

# **Revised CCC Átha Cliath Regulations 2020.**

## **Applicable to competitions commencing between July and December 2020.**

### **General Regulations.**

1. The CCC shall organise championships, as required in both Hurling and Football at the following grades; Senior, Intermediate, Junior, Under 21 (U21 is subject to inter-county Under 20 hurling Championships) and Minor. There shall be no leagues organised in 2020. The CCC shall also organise other subsidiary Cup competitions.
2. The CCC shall make fixtures, and if necessary adjust same, provided proper (3 days /72 hours) notice is given. For all replays or back matches proper notice shall be considered to be 3 days (72 hours). Notice of fixtures shall be forwarded by email. It shall be the responsibility of clubs to check their email for fixtures. Time of delivery where fixtures are sent by email shall be in accordance with Rule 4.6(c)(iii) T.O. 2019 or as per derogation from rule allowed during Covid-19 pandemic. In the case of back matches, replays or postponements notice may also be given verbally by the CCC.
3. All games must be played as scheduled. In exceptional circumstances only, the Chairman or acting Chairman of the CCC may cancel / postpone 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. Teams' who cancel, postpone or move any fixture without first notifying the CCC, the referee and the referee's coordinator shall be subject to loss of points or elimination and a fine of €200. This will be applicable to both clubs. 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 shall 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 by 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 championship group 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. Exception: for Minor €100. A team failing to fulfil a second championship group fixture, without permission, shall also be eliminated from the competition.
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.

**9.** 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 to pay within 7 days shall incur a fine of €200 in addition to the outstanding referee's expenses.

**10.** 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 seek the points or match for their team from the CCC. Rule 6.43 T.O. 2019 refers.

**11.** 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 €200 fine, and a fine of €200 should that team lose.

**12.** All trophies must be returned to CCC prior to July 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 shall be liable for any repairs or replacements.

**13.** Teams not ready to start a match 30 minutes after the official start time shall be considered to have failed to fulfil the fixture.

**14.** In the event of a colour clash both teams shall wear their alternate jerseys (unless there is alternate agreement between the concerned clubs). In the event that there is a clash of colours with the alternate jerseys it shall be the responsibility of the teams involved to request, at least 48 hours before the game that CCC determine which team wears the first choice or the alternate jerseys. Failure to do so shall result in the imposition of a fine of €200 on the offending clubs.

**15.** 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 by the home team shall entail a fine of €200 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.

**16.** 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.

**17.** The CCC may fix back matches as it deems necessary. Such back matches may be fixed for neutral venues.

**18.** The CCC reserves the right to amend its published games calendar as it deems necessary.

**19.** 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 game or one championship game that team shall be eliminated

**20.** 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. 2019.

**21.** All knockout games shall be decided on the day i.e. a penalty competition (for goals only) shall decide the winner if the sides finish level after extra time. Rules of Specification 3.4 & 3.6 T.O. Book 2 2019 refers.

**22.** All Championship games shall be 15 a side.

**23.** For the purposes of Rules 6.21(4)(c) / 6.38 T.O. 2019 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, 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.2019 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 any fixture in that competition, that team shall not be included in any play-off and shall 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. 2019 shall then be used to separate the remaining teams in the tie. For the purposes of determining the two best 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams in a 12 team hurling championship the following shall apply in the order specified; 1. team with highest points total. 2. Best score difference. 3. Highest score. 4. Least scores conceded.

### **Football Championships**

**24.** Football championships shall be structured 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.

All-County Football Championships at Intermediate and Junior levels (as many junior levels as are required) for 2<sup>nd</sup> or lower teams in Clubs shall also be arranged based on previous year's Championship performance.

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). Pairings in round one shall be determined by open draw.

All games shall be fixed on a play or concede basis.

The top two teams of each group in all championships shall qualify for quarter-finals to be played on a knock-out basis. Draw for quarter-finals – 1<sup>st</sup> placed team in groups v 2<sup>nd</sup> placed teams in groups (Group A v. B, C v. D). In quarter-finals group winners shall be entitled to home advantage (exception Senior 1 and 2). All Semi-finals shall also be drawn by open draw.

Promotion or Relegation shall not apply to or from any Championship played in 2020.

A team failing to fulfil a championship group fixture shall be fined €200 and forfeit the points to their opponents. A team failing to fulfil a second championship group fixture or a knockout championship fixture shall be eliminated from the competition and fined €200.

**25.** 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).

**26.** 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. A team winning a lower grade of championship will automatically be promoted to the next highest grade the following year.

**27.** Minor Football Championship shall be run on a round robin qualifying basis (Rule 6.21 T.O. 2019 to apply). All games shall be fixed on a play or concede basis.

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

29. In the event that a dual playing member of a football team which qualifies for a championship semi-final is also a member of a team which qualifies for a SHC A, SHC B or IHC Final the CCC shall schedule the semi-final of the football championship at least six days after the hurling championship final.

## **Hurling Championships**

30. All adult Hurling Championships shall be played on a Round robin format. In SHC A 16 entries shall be divided into 4 groups of 4 teams each to play a round robin league competition. Pairings in round one shall be determined by open draw.

The top two teams in each group to qualify for the quarter-finals, Draw for quarter-finals – 1<sup>st</sup> placed team in groups' v 2<sup>nd</sup> placed teams in groups (Group A v. B, C v. D). Open draw for semi-final. Promotion or Relegation shall not apply to or from any Championship played in 2020.

SHC B to JHC E inclusive shall be arranged on a round robin basis. Twelve teams drawn into three groups of four. Top two teams in each group qualify for quarter-finals plus the two best 3<sup>rd</sup> placed teams. The two best 3<sup>rd</sup> placed teams to be determined in the following manner and in the following order; 1. Most points. 2. Best score difference. 3. Highest score. 4. Conceded least. Quarter-finals shall be drawn by open draw. Group winners shall be entitled to home advantage unless drawn against another group winner in which case home advantage shall be decided by a toss of a coin.

JHC F and JHC G (10 team championships) shall each be drawn into two groups of five teams. The top two teams in each group shall qualify for semi-finals.

31. 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. All games shall be fixed on a play or concede basis.

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

33. 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. A team winning a lower grade Championship shall automatically be promoted to the next higher grade the following year.

34. 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 relegated by CCC. (Penalty for breach of this regulation: Team loss of match. Player 4 week's suspension).

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

36. A team failing to fulfil a championship group fixture shall be fined €200 and forfeit the points to their opponents. A team failing to fulfil a second championship group fixture or a knockout championship fixture or a championship relegation fixture shall be eliminated from the competition and automatically relegated to the next lowest championship and fined €200.

## **Football and Hurling Championship Match Regulations.**

*Championship Match Regulations are subject to any Covid-19 restrictions in place at the time of a match.*

37. 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). Lists shall not exceed 30 names.

- 38.** 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).
- 39.** The number of Club Officials allowed entry to a Ground / Dressing Room shall be 7 (seven). (€200 fine).
- 40.** 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. For games in Parnell Park bibs supplied by CCC shall be used. Other bibs are not permitted in Parnell Park. 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).
- 41.** Players must be numbered exactly in accordance with the published match programme. (€200 fine).
- 42.** There shall be uniformity in colour of shorts and socks. (€100fine).
- 43.** Teams will be allowed access to the pitch where possible 15 (fifteen) minutes immediately prior to the commencement of their game. (€200 fine).
- 44.** Players / substitutes are not permitted to have a kick / puck about on the pitch at half time. (€200 fine).
- 45.** 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).
- 46.** Officials and players shall not urinate in any open public area on or around a pitch before or during a game. (€300 fine).
- 47.** 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).
- 48.** The onus is on each club to ensure that their members are aware of, and adhere to, these regulations.
- 49.** The penalties outlined after each championship match regulation above are minimum penalties.
- 50.** 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.
- 51.** The C.C.C. shall be authorised to appoint Match Monitors to report breaches of the above Championship Match Regulations.
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**52:** 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 is 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](http://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](http://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.