

Down GAA

CUMANN LÚTHCHLEAS GAEL

Championship Regulations for Down Club Championships 2019
As per RIAL 3.19(d), RIAL 3.20(ii), RIAL 6.21 (3), Treoraí Oifigiuil 2019
As approved by Coiste Chontae an Dúin on 18ú Iúil 2019

Introduction

These Regulations have been drawn up by Coiste Cheannais na gComortaisí an Dúin, in accordance with An Treoraí Oifigiuil Cuid I and Cuid II.

The County Competitions Control Committee (CCC) 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.

Sideline Official/Match Monitor

A Sideline Official will 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 one or more Match Monitors who shall be responsible for any duties assigned. The Sideline Official may include in his 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. 2019 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 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 being imposed on individuals, teams, or clubs by the Committee-in-Charge.

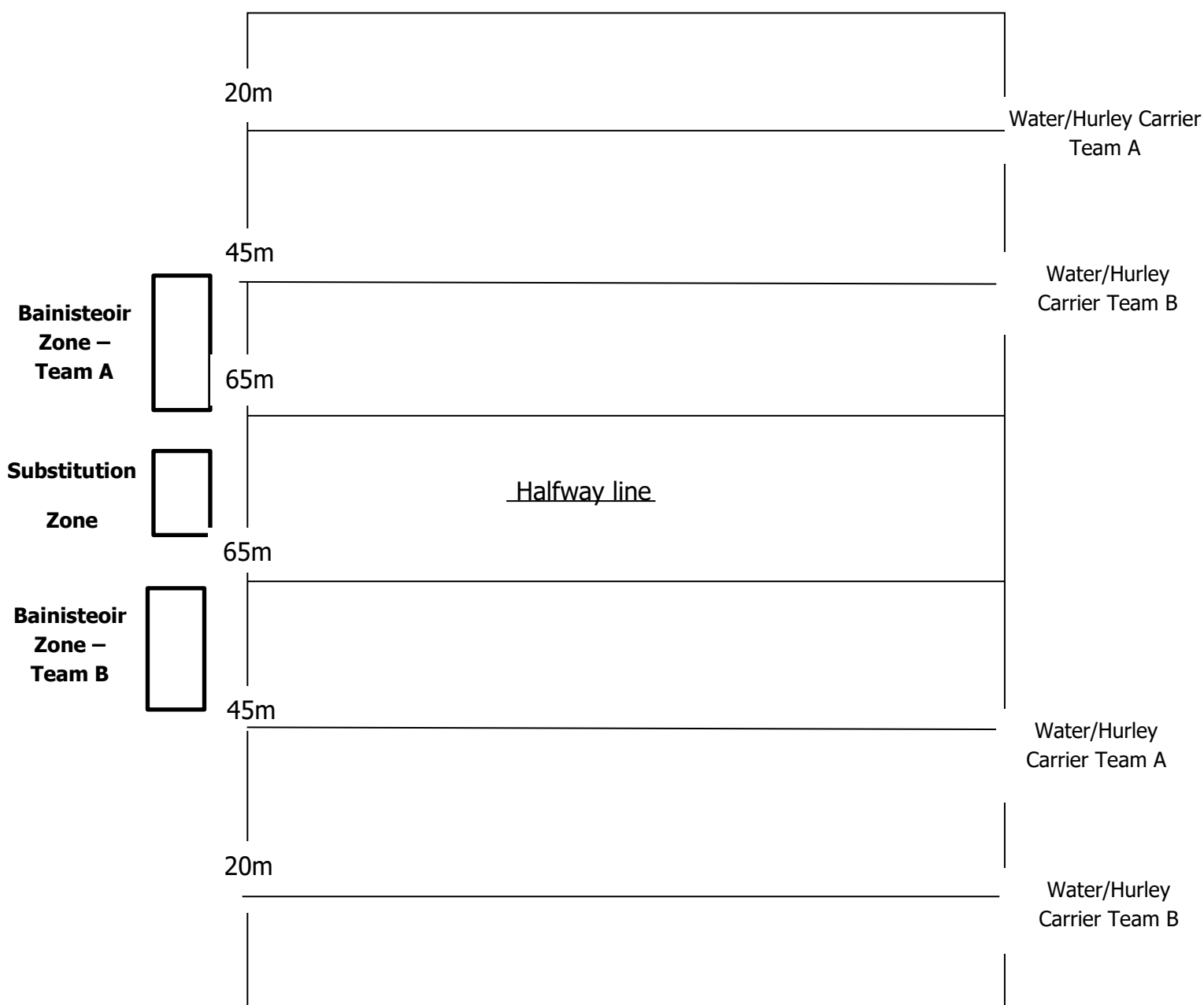
Failure to respect the regulations and follow laid down procedures therein may lead to penalties as defined in General Rule and Section 3 of this document being imposed on individuals, teams or Clubs by the Committees-in-Charge.

1. Ground /Pitch Regulations

- 1.1 Number allowed entry: (i) the number of players allowed external entry to a Venue and Pitch Enclosure shall be up to a maximum of 28 in all Championship Fixtures.
- 1.2 Only those named (i.e. up to 28) in Championship will be published in the Official Programme
- 1.3 The number of Team Mentors (excluding players) allowed external entry to a Venue shall be up to a maximum of 7. This will include the Team Manager, selectors and two medics.

- 1.4 The Club Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer are all entitled to enter the Dressing Room Area. It is suggested that the Chairperson and Secretary are positioned in the dugout during the game.
- 1.5 During the game, only three mentors from each side will be permitted outside of the dugout. One of these must be the Maor Foirne who is allowed to enter the playing area:
- 1.6 **A Break in Play:**
A break in play is when the ball has gone out of play following a score or a wide or a stoppage in play called by the Referee for medical attention to an injured player. The taking of a free and/or sideline kick/puck does not constitute a break in play.
- 1.7 All Team Officials and substitutes must sit in the designated areas identified & must leave the field of play 3 minutes prior to the throw-in to go to the appropriate designated areas.

Pitch Lay out



2. Game Regulations

- 2.1 The Referee is in overall charge of Game Regulations and shall delegate authority to his Linesmen and Sideline Official; he 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 repeated breach of these Regulations to the stand/outside the pitch enclosure and such person cannot be replaced.
- 2.2 All Team Officials sitting in the designated areas must be named on the Official list submitted to the Referee. This list should include: Bainisteoir, Maor Fóirne, Selector(s), Medics, Water/Hurley Carriers, Cathaoirleach, Rúnaí & any other relevant backroom personnel.
- 2.3 **Cathaoirleach** - Games and Ground regulations apply to all players and officials and adherence to the regulations is the responsibility of the Club Chairperson. In his/her absence, the 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.**
- 2.4 **Rúnaí** - The Rúnaí or Nominated Person shall relay details of substitutions to the Sideline Official.
- 2.5 **Bainisteoir** - The Bainisteoir shall wear a designated distinctive top and is not permitted to enter field of play. He may move along the sideline from the 65m line to the 45m line in his own half of the field only as per the "Pitch Layout" on Page 3 of these Regulations. The Bainisteoir may not act in any other capacity (e.g. as Maor Fóirne, etc).
- 2.6 **Maor Fóirne** - The Maor Fóirne (who must be a Selector) shall wear a designated distinctive top and may enter the field of play (as per 1.6) only through the area in front of the teams designated area, and only when the ball has gone out of play following a score, wide or during a stoppage called by the Referee. He shall exit the field at the nearest point and return to his designated area without interfering with play or opposition personnel. The Maor Fóirne must not be a listed member of the Team panel and may not act as a designated Water Carrier/Hurley Carrier.
- 2.7 **Selectors** - Selectors must remain in their designated area and may not act as Water/Hurley Carriers.
- 2.8 **Medics** - Two (2) Medical personnel 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 field of play to attend to injured player(s).
- 2.9 **Maor Uisce** - two 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 a designated distinctive top and will be situated as per the "Pitch Layout" on Page 3 of these Regulations, and at least two metres from the sideline. Official team personnel,

substitutes, injured players or members of the extended panel may not act as Maoir Uisce. In Hurling the Maoir Uisce will also act as Hurley Carriers. Hurley Carriers may enter the field of play with a replacement hurley when necessary.

2.10 **Substitutes** - Substitutes are not allowed a kick/puck around at half-time. A maximum of three substitutes wearing designated distinctive tops may warm up on sidelines at any one time on their designated half of the field.

2.11 **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. 2019;
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. 2019;
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. 2019.

2.12 **Extra Time** - In the event of a draw after normal time in all adult football and hurling championship games up to Quarter Final (or subsequent) stage;

1. PHASE 1 - Proceed to Extra time as provided for in Treoraí Oifigiuil Cuid II (two periods of ten minutes each way).
2. PHASE 2 - If teams are still level after Phase (1), an additional two periods of five minutes each way will be played.
3. There shall be a maximum time space of five minutes between the end of the first phase of Extra Time and the beginning of the second phase.
4. The Half Time interval in the second phase of Extra time should not exceed five minutes.
5. For the purposes of Riail 2.6 (a) (f) "Players in Extra Time" – Rules of Specification T.O. Cuid II, Phase 2 of Extra Time shall be considered an extension of the initial "Extra Time" provision rather than as a new period of Extra Time (e.g. a team reduced to 14 players because of a sending off during the playing of the first phase of Extra Time must start Phase II with only 14 players etc).
6. If still level after Phases (1) and (2) above, there will be a "penalty-taking competition" in football or a "free-taking competition" in hurling to decide the outcome:
 - Each team will nominate 5 penalty/free takers for the competition and indicate to the referee in which order (1 to 5) the penalty/free takers will take the penalties/frees.
 - The 5 players above must be chosen from players who have participated in the game, either in normal time or in one of the periods of Extra Time.
 - Players who receive a red card in Hurling or Football, and players who receive a black card in Football, in normal time or any of the four periods of Extra Time are not permitted to participate in the penalty/free taking competition.
 - The Referee will toss a coin for choice of ends in the presence of the Team Captains. The Captain who wins the toss will choose which end the penalty/free taking competition should be played into and will have the option of his team going 1st or 2nd.
 - The Referee will ensure two goal umpires are in place at the end in which the competition is being played into.

- In football, penalty kicks will be taken by each of the five players from the ground at a point 11m from the centre of the goal-line and only the defending goalkeeper may stand on the goal-line. The goalkeeper may move along his line, but may not advance from the goal-line until the ball has been kicked.
- In hurling, frees will be taken by each of the five players from a position of their choosing on the 65 metre line.
- In Hurling, frees shall be taken in accordance with the provisions of T.O 2019 Cuid II - Rules of Set Play Rial 2.5 (a) and (b) and Rules of Foul Play 4.24, 4.25 and 4.27. Breaches of these provisions will render frees null and void and they cannot be retaken.
- In football, frees shall be taken in accordance with the provisions of T.O 2019 Cuid II Rules of Set Play - Rule 2.4 and Rules of Foul Play 4.16(b), 4.21 and 4.22. Breaches of these provisions will render frees null and void and they cannot be retaken.
- In hurling, frees will be taken for points only, with no goalkeeper / defenders facing the free-takers.
- In football, penalties will be taken for goals only, with the opposition goalkeeper facing the penalty-taker.
- With the exception of the player taking the penalty/free, all other players, managers, officials, backroom personnel etc should be at their designated sideline area, and off the field of play when the penalty/free taking competition is taking place.
- The game is awarded to whichever team scores more of their 5 penalties/frees.
- If still level then sudden death frees to be taken using the same 5 players in order (i.e. first sudden death penalty/free is taken by the player who took the first penalty/free for each side, 2nd sudden death penalty/free if required to be taken by the player who took the 2nd penalty/free and so on).
- If a player scores in sudden death and his direct opponent misses, the game is awarded to the team of the player who has scored.
- The sudden death element will continue until such time as there is a definite outcome (i.e. returning to the first player(s) and repeating the sequence again if required).

NOTE 1: All of the above (1-6) will also apply to all underage competitions that are organised on a knock-out basis;

NOTE 2: 1-5 (only) above will apply in the event of a draw at the end of normal time in replays at Quarter Final and all subsequent stages.

Regulations governing the playing of Extra Time are outlined in Rialacha 2.4; 2.5; 2.6; 3.4; 3.7; 3.8 Rules of Specification, T.O. 2019 Part 2.

- 2.13 In the event of all teams in a round-robin competition (where games require a winner) winning the same number of games, the Committee-in-Charge shall draw a *straight knock-out* competition.

3. Penalties

- 3.1 Subject to General Rule, penalties for breaches of Regulations shall be at the discretion of the Committee-in-Charge. These may include warnings, fines, the withdrawal of sideline privileges in relation to Regulations 2.3 to 2.10 above (in the case of repeated breaches) or suspension of individuals as considered appropriate.
- 3.2 Maximum fines for breaches of Ground/Pitch Regulations and Clár an Lae: €300 (for each reported breach).
- 3.3 Where Maor Uisce sideline privileges have been withdrawn, the Committee-in-Charge will appoint Maor Uisce on a team's behalf.
- 3.4 Where Maor Fóirne privileges have been withdrawn, a replacement may not be permitted;
Where an individual Maor Fóirne is suspended however, a replacement is permitted.
- 3.5 Where Bainisteoir sideline privileges have been withdrawn, the Bainisteoir will be confined to a designated area as decided on by the Committee-in-Charge.
- 3.6 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.
- 3.7 The provisions of Rial 7.2(c) T.O. 2019 with regard to Misconduct at Games by Team Officials and Rial 7.2(d) T.O. 2019 with regard to Disruptive Conduct shall apply.
- 3.8 Individuals reported for unauthorised entry on to the field of play may be dealt with under Rial 6.44 (e) T.O. 2019.