

CCC Átha Cliath Regulations 2018.

General Regulations.

1. The CCC shall organise championships, as required in both Hurling and Football at the following grades; Senior, Intermediate, Junior, Under 21 and Minor. The CCC shall also organise All County Adult and Minor leagues in both Hurling and Football. The CCC may also organise other subsidiary Cup competitions if it deems them necessary.
2. The CCC shall make fixtures, and if necessary adjust same, provided proper notice (5 days) is given. For cup games and all replays or back matches proper notice shall be considered to be 4 days. Notice of fixtures shall be forwarded to clubs in writing or by email. It shall be the responsibility of clubs to check their email for fixtures. Time of delivery where fixtures are sent by email will be deemed as the time of the transmission. If the transmission is after 6pm on any day or is on a weekend and the recipient is affected by time limits in making a response the time of receipt shall be deemed to be 10.00am on the next working day. In the case of back matches, replays or postponements notice may also be given verbally.
3. All games must be played as scheduled. In exceptional circumstances only, the Chairman or acting Chairman of the CCC may cancel a match. In such circumstances (e.g.: a bereavement –of a Playing member or a Mentor of the team in question or an immediate family member of a player / team mentor (of the team in question) or a Club Officer only –where the game is scheduled prior to –or on – the day of the funeral) the game will be rescheduled by CCC at the earliest opportunity after the date of the original fixture. (Note; a team may only postpone one game in respect of any individual funeral). Failure to comply loss of points and or fine of €200.
4. If both clubs are agreeable they may move a league or cup fixture to a date within seven days of the original fixture date provided that both Clubs notify the CCC Secretary in writing at least 48 hours before the scheduled start time of the fixture and receive CCC permission. Teams' who cancel, postpone or move any fixture without first notifying the CCC, the referee and the referee's coordinator will be subject to loss of points or elimination and or a fine of €200. This will be applicable to both clubs. The re-arranged fixture must not interfere with any other CCC fixture. Championship games must be played as fixed by CCC (Exception – Under 21 championship fixtures may be brought forward up to the Wednesday prior to the scheduled fixture date).
5. Where a home team is unable to provide a pitch for any reason the onus is on that home Club to switch any game fixed for there to a suitable alternate venue or to the opponent's pitch if available. The CCC shall have the authority to appoint an alternate venue if it deems it necessary. It shall be the responsibility of the home club to make the necessary arrangements i.e. contact the opposition, referee, referee's co-ordinator and CCC. Failure by a club to adhere to this regulation may entail loss of game with award to their opponents and a fine of €200. Where a venue is changed due to the unavailability of the original venue the starting time of the game must remain as fixed by CCC unless (i) the host Club can show that the replacement venue is in use at the scheduled start time and (ii) where both teams are in agreement to change the start time.
6. Where a pitch has not been declared unplayable by 6pm on the day prior to a morning fixture or 9am on the day of an afternoon or evening fixture the final decision on making such a declaration shall rest with the official referee in consultation with the CCC Chairman or Secretary and Park authorities. Failure by a club to adhere to this regulation may entail loss of game with award to their opponents and a fine of €200.
7. Teams who fail to fulfil a League fixture for any reason, except with the permission of the CCC Chairman or acting Chairman, shall be fined €200 and forfeit the points with award to their opponents. A team failing to fulfil a second league fixture, without permission, shall also be eliminated from the competition. This includes promotion and relegation play offs. Teams eliminated from a league competition under this regulation shall be relegated to the next lowest league division for the next season. These teams shall be replaced by the highest finishing team/s in the next lowest league division...

- 8.** In accordance with County bye-law 23.1 no team shall have to fulfil a championship fixture in the same code in the 6 days prior to any inter-County championship fixture (10 days for All Ireland Senior semi-final. 17 days for All Ireland Senior Final) involving a Dublin team where one or more of their players are members of that Dublin team's official Inter County Panel. (Exception; an adult match may not be postponed due to the inclusion of a player on a County minor panel) In Adult / Minor league competitions clubs shall play without their players who are on inter County duty. Exception: Clubs shall be entitled to a postponement if one or more of its players are required on the same day on the official panel by a Dublin Adult Inter County team for championship or National league for the final two rounds of the league and any league play-off game.

For the purposes of definition of this regulation the following was adopted by County Committee in April 2016; Players included on an Inter-County Minor and U20 football or U21 hurling match day panel of 26 should not be requested to play with their clubs in adult football or hurling leagues or minor football or hurling leagues (Minor) six days prior to an inter-county championship fixture. Outside of this period all players shall be available to participate in their respective club league games. Inter-County team managements must supply their match day panel of twenty-six players to the County Secretary 48 hours prior to a scheduled programme of club league fixtures. Inter-County challenge games in a particular code will not be approved if there is a scheduled round of club fixtures in that code on the same weekend. The travelling party to games is 26 players only.

- 9.** Once the draw for a competition is made any Teams which fails to fulfil a Cup fixture shall be fined €100 and forfeit the points, with award to their opponents in a league type competition. A team failing to fulfil a second league type Cup fixture shall also be eliminated from the competition. In the case of a knockout competition a team which fails to fulfil a fixture shall be eliminated and the game awarded to their opponents.
- 10.** Any club failing to fulfil a fixture where the appointed Referee turns up for the game or who fails to pay the referee's out of pocket expenses must pay this allowance to the Secretary of Coiste ná Reiteoiri, who shall be responsible for the collection and re-imburement of these out of pocket expenses, within 7 days following receipt of notification from the Secretary of Coiste Cheannais ná gComortaisí. Failure pay within 7 days will incur a fine of €200 in addition to the outstanding referee's expenses.
- 11.** In the event of the appointed referee failing to attend any Cup game at adult or minor level clubs may agree on a suitable referee. Failing any such agreement teams must toss a coin for the right to supply a referee. Failure to comply will result in the loss of points or elimination for the team/s refusing to play.
- 12.** Where neither the opposing team nor the appointed referee appear at a venue to play a match officially fixed and to officiate thereat, and where no provision has been made in bye-law to cover such eventuality, the mentor of the team present is empowered to report the facts to CCC and claim the points or match for his team.
- 13.** Clubs shall be required to provide the following for all matches; size 5 match football / sliothar, 4 white bibs, coats/ jackets for umpires, a ground of the standard and dimensions required by An Teorai Oifigúil with (a) all markings properly flagged on both sidelines with flags on poles with rounded tops and which must be at least 60cm in length, (b) pitch surface to be in order regarding safety and length of grass etc, (c) Goalposts to be properly fixed, goal nets securely fixed and suitable for Football or Hurling as required, and (d) End lines and parallelograms to be marked in full. Failure to comply – loss of points or game to home team should that team win or draw plus €100 fine, and a fine of €200 should that team lose.
- 14.** All trophies must be returned to CCC prior to June 30th of each year or earlier if required by CCC. Failure to comply shall entail a fine of €1,000. Clubs are responsible for the safe upkeep of trophies in their custody and will be liable for any repairs or replacements.
- 15.** Teams not ready to start a match 30 minutes after the official start time shall be considered to have failed to fulfil the fixture.

- 16.** In the event of a colour clash both teams shall wear their alternate jerseys (unless there is alternate agreement between the concerned clubs). Failure to do so will result in the imposition of a fine of €100 on the offending clubs.
- 17.** Clubs must nominate a club official/s who shall be responsible for supplying match results to CCC / eSportsmanager. Failure to supply results to CCC / eSportsmanager within 48 hours of a fixture shall entail a fine of €100.00 per result. Where a result of a game is not supplied to eSportsmanager / CCC within 10 days of the fixture that game shall be declared null and void. Where CCC finds that a false result was submitted by agreement of two teams that game shall be declared null and void. The penalties as outlined in Regulation 7 shall also apply.
- 18.** CCC shall fix matches for flood lit and /or all weather or synthetic pitches as it deems necessary. Any team refusing to play on such pitches shall be deemed to have failed to fulfil the fixture and shall be dealt with in accordance with regulation 7, 9 or 26 as appropriate.
- 19.** The CCC may fix back matches as it deems necessary. Such back matches may be fixed for neutral venues.
- 20.** The CCC reserves the right to amend its published games calendar as it deems necessary.
- 21.** Where a Club has more than one team playing at the same level (i.e. adult football, adult hurling, Under 21 football, under 21 hurling, minor football or minor hurling level) and where that Club is forced to withdraw a team from competition at any time after competition grading has been confirmed by CCC the team to be withdrawn must be the lowest graded team from that Club. This regulation applies to both league and championship. If the team remaining in competition under this regulation then fails to fulfil one further league games or one championship game that team shall be eliminated and relegated to the next lowest league division/ championship.
- 22.** In all games played under the auspices of CCC Áth Cliath all Team Officials must wear a top/bib which clearly identifies their position with their team i.e. Bainisteoir (max' of one), Maor Foirne (max' of one), Medic (max' of two) and Water / Hurley Carrier (max' of three). Penalty for non-compliance €200. Sponsors logos etc may be displayed on such tops/bibs provided they comply with Rule 1.18 T.O. 2017.
- 23.** Extra time shall be played in all knockout league, championship and cup rounds at all levels and in both codes up to and including semi-finals. C.C.C. may permit finals to be replayed if time allows.
- 24.** All Championship games shall be 15 a side.
- 25.** League and League Championship play-off games (with the exception of AFL 1 and AHL 1 Finals) shall be played at the venue of the higher placed team in the league table if available. If the higher placed team is unable to provide a venue for any reason regulation 5 above shall apply.
- 26.** For the purposes of Rules 6.21(4)(c) / 6.38 T.O. 2017 the following shall apply to all League/ Championships, Leagues and Cups run on a league basis;
When teams finish on equal league points for Qualification for the concluding stages, or for promotion or Relegation, the tie shall be decided by the following means and in the order specified;
(i) Where two teams only are involved – the procedures as outlined in Rule 6.21 (4) (c) T.O. 2017 shall apply.
(ii) Where more than two teams are involved – Scoring difference (subtracting the total scores against from the total scores for) of the games where the teams tied on points played each other only. In the event that a team involved in a tie consisting of more than two teams had their finishing points total affected by a loss of points against that team on a proven objection, forfeiture of points for breach of rule / regulation, or by loss of points for failing to fulfil a fixture, that team shall not be included in any play-off and shall be deemed to have finished in last place in whatever means is used to decide the tie. The procedures outlined in Rule 6.21 (4) (c) T.O. 2017 shall then be used to separate the remaining teams in the tie.

Football Championships

27. Football championships shall be structured in accordance with 2018 and Beyond document adopted by County Committee in July 2016 as follows; Senior 1 Senior 2, Intermediate, Junior 1 and Junior 2 Club Championships, entry to which shall be confined to the first team in Clubs and based on status in 2017 championships.

Based on performance in SFC from 2013 to 2017 inclusive the top 16 SFC teams shall be placed in SFC 1 and the next 16 (excluding the team relegated in 2017) shall be placed in SFC 2. In SFC 1 the four semi-finalists from the previous year shall be seeded and allocated, one to each group, by a draw.

All-County Football Championships at Intermediate and Junior levels (as many junior levels as are required) for 2nd or lower teams in Clubs shall also be arranged based on status in 2017 championships.

All Championships shall, in as far as possible, be confined to a maximum of 16 teams and shall be drawn in Groups of 4 by open draw and played on a round robin basis. A maximum of one team per club shall be allowed in any All-County Championship grade).

The top two teams of each group in all championships shall qualify for quarter-finals to be played on a knock-out basis to be drawn by open draw, the draw shall be arranged to ensure that that teams from the same qualifying group do not meet in the quarter-finals. All Semi-finals shall also be drawn by open draw.

The winners of all Championships (except SFC and Intermediate All-County) shall be promoted to the next highest grade for the following year (and the winners of the Senior 1, Intermediate and Junior 1 Club Championships shall represent Dublin in their respective Leinster Club Championship.

The bottom team in each championship group shall compete in a knockout competition (open draw) with the team failing to win any games relegated. A shield competition for 3rd placed teams in groups may also be arranged.

.A team failing to fulfil a knockout championship fixture or championship relegation fixture shall be eliminated from the competition and automatically relegated to the next lowest championship and fined €200.

28. .A player who plays in any Football championship match may not subsequently play in a lower status football championship of the same championship year. (Penalty for breach of this regulation: Team loss of match. Player 4 week's suspension).

29. The Under 21 championships shall be organised on a knockout basis with extra time to be played in all rounds, if required... CCC shall have sole discretion on gradings for these championships. All games shall be fixed on a play or concede basis. (Exception – see regulation 4).

30. Minor Football Championship shall be run on a round robin qualifying basis (Rule 6.21 T.O. 2017 to apply). All games shall be fixed on a play or concede basis.

31. Where possible adult championship finals shall be played at neutral venues.

Football League Competitions.

32. Subject to the policy set by County Committee the CCC shall each year, conduct the Adult Football All-County Leagues having considered proposals from County Committee regarding the manner in which the competitions shall be run.

33. Football playoffs – Division One The top four teams shall play-off for the league title and runners-up, team 1 v. team 4 and team 2 v. team 3 with winners meeting in a final. In AFL 2 to 10 - 1st team declared as winner. The 2nd placed team shall also be promoted. The 3rd and 4th placed teams shall playoff for a third promotion spot. In AFL 11 and any lower league the top two teams in each section play-off to determine League winner and runners-up who shall be promoted.

34. Football Relegation. In all Adult football Leagues (exception – AFL 10 and the lowest league) the last two teams in the division shall be relegated to the next lowest division. The 3rd last team shall play the 4th last team in a relegation play-off with the losing team also relegated to next lowest league division. The

bottom two teams in AFL 10 shall be relegated. For the purpose of determining final league placing any team eliminated from a league shall be considered to have finished in last place in a league regardless of the points they have accumulated up to the time of their elimination and shall be relegated.

35. Where a club has teams competing in more than one adult or minor division or has more than one team in the same division a panel of twenty players for each team except the lowest grade must be submitted to the CCC before the team plays their second game in the league. That list shall contain the names of at least ten players who participated in their Club's first game of the league which the list applies to. Where a team fails to submit a panel CCC shall consider the first twenty players to be used in a league to be that team's panel. These panels shall be made available to a club on written request from a club Secretary. A player may only play for one team in the same League Division – Penalty; Team -Loss of match on objection, Player – 4 Weeks Suspension. CCC shall have the authority to allow a player on a list supplied to drop to a lower level if in the opinion of CCC that player is unable to resume at his original level due to an injury etc.

36. No player on such panel shall be eligible to play on another team in the same division or in a lower division. Penalty – Team – Loss of match to opponents on objection. Player – 4 weeks suspension.

For the purposes of these Regulations any league which is played in two or more sections shall be considered to be the same league division.

37. A player may not play in any lower league division if he has played in more than three games in any higher league division(s) in the same season. Penalty – Team – Loss of match to opponents on objection. Player – 4 weeks suspension.

38. Minor Leagues shall each year be organised by CCC having considered any relevant proposals from County Committee. Team gradings shall be at the discretion of the CCC.

39. A special minor league may be organised during the summer months.

40. CCC may organise and conduct Adult and Minor Cup Competitions having considered any relevant proposals from County Committee. Gradings shall be at the discretion of the CCC. Eligibility of players will be decided by CCC for various competitions. Penalty – Team – Loss of match to opponents on objection. Player – 4 weeks suspension. Teams entering Cup competitions do so on the understanding that they must play in those competitions without players who are (1) required for any county / representative panel or (2) playing hurling league or championship with their club. The CCC shall refuse to accept a Cup entry from a club if, in the opinion of the CCC, accepting the entry will have an adverse impact on hurling within that club.

41. All leagues shall be 15 aside. If a team is unable to field 15 players, 13 or 14 a side may be played, with both teams playing the same number of players (13v.13 or 14v.14) in the following leagues: AFL10 or lower, MFL3 or lower, or in any adult football cup competition. Where a game goes ahead with either 13 or 14 a side, up to 21 players may be used by the team with the greater number of players present.

Hurling Championships

42. The adult Hurling Championships shall be played according to the Hurling Competition Plan as passed by Co. Committee for 2012. In SHC A 16 entries shall be divided into 4 groups of 4 teams each to play a round robin league competition. The top two teams in each group to qualify for the quarter-finals, and the bottom team in each group to play in the relegation play-off. Draw for quarter-finals – 1st placed team in groups' v 2nd placed teams in groups (Group A v. B, C v. D). Open draw for semi-final.

Relegation play-offs – Open draw with two losing teams relegated. The four semi-finalists in SHC A each year shall, in the subsequent year, be seeded, one into each of the 4 groups.

All other Hurling championships to be run on a league championship basis as in recent years i.e. two groups of six teams in each championship, top. Promotion / Relegation to be two up / two down in all championships. (Exception – there shall be no relegation from groups of ten teams or less).

For the purposes of qualification for the Leinster Intermediate Club Championship the winner of the SHCB shall play the winner of the IHC (if both meet qualification criteria) to determine who will represent Dublin.

43. All games, whether in the league or knockout phases of the competitions (SHC 'A', SHC 'B', IHC and Junior Championships) are deemed to be championship games.

44. Minor Hurling Championship shall be run on a round robin basis. All games shall be fixed on a play or concede basis.

45. Under 21 Hurling Championships shall be played on a knockout basis with extra time to be played in all rounds if required. All games shall be fixed on a play or concede basis. Exception –see regulation 4. (CCC shall have sole discretion on gradings for these Championships).

46. A player who plays in any Hurling Championship (including a "B", "C" etc championship) match may not subsequently play in a lower status hurling championship in the same championship year. A player who plays in any Junior Championship may not subsequently play in a lower grade Junior Championship unless he is regraded by CCC. (Penalty for breach of this regulation: Team loss of match. Player 4 week's suspension).

47. Where possible adult championship semi-finals and finals shall be played at neutral venues.

48. Failure to fulfil a championship match shall entail loss of points in the group stage or elimination after a second failure to fulfil a fixture and relegation to the next lowest championship. In the knockout stage a failure to fulfil a fixture shall entail loss of game and a fine of €100.

Hurling Leagues

49. (All County) Adult Hurling League shall be played as follows;

One round of 11 games on home and away basis.

Teams shall play without inter-county players except as provided for in regulation 8 above.

A team which fails to field in a final for any reason, except as provided for in these regulations, shall be fined €1,000.00.

50. Adult Hurling Leagues shall have promotion and relegation. In AHL 1 the top two teams shall play in a league final. In AHL 2 and all leagues below the top team shall be declared the league winner and shall be promoted.. The 2nd and 3rd placed teams shall play-off with the winner also promoted. The bottom team in each league shall be relegated. The 2nd and 3rd last teams in each league shall play-off with the loser also relegated. Relegation does not apply to the lowest league.

51. Where a club has teams competing in more than one adult or minor league division or has more than one team in the same division, a panel of twenty players for each team except the lowest grade must be submitted to the CCC before the team plays the second game in the league. That list shall contain the names of at least ten players who participated in their Club's first game of the league which the list applies to. Where a club fails to submit a panel CCC shall consider the first twenty players to be used in a league to be that club's panel. These panels shall be made available to a club on written request from a club Secretary. A player may only play for one team in the same League Division – Penalty; Team -Loss of match on objection, Player – 4 Weeks Suspension. CCC shall have the authority to allow a player on a list supplied to drop to a lower level if in the opinion of CCC that player is unable to resume at his original level due to an injury etc.

52. No player on such panel shall be eligible to play on another team in the same division or in a lower division. Penalty – Team – Loss of match to opponents on objection. Player – 4 weeks suspension.

53. A player may not play in any lower league division if he has played in more than three games in any higher league division(s) in the same season. Penalty – Team – Loss of match to opponents on objection. Player – 4 weeks suspension.

54. Minor Leagues shall each year be organised by CCC. Having considered any relevant proposals from County committee, team gradings shall be at the discretion of the CCC.

55. A special minor league may be organised during the summer months.

56. The CCC may organise and conduct Adult and Minor Cup Competitions. Team Gradings shall be at the discretion of the CCC. Eligibility of players will be decided by CCC for various competitions. Penalty – Team – Loss of match to opponents on objection. Player – 4 weeks suspension. Teams entering Cup competitions do so on the understanding that they must play in those competitions without players who are (1) required for any county / representative panel or (2) playing football league or championship with their club.

57. All leagues shall be 15 aside. If a team is unable to field 15 players, 13 or 14 a side may be played, with both teams playing the same number of players (13v.13 or 14v.14) in the following leagues: AHL5 or lower, MHL3 or lower, or in any adult hurling cup competition. Where a game goes ahead with either 13 or 14 a side, up to 20 players may be used by the team with the greater number of players present.

Football and Hurling Championship Match Regulations.

58. Lists of team panels (1 to 30) for inclusion in Match Programmes in all senior football championship fixtures, senior hurling championship fixtures and all other competition finals must be received by the CCC Secretary at least 3(three) days prior to the game. (€200 fine).

59. The number of players allowed entry to a Ground / Dressing Room shall be 30 (thirty) and only these 30 (thirty) shall be published in the match programme. (€200 fine).

60. The number of Club Officials allowed entry to a Ground / Dressing Room shall be 7 (seven). (€200 fine).

61. A maximum of 15 (fifteen) players shall be allowed in the “dug-out” (situated in the stand at Parnell Park) and they must be seated at all times unless engaged in a warm-up on pitch-side. A maximum of three players may warm-up pitch-side at any one time during a game. A maximum of four officials, which shall include two medics, team manager (Bainisteoir) and Maor Foirne (all of whom must wear distinctive bibs), will be permitted to be on the sideline but must remain seated. The team manager is permitted to move along the sideline in front of his team’s dugout to make changes / give instructions but must return to the provided seating immediately. A Maor Foirne is permitted to enter the pitch to give instruction while the ball is out of play following a score, 45/65 or wide only. In Hurling 3 (three) Water /Hurley (Maor Uisce) carriers per team are permitted (The Maor Uisce shall also act as a Hurley carrier). In football three water carriers (Maor Uisce) per team are permitted. Water / Hurley carriers, who must be over 18 years of age, cannot be team selectors and are not permitted to enter the field of play at any time. Team statisticians must remain outside of the pitch boundary fence at all times. (Penalty - €100 per each breach of this regulation).

62. Players must be numbered exactly in accordance with the published match programme. (€200 fine).

63. There shall be uniformity in colour of shorts and socks. (€100fine).

64. Teams will be allowed access to the pitch where possible 15 (fifteen) minutes immediately prior to the commencement of their game. (€200 fine).

65. Players / substitutes are not permitted to have a kick / puck about on the pitch at half time. (€200 fine).

66. 2 (two) authorised team officials / medical officers (both wearing distinctive bibs) may attend to an injured player on the field of play. These officials shall not enter the field of play until permitted to do so by the Referee / Linesman. (€200 fine).

67. Officials and players shall not urinate in any open public area on or around a pitch before or during a game. (€300 fine).

68. Children under 14 years of age are not permitted in any of the following areas under any circumstances – pitch, dug-out, dressing room area. (€100 fine).

69. The onus is on each club to ensure that their members are aware of, and adhere to, these regulations.

70. The penalties outlined after each championship match regulation above are minimum penalties.

71. The Referee is in overall charge of Game Regulations and shall delegate authority to his linesmen and sideline official (if available). He shall include the sideline Official's report with his match report as appropriate. The Referee has the authority during a game to send any person in repeated breach of these regulations to the stand / outside the pitch enclosure and such person cannot be replaced.

72: The following regulations govern the recording on film, video, DVD or otherwise of any ADULT competition games played under the auspices of CCC Áth Cliath.

The recording of minor competition games are subject to the guidelines on the use of photographic images and maintaining websites in GAA Clubs as outlined in the GAA Code of Best Practice in Youth Sport (copy available on www.gaa.ie).

Permission for a Club to record a game on video or any other means of recording may be granted on the following basis:

(1) That an application is made in writing / email beforehand and is authorised by the Secretary of the Competitions Control Committee (CCC).

(2) That any recording may only be used for coaching, training, or disciplinary purposes.

(3) That the Club recording a game, or its agent hired for the purposes of same, shall make a full, unedited copy of the recording of the game available to the CCC, on request.

(4) Host Clubs must provide facilities for visiting teams (who have been authorised by CCC) to record games.

(5) In the event of a dispute preference in the allocation of vantage points for recording any game shall be in the following order -

(i) Dubs TV (www.dublingaa.ie).

(ii) Dublin Team Managements.

(iii) Participating Teams.

(iv) Broadcast Media.

There are other protocols to be observed when filming in Public Parks and clubs should liaise with the relevant Local Authority prior to making any recording in a Public Park.

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