



Cumann Luthchleas Gael

Coiste Chontae Mhuineacháin



FODHLÍTHE | BYE-LAWS

2022

(Approved by An Coiste Bainistíochta, on behalf of Ard Comhairle)

1. County Convention: (Rules 3.10 to 3.17 T.O 2021)

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
- Planning and Training Officer (as recommended by the outgoing County Committee)
- Coaching Officer
- Hurling Officer
- Officer for Irish Language and Culture
- Public Relations Officer
- Children's Officer (as recommended by the outgoing County Committee)
- Two Provincial Council representatives
- One Central Council representative

It shall authorise selection by the Management Committee of Delegates to attend Annual Congress and Provincial Convention in accordance with Rule 3.12 T.O. 2021.

2. County Committee

The County Committee shall be the governing and controlling body of all the affairs of the Association, excepting those functions reserved to the Provincial and Central Council under the Official Guide with powers as set out in Rule 3.19 T.O. 2021 and shall consist of:

2.1. Officers elected at County Convention:

- Chairperson
- Vice-Chairperson
- Secretary
- Assistant Secretary
- Treasurer

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- Assistant-Treasurer
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- Coaching Officer
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- Public Relations Officer
- Children's Officer (as recommended by the outgoing County Committee)
- Two Provincial Council representatives
- One Central Council representative
- Safety and Facilities Officer

2.2. County Referees' Administrator appointed by the County Committee.

2.3. One named Representative of each Adult Affiliated Club in the County.

2.4. One named Representative of each of the following committees:

- Coiste Liathróid Láimhe
- Coiste na mBunscol
- Coistenah Iarbhunscoileanna

2.5. All members of the County Committee shall have voting rights.

2.6. Voting at County Committee meetings on all matters of a contentious nature shall be by secret ballot.

2.7. The quorum for meetings of the County Committee shall be one quarter of the members entitled to attend.

2.8. The Operations Manager shall be entitled to attend at County Committee Meetings, if required, but shall not be entitled to vote.

3. The Treasurer of the County Committee shall not be subject to the maximum period of office of five years as allowed per Rule 3.11 (b) Exception (2) T.O. (2021).

4. The Children's Officer of the County Committee shall not be subject to the maximum period of office of five years as allowed per Rule 3.11 (b) Exception (2) T.O. (2021).

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3. In accordance with Rule 3.20 TO (2021) the County Committee shall appoint the following subcommittees, membership of which shall be set out in these Bye-Laws with functions and duties as set out in Rule 3.20 T.O. (2021): All members of sub-committees shall be named

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5.1. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

5.1.1. The County Management Committee shall consist of the following members:

- Chairperson
- Vice-Chairperson
- Secretary
- Assistant Secretary
- Treasurer
- Assistant-Treasurer
- Planning and Training Officer (as recommended by the outgoing County Committee)
- Coaching Officer
- Hurling Officer
- Officer for Irish Language and Culture
- Public Relations Officer
- Children's Officer (as recommended by the outgoing County Committee)
- Two Provincial Council representatives
- One Central Council representative

5.1.2. All members of the County Management Committee shall have voting rights.

5.1.3. The quorum for meetings of the County Management Committee shall be five (5) members.

5.2. COMPETITIONS CONTROL COMMITTEE

5.2.1. The Competitions Control Committee shall consist of twelve (12) members:

- Chairperson
- Secretary
- Fixtures Secretary
- Youth Fixtures Secretary, as appointed by County Committee
- One Fixtures Analyst
- County Referees' Administrator

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- Six other named members appointed by County Committee (one of whom shall represent the Hurling Clubs)

5.2.2. All members of the County Competitions Control Competitions Committee shall have voting rights except the County Referees' Administrator who shall be entitled to vote only on the appointment of Referees.

5.2.3. The quorum for meetings of the County Competitions Control Committee shall be three (3) members.

5.3. FIXTURES ANALYSTS

5.3.1. Two Fixtures Analysts shall be appointed by the Management Committee.

5.4. HEARINGS COMMITTEE

5.4.1. The Hearings committee shall consist of eight (8) named members who shall be appointed from members of the County Committee and/or other suitable persons.

5.4.2. No member of the County Management Committee or Competitions Control Committee may serve as a member of the County Hearings Committee.

5.4.3. The quorum for meetings of the Hearings Committee shall be three (3) members.

5.4.4. The powers of the County Hearings shall be plenary powers.

5.4.5. Appeals against decisions of the County Hearings Committee shall be made only to the Provincial Hearings Committee.

5.5. Safety and Facilities Committee

5.5.1 It shall have six members including the County Safety and Facilities Officer who shall be Chairperson, a Qualified Event Controller. The remaining members, nominated by the Management Committee for appointment by the County Committee, should be suitably qualified in areas relevant to the terms of reference of the Committee as outlined in R. 3.20 (v) T.O. 2021.

5.6. REFEREES' ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

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5.6.1. It shall consist of seven (7) named members including the County Referees' Administrator

5.7. COACHING AND GAMES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

5.7.1. It shall consist of seven (7) named members including the County Coaching Officer (who shall act as Chairperson) and the County Games Development Manager (who shall act as Secretary) and the County Children's Officer.

5.8. CULTURAL COMMITTEE

5.8.1. It shall consist of seven (7) named members including the Officer for the Irish Language and Culture (who may act as Chairperson).

5.9. PUBLIC RELATIONS & MARKETING COMMITTEE

5.9.1. It shall consist of seven (7) named members including the County Public Relations Officer (who may act as Chairperson) and the Youth Public Relations Officer.

5.10. YOUTH COMMITTEE

5.10.1. It shall consist of seven (7) named members as follows:

- County Children's Officer (who may act as Chairperson)
- County Assistant Treasurer
- Youth Fixtures Secretary, as approved by County Committee
- Youth Public Relations Officer, as approved by County Committee
- Games Development Manager
- One Representative from affiliated Football Clubs
- One Representative from affiliated Hurling Clubs

5.11. FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE

5.11.1. It shall consist of seven (7) named members. One member shall, where possible, have an accountancy background.

5.12. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

5.12.1. It shall consist of five (5) named members including the County IT Officer (approved by County Committee and who may act as Chairperson), and other persons with IT knowledge.

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5.13. COUNTY TEAMS MANAGEMENT AND PANELS SUB-COMMITTEE

5.13.1. The membership of this Committee shall be as detailed in the Charter for County Committee/Player Relationships approved by Ard Chomhairle from time to time. (Refer to Rule 3.20 (xiii), T.O. 2021).

5.14. HEALTH AND WELL-BEING COMMITTEE

5.14.1. It shall consist of a Chairperson, Secretary, Children's Officer, and 5 additional named Members nominated by County Management Committee and appointed by the County Committee.

5.15 Planning and Training Committee

5.15.1 It shall consist of five members, the Chairperson of which shall be the County Planning and Training Officer. All members shall, upon appointment, complete the necessary training as prescribed by The National Officer Development Committee and Club and County Planning Committee.

5.16 Audit and Risk Committee

5.16.1 It shall consist of no more than five named members including a Chairperson nominated by the Management Committee and approved by the Provincial Audit and Risk Committee and up to four members nominated by the Management Committee. The Treasurer shall not be a member

6. SUB-COMMITTEES: GENERAL

In accordance with Rule 3.19(l) T.O. (2021) the County Committee shall appoint the following Sub-Committees whose powers and functions shall be as set out in these Bye-Laws:

6.1. HURLING SUB-COMMITTEE

6.1.1. Membership:

It shall consist of the following members:

- County Hurling Officer (who shall act as Chairperson);
- One named representative of the County Youth Committee;
- One named representative of each Hurling Club;
- One named representative of the Primary Schools;
- One named representative of the Post-Primary Schools.

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6.1.2. Function:

- a) It shall be responsible for matters pertaining to the promotion and development of Hurling in the County.
- b) It shall deal with matters referred to it by the County Committee and/or the County Management Committee.

6.2. TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT CENTRE SUB-COMMITTEE

6.2.1. Membership:

It shall consist of five (5) named members.

6.2.2. Function:

It shall be responsible for the management of the County Training and Development Centre and all related matters on behalf of the County Committee.

6.3. PLAYER REGISTRATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE

6.3.1. Membership:

It shall consist of a Chairperson and Secretary (nominated by the County Chairperson and appointed by the County Committee) and one named Representative of Clubs in each of the following grades of competitions, (Senior, Intermediate and Junior).

6.3.2. Function:

- a) It shall process and make recommendations to the County Committee on the eligibility of players to compete in Reserve Competitions.
- b) It shall liaise with Clubs to ensure that player registrations are recorded accurately on the Servasport/Foireann system.

6.4. PROCEDURES SUB-COMMITTEE

6.4.1. Membership:

It shall consist of former holders of the office of Chairperson of the County Committee provided that they are members of the Association, willing to serve on the Committee and not excluded by current membership of the County Management Committee. The Chairperson of the County Committee may nominate, for ratification by the County Committee, up to three (3) additional named members of the Association to the County Procedures Committee. The County Chairperson shall act as Chairperson of the County Procedures Committee.

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6.4.2. Function:

It shall advise the County Chairperson on procedural matters and advise him/her on Motions for County Convention and on such other matters as may, from time to time, be referred to it by the County Chairperson.

6.5. INCLUSION AND INTEGRATION SUB-COMMITTEE

6.5.1. Membership:

It shall consist of seven (7) named members including one (1) of the Provincial Council Representatives and a maximum of six (6) other suitable persons.

6.5.2. Function:

It shall promote the County Committee's relationship with other Gaelic Games and the wider community.

6.6. STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION AND REVIEW SUB-COMMITTEE

6.6.1. Membership:

It shall consist of eight (8) members as follows:

- Independent Chairperson (who is not a member of the County Committee)
- County Chairperson
- County Secretary
- County Treasurer
- Two additional named members of the County Committee who are not members of the County Management Committee
- Two additional named members who are not members of the County Committee

6.6.2. Function:

- a) It shall oversee the implementation of the Recommendations of the County Strategic Plan.
- b) It shall conduct a review of the implementation of the New County Strategic Plan (2015-2019) towards the end of the period of the plan, in order to facilitate continuity of the strategic planning process.

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6.7. HUMAN RESOURCES SUB-COMMITTEE

6.7.1. Membership:

It shall consist of four (4) named suitably experienced persons nominated by the County Management Committee and appointed by the County Committee.

6.7.2. Function:

It shall support the County Management Committee in managing the employment of staff employed by the County Committee to ensure compliance with the relevant employment and equality legislation and to deal with HR matters as and when they arise.

6.8. CLUB MONAGHAN SUB-COMMITTEE

6.8.1. Membership:

It shall consist of six (6) named persons including the County Treasurer.

6.8.2. Function:

It shall co-ordinate and drive all fundraising initiatives in support of County Teams and Facilities expenditure.

6.9. COUNTY TROPHIES SUB-COMMITTEE

6.9.1. Membership:

It shall consist of four (4) named persons nominated by the County Management Committee and appointed by the County Committee.

6.9.2. Function:

It shall ensure that Cups/Trophies are available and in proper condition for presentation at the conclusion of the Finals of Competitions.

6.10. COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOLS SUB-COMMITTEE

6.10.1. Membership:

It shall consist of six (6) persons as follows:

- Chairperson
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Public Relations Officer
- Games Development Manager
- Named Representative of the County Youth Committee

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6.10.2. Function:

- a) It shall promote the aims of Cumann na mBunscol.
- b) It shall organise Gaelic Games in the Primary Schools.
- c) It shall endeavour to raise the standard of Gaelic Games in the Primary Schools in accordance with National Policy.
- d) It shall forward motions to the Provincial Primary Schools Council.
- e) It shall elect a Representative to the County GAA Committee.
- f) It shall be a Sub-Committee of the County Committee.
- g) It shall have a CCC whose membership shall consist of the members of the Primary Schools Committee.
- h) Appeals against decisions of the CCC and requests for a Hearing shall be heard by the Co. Hearings Committee

6.11. COUNTY POST-PRIMARY SCHOOLS SUB-COMMITTEE

6.11.1. Membership:

It shall consist as follows:

- Chairperson (who shall be nominated by the Chairperson of the County Committee)
- Secretary
- Public Relations Officer
- Games Development Manager
- One named Representative from each Post Primary School

6.11.2. Function:

- a) It shall promote the aims of CLG in Post-Primary Schools in the County through the preservation and promotion of Gaelic Games and pastimes.
- b) It shall forward motions to the Provincial Post-Primary Schools Council and elect Representatives to the Provincial Post-Primary Schools Council.
- c) It shall elect a Representative to the County GAA Committee.
- d) It shall be a Sub-Committee of the County Committee.
- e) It shall have a CCC whose membership shall consist of the members of the Post Primary Schools Committee.
- f) Appeals against decisions of the CCC and requests for a Hearing shall be heard by the Co. Hearings Committee.

6.12. CHAMPIONSHIP CO-ORDINATING SUB-COMMITTEE

6.12.1. Membership:

It shall consist of seven (7) members as follows:

- Central Council Representative who shall act as Chairperson

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- County Assistant Secretary who shall act as Secretary County Secretary
- At least five (5) named members nominated by County Management Committee and appointed by the County Committee.

6.12.2. Function:

- a) It shall be responsible for stewarding arrangements at all Championship matches and all National Football and Hurling League games played in Monaghan.
- b) It shall arrange for recruitment and training of Match Stewards.

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7. COUNTY SUB-COMMITTEES: GENERAL

- 7.1. Unless otherwise specified in these County Bye-Laws, the County Committee shall appoint the Chairpersons and Secretaries of County Sub-Committees on the nomination of the County Chairperson.
- 7.2. The term of office of any County Sub-Committee shall be one year unless the County Committee determines a shorter term.
- 7.3. The Chairperson and Secretary of the County Committee shall be eligible to attend and participate at meetings of Sub-Committees of the County Committee with the exceptions of the County Hearings Committee and the County Competitions Control Committee (unless they have been specifically appointed to the Competitions Control Committee).

8. ATTACHMENT TO FIRST CLUB

- 8.1. A person seeking to become a member of the Association shall be restricted to joining a Club in the Catchment area of his permanent residence or a Club with which he has "Other Relevant Connection (as defined in Bye Law 8.5).
- 8.2. Permanent residence for the purposes of these Bye-Laws shall be as defined in Rule 6.3 T.O.2021.
- 8.3. The written consent of the player's parent/s or guardian/s to the application for membership must accompany the application.
- 8.4. The Competitions Control Committee (CCC) may grant permission to a member to join with a club outside his catchment area after hearing submissions from any club(s) within the catchment area of the applicant.
- 8.5. Other Relevant Connection
A member shall be regarded as having an "Other Relevant Connection" with a Catchment Area if:
 - a) A sibling of the player in question is already registered and is currently eligible to play in official competitions for the club with which the player wishes to become a member
 - b) It has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of the CCC that a strong family connection i.e. parents/guardians exists between the player and the club with which the player wishes to become a member.
- 8.6. Applications from a Member to become a member of a club outside his catchment area shall be submitted in writing to An Rúnaí Chontae on or before January 28th of each year.

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8.7. An appeal against a decision of the CCC may be made in writing by an aggrieved party to the Provincial Hearings Committee, within three days of the receipt of the notification of the decision.

9. INTER CLUB TRANSFERS

9.1. Applications for Adult Player Inter-Club Transfers within the County shall be submitted to An Rúnaí Chontae on or before January 28th each year.

9.2. Applications for Youth Members Inter-Club Transfers within the County shall be submitted to An Rúnaí Chontae on or before January 28th each year except where An Coiste Bainisti, Co Mhuineacháin, on the recommendation of the County Children's Officer, supported by the National Children's Officer, authorises the Competitions Control Committee to consider an application received at a later date.

9.3. In deciding on Inter Club Transfers for Youth Members the Competitions Control Committee shall have regard to the Ethos of the Association as set out in Rule 6.1 T.O. 2021, the current Permanent Residence of the Applicant, and any Other Relevant Connection (as defined in Bye Law 8.5) the member may have with the Club to which he wishes to transfer.

9.4. In deciding on Inter Club Transfers for Adult Players the Competitions Control Committee should only consider the request if the relevant player demonstrates that he has moved permanent residence to the catchment area of club which he wishes to transfer to or has demonstrated that he has an Other Relevant Connection (as defined in Bye Law 8.5).

9.5. CCC shall also have discretion, depending on the circumstances, to grant a transfer if the club the player is leaving has no objection notwithstanding any other provisions of these Bye-Laws.

10. The Catchment Area, as determined by the County Committee for a club, shall be a Parish.

10.1. A Parish for the purpose these Bye-Laws shall be the area within traditional Parish Boundaries heretofore recognised as the Catchment area of a Club disregarding any change in the administration of the Parish unless otherwise determined by the County Committee.

11. Grading of Clubs and Players

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11.1. All applications for Grading of Players must be

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forwarded to the Secretary of County Committee
at Annual Affiliation night which takes place in
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11.2. Two meetings will be scheduled to review applications first will take place February/March and secondly in June/July.

11.3. Grading of Clubs and Players shall be dealt with in accordance with Rule 6.20 T.O. 2021.

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