imposed on a club if a cup is not returned on time and in the condition in which it was presented.



- 5.3 CLG Loch Garman shall operate a no smoking policy at grounds under its jurisdiction on match days (in the interest of Health and Safety).
- 5.4 Captains of our County Teams shall be selected by the Team Management (not necessarily from the county champions).
- 5.5 All side-line flag posts be flexible or a minimum of 4ft high (safety issue).
- 5.6 Any member of a County sub-committee failing to attend three consecutive meetings without reasonable excuse shall cease to be a member, and his/her place shall be filled by the County Committee.
- 5.7 The name of the club shall be inscribed "as Gaeilge" on all championship medals.
- 5.8 The Leinster and Central Council representatives of Wexford County Committee shall give a report at each County Committee meeting. The Leinster and Central Council representatives of Wexford County Committee shall have a detailed written report of activities of their respective Councils included in the Annual Report at County Convention.
- 5.9 Any decisions made in respect of the All-County Leagues and County Championships are a matter for the County Committee and are to be reviewed on an annual basis.
- 5.10 Scór: Any club competing as County Champions at Leinster or All Ireland level shall receive financial assistance from the County Committee.

Winners of the adult and underage solo singing competitions will be invited to sing the national anthem at a county final and / or a home national league game.

- 5.11 The County Committee shall be furnished with a report from the Leinster Convention and All Ireland Congress.
- 5.12 All notices convening meetings of the County Committee shall be dispatched to the Club Secretary and a text message sent to the County Board delegates seven days prior to the meeting. A special meeting of the County or District Committees can be called on the request of the County Chairperson or the County Secretary or by five members.
- 5.13 The County Treasurer shall lodge all gate receipts taken at a fixture under the control of a District Committee to the credit of the County Committee Account at AIB, North Main Street, Wexford.
- 5.14 The County Coiste na nÓg subcommittee and all recommended work groups of Coiste na nÓg must be ratified by County Committee.
- 5.15 The Coiste na nÓg Annual Meeting is to be held prior to the county committee's Annual Convention.
- 5.16 The enacting of a byelaw needs only a simple majority, but the amendment or deletion of a byelaw requires a three-fifths majority of those present at Convention, entitled to vote and voting.



- 5.17 The enacting, deletion, or amendment of a regulation requires a simple majority of those present at County Committee, entitled to vote and voting.
- 5.18 All team lists are to include the full name of players in Irish and to be signed by the signature of Secretary or Assistant Secretary or the Official-in-Charge in accordance with Riail 1.7 (e) and Riail 6.44 (c) T.O. 2021. Clubs must ensure that players wear the same numbered jersey as per team sheet.
- 5.19 The Score Board Clock in Chadwicks Wexford Park will continue until each half is complete. The same regulation shall apply to any other venue where a score board clock is used.
- 5.20 Friday night is the night designated by the County Committee for the playing of District Junior B Hurling and Football Championship. Friday night is also club night. Inter-County Teams (with the exception of Senior Inter-County) must seek permission from the Management Committee if they wish to train on a Friday night.
- 5.21 Clubs who do not have an Active Referee will be penalised as follows:

2022: Club will lose home advantage for the first game of every team from Under 13 to Adult and pay an additional €200 to the referee training fund.

2023: Club will lose home advantage for the first two games of every team from Under 13 to Adult and pay an additional €500 to the referee training fund.

The list of Active Referees is determined by the Referees' Administration Committee.

## 6. Underage

- 6.1 If there is a clash of colours for U13 – U17 games, both clubs must contact each other, agree a change. It is the responsibility of both clubs to ensure that there is not a clash of colours in accordance with Riail 6.44 (e) (ii) T.O. 2021.

if there is a clash of colours, involving a game with an amalgamated team, the amalgamated team must change.

- 6.2 Change to Fixtures Policy and Protocol on Pitch Availability

If the host team venue is unavailable, they must concede home advantage and make alternative arrangements well in-advance with the away team. In forfeiting home advantage, the home team must still pay the Referee.

Home team must inform the assigned referee to ensure that they can travel to the away team's venue, if not please contact Coiste na nÓg CCC Secretary.

Championship Games cannot be postponed by Managers/Mentors due to weather conditions. In accordance with Riail 1.1 (i) (Rules of Control) T.O. 2021, only the referee has the power to declare the ground or other conditions unsuitable for play after consulting, where feasible, with the Officials in Charge of the fixture.



Postponements in exceptional circumstances maybe agreed to by the CCC, e.g. family bereavement of parents, grandparents, brothers and sisters.

Games can be brought forward with the permission of both Clubs.

The CCC will not entertain any club requests for other sports, holidays etc in relation to postponements, etc. However, if Club wishes to bring forward a fixture to accommodate a need to postpone a game the CCC will grant such requests providing both clubs are in agreement.

It the responsibility of a club mentors to identify and know it's player availability in relation to games.

6.3 In the event of a draw in knockout games, winner-on-the-day regulations will apply. The format of the winner-on-the-day regulations will be set for each age group by Coiste na nÓg CCC.

6.4 All underage walkovers result in a fine of €40.

Any club unable to field a team due to COVID will not have fixture rearranged and will have to concede a walkover. No fines will apply to this situation.

## U13 Hurling & Football

6.5 Unlimited Substitutions will be allowed in U13 Grade competitions in both Hurling and Football.

6.6 In U13 Grade competitions in both Hurling and Football will be played on a 15-a-side basis with the exception of Division 5 where the competitions may be played on a 13 a side basis up to quarter final stages, based on the discretion of the CCC.

6.7 Size 4 Football and Sliotar to be used in all U13 Grade Competitions in both Hurling and Football.

6.8 All matches in all U13 Grade Competitions in both Hurling and Football to comprise of 2 halves of 25 minute each.

6.9 All U13 competitions in both Hurling and Football to be played with pitch size measuring from 13 metre line to the opposite 13 metre line, full width of pitch and small goals.

6.10 In all U13 competitions in both Hurling and Football a 10-minute penalty will apply where a player is shown a yellow or black card. A player may not be replaced/substituted while this 10-minute penalty applies.

6.11 The following Regulation shall apply to the League Stage of the U13 competitions:

(a) League results shall be credited as follows: 2 points for a win, and one for a draw.

(b) If a Team is Disqualified or Retires during the course of the League Stage, its played Games shall stand and its unplayed Games shall be awarded to the Opposing Teams.



- (c) Except where provided for otherwise in these Rules, when Teams finish with equal points, the tie shall be decided by the following means and in the order specified:
- (i) If one of the teams in question has given a walkover in any match, they shall concede position
  - (ii) Where two Teams only are involved – the outcome of the meeting of the two Teams in the previous game in the Competition;
  - (iii) Lowest Total Score Conceded;
  - (iv) Lowest Total Goals Conceded;
  - (v) Draw lots.
- (d) In the event that two teams or more finish with equal points, but have been affected by a disqualification, loss of game on a proven objection, retirement or walk over, all games involving the team(s) giving the walkover(s) shall be excluded when Total Scores and Total Goals are being calculated for (c) (iii) and (iv).

## U15 Hurling & Football

- 6.12 U15 Grade competitions to be graded from 2020 U13 championship competitions.
- 6.13 Size 4 Football and Sliotar to be used in all U15 Grade Competitions in both Hurling and Football.
- 6.14 All matches in all U15 Grade Competitions in both Hurling and Football to comprise of 2 halves of 30 minute each.
- 6.15 All U15 competitions in both Hurling and Football to be played on a full-size pitch.
- 6.16 Unlimited Substitutions will be allowed in U15 Grade competitions in both Hurling and Football.
- 6.17 The U15 Grade Championship in both Hurling and Football to be played using the U13 Format for 2019 with one amendment i.e.: Top 4 teams in Division 1 to qualify for S/F. Teams finishing 5th to 8th in Division 1 and top 4 teams in Division 2 qualify for Division 2 Q/F etc Amendment -Shield in Division 5 only
- 6.18 Regulations 6.11 shall apply to the League Stage of the U15 competitions.

## U17 Hurling & Football

- 6.19 Size 5 Football and Sliotar to be used in all U17 Grade Competitions in both Hurling and Football.
- 6.20 All matches in all U17 Grade Competitions in both Hurling and Football to comprise of 2 halves of 30 minute each.
- 6.21 Teams competing in U17 Grade competitions in both Hurling and Football to be graded from 2020 U15 championship competitions.



- 6.22 Unlimited Substitutions will be allowed in U17 Grade competitions in both Hurling and Football.
- 6.23 The U17 Grade competitions in both Hurling and Football to be played as per Adult Rules (except in respect of substitutions as set out in 6.16).
- 6.24 The U17 Grade Championship in both Hurling and Football to be organised by CCC based on recommendation from Coiste na nÓg.
- 6.25 There will be an U17 Grade League in both Hurling and Football for players not on the intercounty minor hurling and football panels to be devised by CCC.
- 6.26 The following Regulation shall apply to the League Stage of the U17 competitions:
- (a) League results shall be credited as follows: 2 points for a win, and one for a draw.
  - (b) If a Team is Disqualified or Retires during the course of the League Stage, its played Games shall stand and its unplayed Games shall be awarded to the Opposing Teams.
  - (c) Except where provided for otherwise in these Rules, when Teams finish with equal points, the tie shall be decided by the following means and in the order specified:
    - (i) If one of the teams in question has given a walkover in any match, they shall concede position
    - (ii) Where two Teams only are involved – the outcome of the meeting of the two Teams in the previous game in the Competition;
    - (iii) Scoring Difference (subtracting the total Scores Against from total Scores For);
    - (iv) Lowest Total Score Conceded;
    - (v) Lowest Total Goals Conceded;
    - (vi) Draw lots.
  - (d) In the event that two teams or more finish with equal points, but have been affected by a disqualification, loss of game on a proven objection, retirement or walk over, all games involving the team(s) giving the walkover(s) shall be excluded when Total Scores and Total Goals are being calculated for (c) (iii), (iv) and (v).

## 7. Submission Deadline Dates (All 5pm)

Transfer Request Deadline	4 February 2022
Championship/League Entries	10 February 2022
Isolated Player Applications	1 March 2022 (excluding U19/U20)
First 15s	27 February 2022
U19/20 Entries	TBC
U19/U20 Isolated Player Applications	TBC



# Appendix 1

## MATCH DAY REGULATIONS

### Introduction

These Match Day Regulations have been drawn up by the Wexford GAA Management Committee and CCC for the 2022 Club Championships.

Please note additional regulations in relation to these competitions are included in the Championship Regulations.

Wexford GAA is mindful of the GAA Give Respect Get Respect campaign and has drawn up these Regulations for the benefit of all stakeholders – players, referees, team management, officials, media, members and spectators.

### Side-line Official/Match Monitor

A Side-line Official may be appointed by the Committee-in-Charge and it shall be his duty to report any breaches of these Regulations.

The Committee-in-Charge may also appoint a Match Monitor who shall be responsible for any duties assigned. The Side-line Official shall include in their report any relevant observations or breaches reported to him by the Match Monitor. These will then form part of the Referee's Report in accordance with Rule 1.6, Rules of Control, T.O. 2021 Cuid II but any errors or omissions in respect of this shall not invalidate the Report as a whole.

The Committee-in-Charge may also impose penalties for breaches of the Regulations brought to its attention by a Match Monitor where a Side-line Official has not been appointed, members of the Committee-in-Charge or the Management Committee.

Failure to respect the regulations and follow laid down procedures therein may lead to penalties as defined in General Rule & Section 3 of this document being imposed on individuals, teams, County Committees, or Clubs by the Committees-in-Charge.

Penalty for breach of below Regulation(s) included in this document : Club concerned fined €50 per breach of regulation.

### The GAA – Where We All Belong

All players, mentors and team officials are reminded of Riail 1.12. T.O. 2021. Wexford GAA is Anti-Sectarian, Anti-Racist and committed to the principles of inclusion and diversity at all levels. Any conduct by deed, word or gesture of sectarian or racist nature or which is contrary to the principles of inclusion and diversity against a player, official, spectator or anyone else, in the course of activities organized by the Association, shall be deemed to have discredited the association. Where a member of the association has been found to have discredited the association, the minimum penalty is an 8 week suspension.



## 1. Ground/Pitch Regulations

**1.1** Ground Regulations shall apply to all venues considered suitable for club championships. They shall include procedures for entry to each ground, designated areas for substitutes and Team Officials and shall be communicated to Teams in advance.

**1.2** Only a maximum of 30 players (starting 15 and 15 panel-members) shall be allowed entry to the Controlled Zone. The Controlled Zone is defined as the dressing room and pitch-side area. Dressing Rooms will not be available to teams at venues. All substitutes must sit in the designated areas identified and must leave the field of play 3 minutes before the throw-in to go to the appropriate designated areas.

**1.3** A maximum of 10 Team Officials & Club Officials shall be allowed entry to the controlled zone. The COVID Supervisor for each team should be included on the team list. All Team Officials must sit in the designated areas identified and must leave the field of play 3 minutes before the throw-in to go to the appropriate designated areas.

**1.4** A maximum of eight Team Officials shall be allowed within the pitch enclosure during the playing of our games. These should include:

- One Bainisteoir
- Three Selectors
- One Medic
- One Club Official
- Two Maor Camán / Maor Uisce

Note: The Bainisteoir, Medics and Maor Camán / Maor Uisce shall wear designated distinctive bibs.

**1.5** There shall be two designated areas for team personnel and officials:

I. Bainisteoir's zone in which seats for the Bainisteoir, three Selectors, one Medic and one Club Official should be provided (see pitch layout);

II. A seated area for substitutes and all other permitted team officials.

**1.6** For games outside Chadwicks Wexford Park, Bellefield and O'Kennedy Park each team shall be allocated a side of the pitch in advance of the game by the Committee-in-Charge, where their team officials and panel of players, as per regulations 1.3, 1.4 and 1.5, shall be positioned during the game.

The Team Officials & Players Zone shall be positioned between the two 20m lines and have seats which will be positioned to ensure compliance with Government social distancing guidelines (currently 2metres).

For games in Chadwicks Wexford Park, Bellefield and O'Kennedy Park, the alternative layout will be enforced with space reserved for substitutes.

**1.7** Where the National Anthem precedes a game, Teams shall stand to attention respectfully facing the flag for the full duration of the anthem; Helmets must not be worn for Amhrán na bhFiann, for the parade or in team photographs. At least 30 seconds will be provided to teams after the anthem, this is to allow for any team huddles or warmups before they are required to get into position for the start of the game. There will also be a three minute and a one-minute



reminder before the National Anthem is played. All other officials should be off the field when the National Anthem is been played.

Ball Boys are not permitted.

### **1.8 Dress**

Jerseys are to be properly numbered in accordance with the official list. Players are to be numbered in accordance with the match programme - an exception will be made only in the case of a valid withdrawal. Such withdrawal to be notified in advance to the referee.

Uniform colour of socks and shorts is to be worn by all players.

### **1.9 Warmups (All Grounds)**

Teams are asked to follow the guidelines for warmups outlined below.

All teams to warm up as directed by ground staff to limit the damage on the turf.

Goalkeepers should carry out the bulk of their warmups between the warmup poles which will be set out on the goal line at both ends by the ground staff to the exact width of the goals and will alternate sides between each match. Goalkeepers should also practice their kick outs between the 2 cones set out by the ground staff on the 13m line in front of the warmup poles.

Teams are not to enter the field until their allocated time until 20 mins prior to the throw-in time. No warm downs are allowed on the pitch

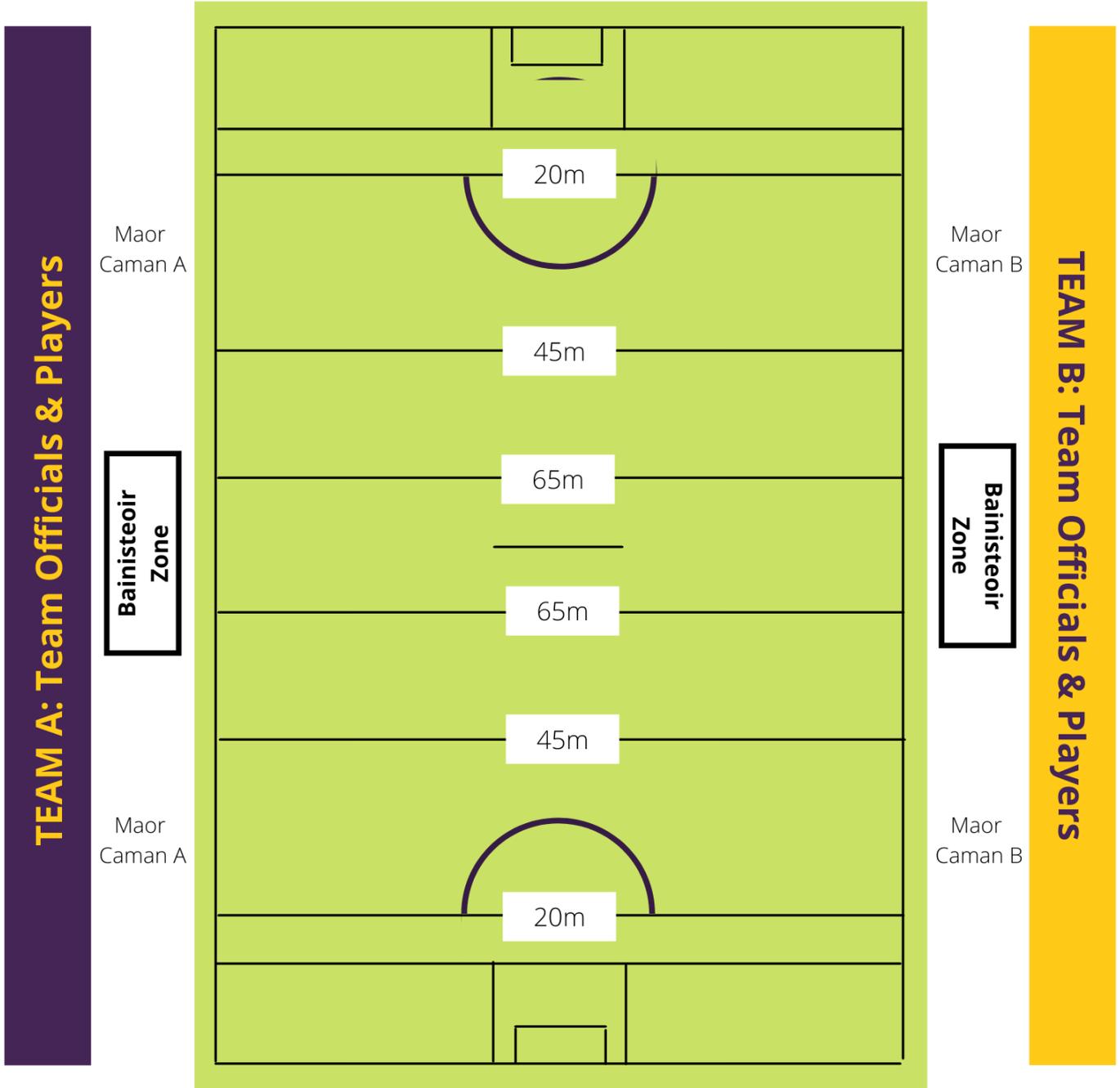
### **1.11 Responsibility**

Games and Ground regulations apply to all players and officials and adherence to the regulations is the responsibility of the Club Chairperson. In their absence, their responsibilities will pass to the Rúnaí/Nominated Person.

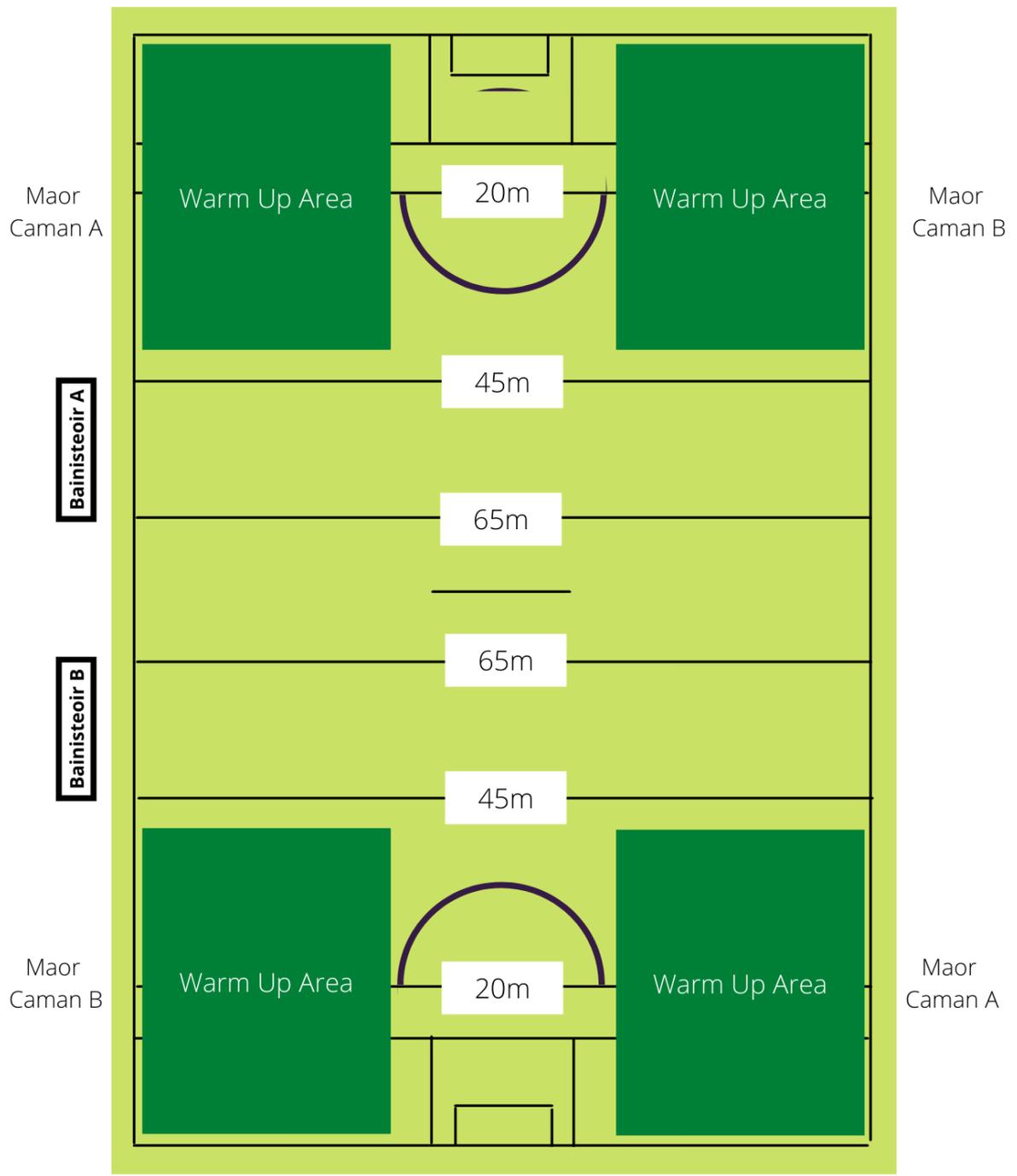
The Bainisteoir also shares the responsibility of ensuring the Games Regulations are respected by players and members of team management.



# Pitch Layout - Where Substitute Areas / Dugouts are on Opposite Sides of the Pitch



**Pitch Layout - Where Substitute Areas / Dugouts are the Same Side of the Pitch Chadwicks Wexford Park, Bellefield and O'Kennedy Park**



## 2. Game Regulations

**2.1** The Referee is in overall charge of Game Regulations and shall delegate authority to his Linesmen & Sideline Official; they shall include the Sideline Official/Match Monitor's report(s) with his match report as appropriate. ***The Referee has the authority during the game to send any person in breach of these Regulations to the stand/outside the pitch enclosure and such person cannot be replaced.***

**2.2** All Team Officials in the designated areas must be named on the Official list given to the Referee and may include: Bainisteoir, Medics, Maor Camán (Hurling Only) and Club Official.

**2.3 Club Official** - Game and Ground regulations apply to all players and officials and adherence to the regulations is the responsibility of the Club Official. The Bainisteoir also shares the responsibility of ensuring that Game Regulations are respected by players and members of team management. The Club Official shall also have the responsibility for preparing substitutions slips.

**2.4 Bainisteoir** - The Bainisteoir shall wear a designated distinctive top and is not permitted to enter the field of play. Where marked, they must remain within the Bainisteoir zones as marked in the pitch layouts. Where not marked, they may move along the sideline between the two 20m lines. The Bainisteoir may not act in any other capacity.

**2.5 Selectors** – Up to three Selectors shall be identified on the Official Team list and shall sit in the areas designated in Ground Regulations; they may not enter the field of play and must remain seated at all times.

**2.6 Medics** - One Medical person shall be identified on the Official Team list and shall sit in the areas designated in Ground Regulations; they shall wear clear identification and may only enter the field of play to attend to an injured player(s). Selectors/Coaches cannot act as a medic person, without advance approval from the Committee in Charge. Medical personnel while performing their duties are required to wear PPE.

### **2.7 Maor Camán / Maor Uisce**

Two Maor Camán / Maor Uisce, who must be over 18 years of age, are permitted per team; they may not enter the field of play. Each must wear an official bib and will be situated as per the pitch layouts, and at least two metres from the side-line.

Official team personnel (Selectors/Coaches), substitutes, injured players or members of the extended panel may not act as Maor Camán / Maor Uisce. In the event that any official team personnel, injured player or a member of the extended panel act as a Maor Camán / Maor Uisce, any breach of rule shall be considered as a Misconduct at Games by Team Officials infraction.

In Hurling, the Maor Camán may only enter the field of play with a replacement hurl when necessary. Maor Camán are not allowed to carry water into the players.

Any unauthorised incursions onto the field of play will be dealt with under Rial 7.2 2021.

**2.8 Substitutes** - Substitutes are not allowed a kick/puck around at half-time in County Semi Finals or County Finals. A maximum of three substitutes wearing designated distinctive tops may



warm up on side-lines at any one time. They may not bring a hurl or ball on to the side-line with them.

**2.9 Sliotars** - Any sliotars not officially approved and displaying the official GAA stamp shall not be used. Breaches shall be brought to the attention of the Referee. A white sliotar must be used for all Adult Club Championship matches.

**2.10 Late Fielding** - A team taking the field late before a game shall be subject to the penalties outlined in Rule 6.44(d)(i), T.O. 2021; a team responsible for a half time interval being exceeded shall be subject to penalties outlined in Rule 6.44(d)(ii)(a), T.O. 2021 and a team responsible for an interval period allowed being exceeded by more than 10 minutes shall be subject to penalties outlined in Rule 6.44(d)(ii)(b), T.O. 2021.

**2.11 Distinctive Tops** – If not wearing the official bib, the distinctive tops as listed above concerning the Bainisteoir shall not clash with the main colour of either team.

**2.12 Matters not provided for** – Matters not specifically provided for in these regulations shall be dealt with by the referee and his team of officials on the day, and then by An Lár Choiste Cheannais na gComortaisí when reported via either the Referee, Side-line Official or Match Monitor.

### 3. Penalties

**3.1** Penalties for breaches of Ground/Pitch/Game Regulations shall be at the discretion of the Committee-in-Charge. These may include warnings, fines, the withdrawal of side-line privileges for individuals as outlined in Part 2 of these regulations or suspension of individuals as considered appropriate.

**3.2** The **Referee** has the authority during the game to send any person in breach of these Regulations to the stand/outside the pitch enclosure and such person cannot be replaced.

**3.3** Where **Maoir Camán** side-line privileges have been withdrawn the Committee-in-Charge will appoint Maoir Camán on a team's behalf.

**3.4** Where Bainisteoir side-line privileges have been withdrawn the Bainisteoir will be confined to a designated area as decided on by the Referee or Committee-in-Charge.

**3.5** The frequency and gravity of reported breaches in each game shall be taken into account by the Committee-in-Charge and may lead to next match penalties.

**3.6** The provisions of Riail 7.2 T.O. 2021 concerning Misconduct at Games by Team Officials shall apply.

**3.7** Individuals reported for unauthorised entry on to the field of play may be dealt with under rule 6.44 (e) T.O. 2021.

A Team Official shall not enter the field of play.



Exception: The Referee may give his permission to a Team Medical Officer or one authorised official to enter the Field of Play to examine an injured player.

Penalties on the day for the above infraction:

(i) Caution offender by showing him a Yellow Card;

(ii) Order offender from the Pitch Enclosure for a second Infraction by showing him a second Yellow Card followed by a Red Card. The offender is debarred from the Pitch Enclosure for the remainder of the Game, including any Extra-Time, when played, and he may not be replaced.

Fixed penalty on a second repeat infraction (i.e. a third ordering off): One match suspension in the same Code and at the same Level, applicable to the next game in the competition in which the third ordering of occurred, even if that game occurs in the following year's competition.

