

Coiste Chontae Dhún Na nGall C.L.G.

Bye – Laws 2018

To be read in conjunction with An Treoraí Oifigiúil 2017.

1. County Convention: (Rules 3.10 to 3.17 T.O. 2017)

County Convention, convened in accordance with Rule 3.10, shall having firstly been duly nominated in accordance with Rule 3.13 elect/appoint the following Officers and Representatives in accordance with Rule 3.11:

Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Development Officer, Coaching Officer, Officer for Irish Language and Culture and Public Relations Officer and shall appoint a Children's Officer recommended by the outgoing County Committee.

It shall further elect two representatives on Provincial Council and One representative on Central Council.

It shall elect Delegates to Annual Congress and Provincial Convention in accordance with Rule 3.12.

2. The Donegal County Committee shall consist of the following officers elected at the Annual Convention: Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Public Relations Officers, Oifigeach Gaeilge agus Cultúir, Coaching Officer, Development Officer, two Representatives to the Provincial Council, One Representative to Central Council, The County Children's Officer (appointed in accordance with R. 3.11 (a) T.O 2017), The County Referees' Administrator (appointed in accordance with R. 3.20 (i), T. O. 2017), One named Cumann na mBunscol Representative, One named An Choiste Iomána Representative, One named Post Primary Schools Committee Representative, One named representative nominated by the the County Handball Committee, One named delegate each from the three (3) Divisional Sub-Committees and two (2) named delegates from each of the affiliated Clubs in the County subject to Rule 3.18(f) T.O. 2016. One (1) named Representative from Comortas Peil na Gaeltachta. It shall also include a named Integration Officer with responsibility liaising with Ladies Football, Camogie, Handball and Rounders' boards, and driving the Integration process within the county.

All, except An Comortas Peil na Gaeltachta representative & the Integration Officer, shall have voting rights.

3. In accordance with Rule 3.20 T.O. 2017 the County Committee shall appoint the following Sub-Committees, membership of which shall be set out in County Bye-Laws.

3.1 Coiste Bainistíochta

It shall consist of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Vice-Treasurer, P.R.O., County's Children's Officer, Coaching Officer, Development Officer, Oifigeach na Gaelige, Two Ulster Council Representatives and the Central Council Representative.

3.2 Competition Controls Committee: It shall consist of the County Vice-Chairperson as its Chairperson, the Assistant County Secretary as its Secretary, County Coaching Officer, Secretary of the County Minor Sub-Committee, Assistant County Treasurer, County PRO, One Ulster Council Representative, the Secretary of An Choiste Iomána and the County Referees Administrator (who shall be entitled to vote only on the appointment of Referees) and a named representative of each of the three (3) Divisional Sub-Committees.(who shall be entitled to vote only on matters pertaining to underage fixtures). In addition County Committee shall appoint three named members of County Committee, one each from Junior, Intermediate and Senior Clubs. A quorum for this committee shall be four (4).

3.3 Fixtures Analysts: Two Fixtures Analysts shall be appointed by the County Management Committee.

3.4 The County Hearings Committee: It shall consist of eight (8) named persons selected from County Committee and/or other suitable personnel.

3.5. Planning Physical Development and Safety Committee: It shall consist of the County Development Officer (as its Chairperson) and 5 other named nominated personnel, deemed qualified and appointed by the County Committee.

3.6 County Referees' Administration Committee: It shall consist of The County Referees' Administrator (as its Chairperson, Referees' Appointments Secretary, Referees' Advisor Officer; Referees' Recruitment, Training and mentoring Officer (County Minor Subcommittee), Referees' Youth Academy Co-ordinator (for Club Blitzes – Go Games U-8, U-10), Adult Club Referees Training, Development and Welfare Officer, Hurling Referee Training and Development Officer, A Club Referee Representative duly elected by the Adult Referee Board, Chairperson and Rúnaí CCC (as ex-officio officers) . This committee may appoint subgroups within.

3.7 County Coaching & Games Development Committee: It shall consist of the County Coaching Officer (as its Chairperson), the Games Development Manager /Administrator (as its Secretary), one member each from the three (3) Divisional Sub-Committees who are not on the County Minor Sub-Committee CCC, one named Representative from each of An Choiste Iomána, Cumann na mBunscol, Post Primary Schools' Committee.

This committee may appoint subgroups within.

3.8. Cultural Committee: It shall consist of Oifigeach na Gaeilge agus Cultúir (as its Chairperson) and 5 named members appointed by County Committee.

3.9 Public Relations/Marketing Committee: It shall consist of the County PRO (as its Chairperson), County Secretary, County Treasurer, the Commercial and Marketing Manager, PRO of the County Minor Sub-Committee, the PRO's from the three (3) Divisional Sub-Committees, PRO of An Choiste Iomána and 3 other nominated personnel, deemed qualified and appointed by County Committee.

This committee may appoint subgroups within.

3.10 Youth Committee: It shall consist of a Cathaoirleach appointed from within the membership of County Management Committee, a Rúnaí, who shall be appointed by County Committee, Leas-Cisteoir na Contae as Cisteoir, the Cathaoirleach, Rúnaí and Cisteoir of the three Divisional Sub-Committees, and one named Representative from An Choiste Íomana, Cumann na mBunscol and the Post Primary Schools' Committee.

3.11. Finance Sub-Committee: It shall consist of the County Treasurer (as it's Chairperson), the Assistant County Treasurer and 5 named members deemed qualified and appointed by the County Committee.

A copy of the Accounts/Financial Statements of each Club, as adopted and approved at the Annual General Meeting, shall be submitted to the County Treasurer within four weeks of the date of the Club Annual General Meeting. The Penalty for failure to comply with this requirement will be a mandatory fine of €200 to the Club

3.12 I.T. Committee: It shall consist of the County I.T. Officer appointed by County Committee (as its Chairperson) County Secretary, County Administrator County PRO and 3 other nominated personnel, deemed qualified and appointed by County Committee.

3.13 County Teams' Management and Panels Sub-Committee: The membership of which shall be as outlined in the Charter for County Committee / Player relationships as approved by

Ard Chomhairle from time to time. The functions of this Sub-Committee will be as outlined in Rule 3.20 (xiii) T.O. 2017.

3.14 County Health and Wellbeing Committee: Membership of the committee shall be 8 in number. Membership of the committee is to include some or all of the following: the County Health & Wellbeing Officer as Chairperson, the County Children's Officer, the County Social Initiative Coordinator, the County Inclusion Officer, and four (4) named club representatives with expertise/professional experience in one of the following areas – health promotion, mental health, alcohol/drug abuse prevention, counselling, physical health and exercise, diet and nutrition. If such individuals are not successfully recruited from the clubs the committee should seek to recruit four (4) members from local statutory, voluntary, or community groups with appropriate experience/professional expertise in the above areas and who shall be Members of the Association.

4. In accordance with R. 3.19(1), T.O. 2017 the County Committee shall appoint the following sub-committees whose powers and functions shall be as outlined in these Bye-Laws:

4.1 An Choiste Iomána: It shall consist of a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, PRO, one representative nominated by County Committee from within the membership of An Coiste Bainistíochta, and one (1) named delegate from each of the affiliated clubs promoting adult and/or underage hurling in the county. It shall be responsible for the implementation of the development of Hurling as set out in the Strategic Plan.

4.2 Child Awareness and Protection Committee, Its members shall consist of the County Children's Officer as Cathaoirleach, A Runaí appointed by Coiste na Contae, The County Development Officer, the Games Development Manager and the Child awareness tutors.

Its functions & responsibilities shall be as outlined in Rule 1.13, of T.O. 2016.

4.3 County Minor Sub-Committee: Its members shall consist of Cathaoirleach appointed from within the existing membership of County Management Committee, a Rúnáí, who shall be appointed by County Committee, Leas-Cisteoir na Contae as Cisteoir, PRO with the necessary skills appointed by County Committee, County Coaching Officer, two (2) elected

members from each of the three (3) Divisional Sub-Committees, Games Development Manager, County Children's Officer, one (1) member of the Referees Administration Committee and one named representative from An Choiste Iomána, Cumann na mBunscol and the Post Primary Schools' Committee.

It shall be;

a) The sole Under-Age Fixtures making body and shall prepare a Master Fixtures Plan for all divisions to ensure a coordinated games structure in the entire County.

b) Be the controlling and disciplinary body of all underage games within the County.

c) It shall have three (3) Divisional Sub-Committees to be known respectively as the Northern, Southern and Inishowen Divisional Sub-Committees.

It shall have a Competitions Control Committee, with the same functions within its jurisdiction as those of a County Competitions Control Committee appointed under Rule 3.20, 2016. Its membership shall be made up of the Runaí of the County Minor Sub-Committee as Chairperson, PRO of the County Minor Sub-Committee, Assistant County Treasurer, one (1) each of the elected members of the three (3) committees to be known respectively as the Northern, Southern and Inishowen Divisional Sub-Committees, a named member of An Choiste Iomána, a named member of the Post Primary School's Committee, a named member of the Referees' Administration Committee (who shall be entitled to vote only on the appointment of Referees). A Secretary to be selected from within the membership of this committee by the County Minor Sub-Committee. A quorum for this committee shall be four (4).

4.4 Divisional Sub-Committees: There shall be three (3) Divisional Sub-Committees to be known respectively as the Northern, Southern and Inishowen Divisional Sub-Committees. Their functions and powers shall be as per Riall 3.19, 3.20 and 3.21 of the Official Guide, 2017. Membership of each Divisional Sub – Committee shall be Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, PRO, and one (1) named delegate per affiliated club within its jurisdiction. The above named officers to be elected at the AGM to be held before the end of November each year.

The Chairperson of each Divisional Sub-Committee shall represent the division on the County Minor Sub-Committee and the County Youth Committee. A separate representative of the elected Officers of each Divisional Sub-Committee shall also sit on the County Minor Sub-Committee and represent the division on the County Minor Sub-Committee Competitions Control Committee. All divisional fixtures shall be monitored by the Divisional Sub-Committee's Competitions Control Committee representative, and all match reports will go to the Secretary of the County Minor Sub-Committee Competitions Control Committee for any disciplinary matters. The overall fixtures shall be made by the County Minor Sub-Committee Competitions Control Committee.

4.5 County Post-Primary Schools Committee: It shall consist of one (1) named representative of each Post Primary School in the county, one (1) named representative of Colaiste Inis Eoghain and any other amalgamation entered into Post Primary competitions, County Coaching Officer and Games Development Manager. Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected from within this membership at an AGM before the end of November each year. Its functions shall include:

- a) To Promote, develop and control Gaelic Games in Post-Primary Schools.
- b) To organise competitions, where appropriate and encourage as wide a participation in Gaelic Games as is feasible.
- c) It shall appoint a Competitions Control Committee to organise and make arrangements for all competitions under its jurisdiction. Membership of which shall be Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer elected at the AGM and four (4) other representatives from the Post Primary Schools Committee. A quorum for this committee shall be four (4).

4.6 Cumann na mBunscol Committee: It shall consist of a Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, PRO and other Officers as required.

The main aims and objectives of "Cumann na mBunscol" shall be:

To promote, develop and control Gaelic Games in Primary Schools.

To organise competitions, where appropriate, and encourage as wide a participation in Gaelic Games as is feasible.

To promote and foster a positive attitude towards our national games among teachers, pupils, parents and all involved in the promotion of Gaelic Games in the primary education system

To promote Gaelic Games in an atmosphere of fun and enjoyment.

- (a) It shall appoint a Competitions Control Committee to organise and make arrangements for all competitions under its jurisdiction. Membership of which shall be Chairperson, Secretary Treasurer PRO elected at the AGM and four (4) other representatives from the Primary Schools Committee.
- (b) A quorum for this committee shall be four (4).

4.7 Transfers:

Transfers shall be in accordance with R. 6.5 and 6.7, T.O. 2017.

a) All applications for inter club transfers within the County shall be made on official application form, no application shall be considered unless received before July 31st.

b) A transfer shall not be granted unless the player satisfies the Competitions Control Committee that his new address is or has been his/her prime sole residence, for a period of three (3) months, within the club Catchment Area, as approved by the County Committee, of the club he/she wishes to join.

1. Exception: A player is entitled to transfer back to his/her first Club, without Proof of residence prior to July 31st.

4.8 . Attachment to First Club: In accordance with Rule 6.4 T.O. 2017, a person shall only be entitled to join a club within the confines of the Catchment Area of his permanent residence.

4.9 Grading of Clubs and Players:

1) All grading shall be effected in compliance with Rules 6.19 and 6.20 T O 2017.

2) The Adult Championship Grades shall be known as Senior (A, B & C), Intermediate (A & B), Junior (A & B), Under 21(A & B).

3) Applications for regarding by Clubs and Players must be made in writing to the County Secretary not later than 30th April each year.

4) In exceptional circumstances due to injury, clubs may request regrading after the April 30th deadline.