

# Match Day Regulations



**Introduction:** These Regulations have been drawn up by Choiste Cheannais na gComortaisí An Mhí and approved by Coiste Bainistí in accordance with Rialail 3.20 and Rules of Control, Official Guide 2022 Cuid II.

The County Competitions Control Committee (CCCC) 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.

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**Sideline Official/Match Monitor** - A Sideline Official may be appointed by the CCC and it shall be their duty to report any breaches of these Regulations.

The CCC may also appoint a Match Monitor who shall be responsible for any duties assigned. The Sideline Official shall 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 per Rule 1.6, Rules of Control, T.O. 2022 Cuid II but any errors or omissions in respect of this shall not invalidate the Report as a whole.

The CCC may also impose penalties for breaches of the Regulations brought to its attention by members of the CCC, Match Day Stewards, or the Management Committee.

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

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## 1. Ground/Pitch Regulations

**1.1** Ground Regulations shall apply to all venues considered suitable for club competitions. They shall include procedures for entry to each ground, designated areas for substitutes and Team Officials and shall either be communicated to Teams in advance – or on the Day by the Match Day Stewards.

**1.2** Only a maximum of 30 players shall be allowed within the pitch enclosure during the playing of the game (unless otherwise directed by CCCC An Mhí).

**1.3** A maximum of seven Team Officials shall be allowed within the pitch enclosure during the playing of our games.

- **One Bainisteoir**
- **One Selector**
- **Two Medics**
- **One Club Official**
- **Two Maor Uisce/Camán**

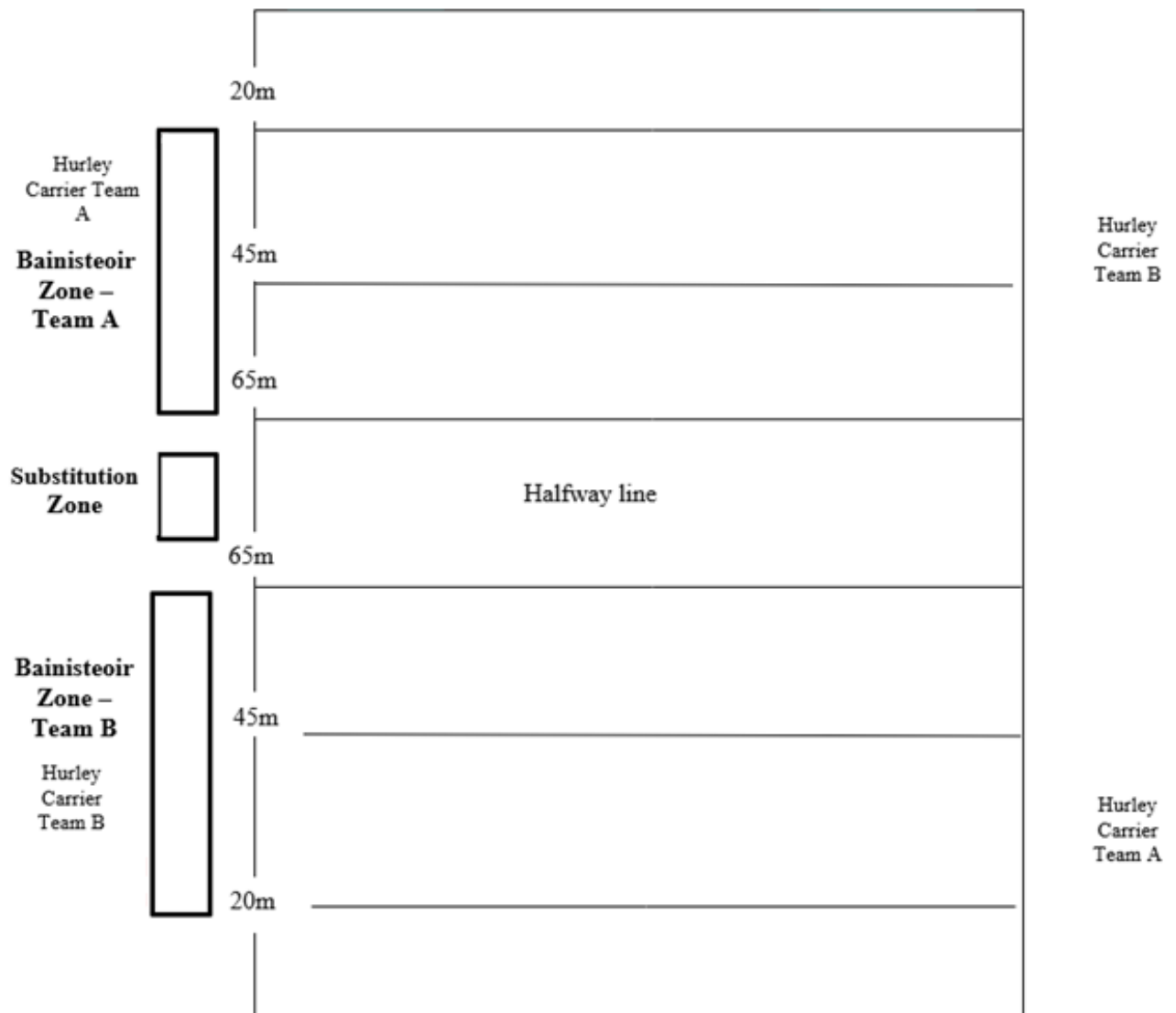
**1.4** A maximum of 3 including the Bainisteoir, One Selector, and One Medic may be in the Bainisteoir Zone, with all other players and officials in the designated area/dugout.

**1.5** Where the National Anthem precedes a game, Teams shall stand to attention respectfully facing the flag; helmets must not be worn for Amhrán na bhFiann, for the parade or in team photographs.

**1.6** Children are not allowed into playing enclosure, dressing room area, tunnels, sidelines or dugouts. Note; Referees have been instructed not to commence a game if this is not observed

**1.7** Players shall be numbered in accordance with the Official Programme

**1.8** Pitch Layout



## 2. Game Regulations

**2.1** The Referee is in overall charge of Game Regulations and shall delegate authority to his Linesmen & Sideline Official; they 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 breach of these Regulations to the stand/outside the pitch enclosure and such person cannot be replaced.***

**2.2** All Team Officials in the designated areas must be named on the Official list (template on Foireann) given to the Referee and may include: Bainisteoir, Selector(s), Medics, Maor Uisce/Camán and Club Official.

**2.3 Club Official** - Game and Ground regulations apply to all players and officials and adherence to the regulations is the responsibility of the Club Official. The Club Official and Bainisteoir shares the responsibility of ensuring that Game Regulations are respected by players and members of team management. The Club Official/Runai shall also have the responsibility for preparing substitutions slips.

**2.4 Bainisteoir** - The Bainisteoir shall wear a designated distinctive top and is not permitted to enter the field of play. They may move along the sideline between the two 20m lines as per the "Pitch Layout" on Page 2 of these Regulations. The Bainisteoir may not act in any other capacity.

**2.5 Maor Fóirne** - The Maor Fóirne is no longer allowed under rule. Any unauthorised incursions onto the field of play will be dealt with under Rial 7.2 TO 2022.

**2.6 Selectors** – Selectors must remain in their designated areas as directed by the Match Day Stewards and do not have permission to stand or move along the sideline.

**2.7 Medics** – A maximum of two Medical personnel shall be identified on the Official Team list and shall sit in the areas designated in Ground Regulations or as directed by the Match Day Stewards; they shall wear clear identification and may only enter the field of play to attend to an injured player(s). Selectors/Coaches cannot act as a medical person, without advance approval from the Committee in Charge. Medical personnel while performing their duties are required to wear PPE.

### **2.8 Maor Uisce/Camán (Hurley Carriers)**

Two Maor Uisce/Caman who must be over 18 years of age, are permitted per team; they may not enter the field of play. Each must wear an official bib (Football: Purple or Green | Hurling: Brown or Lilac) and will be situated as per the "Pitch Layout" on Page 2 of these Regulations, and at least two metres from the sideline.

Official team personnel (Selectors/Coaches), substitutes, injured players or members of the extended panel may not act as Maor Uisce. In the event that any official team personnel, injured player or a member of the extended panel act as a Maor Uisce/Caman, any breach of rule shall be considered as a Misconduct at Games by Team Officials infraction.

Maor Uisce/Caman are not permitted to have/use Communications devices i.e. walkie talkies.

In Hurling the Maor Uisce/Caman will also act as Hurley Carriers & may enter the field of play with a replacement hurley when necessary. Maor Camán is not allowed to carry water into the players and may enter the field of play only with a replacement hurley when necessary.

Any unauthorised incursions onto the field of play will be dealt with under Riail 7.2 2021.

**2.9 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 the sidelines at any one time on their designated half of the field.

**2.10 Sliotars/Footballs** - Any sliotars/footballs not officially approved and displaying the official GAA stamp shall not be used. Breaches shall be brought to the attention of the Referee.

**2.11 Late Fielding** - A team taking the field late before a game shall be subject to the penalties outlined in Rule 6.44 T.O. 2022; a team responsible for a half time interval being exceeded shall be subject to penalties outlined in Rule 6.44, T.O. 2022 and 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, T.O. 2022.

**2.12 Distinctive Tops** – If not wearing the official bib, the distinctive tops as listed above concerning the Bainisteoir shall not clash with the main colour of either team.

**2.13 Matters not provided for** – Matters not specifically provided for in these regulations shall be dealt with by the referee and his team of officials on the day, and then the CCC when reported via either the Referee, Sideline Official or Match Monitor, or via Match Day Stewards.

**2.14 Extra Time & Winner on the Day** - Regulations governing the playing of Extra Time are outlined in Rule 2.5, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6 & 3.7, Rules of Specification, T.O. 2022 Cuid II.

**2.15 Match Day Stewards** will be clearly identifiable by the wearing of appropriately coloured bibs. The Match Day Stewards are under the control of the Event Co-Ordinator and act on his/her behalf. The instructions of Match Day Stewards must be followed at all times. Failure to comply with the instructions of Match Day Stewards will deem to be a breach of these Match Regulations and sanctioned accordingly

### 3. Penalties

**3.1** Penalties for breaches of Ground/Pitch/Game Regulations shall be at the discretion of the CCC. These may include warnings, fines, the withdrawal of sideline privileges for individuals as outlined in Part 2 of these regulations or suspension of individuals as considered appropriate.

**3.2** The **Referee** has the authority during the game to send any person in breach of these Regulations to the stand/outside the pitch enclosure and such person cannot be replaced.

**3.3** Where Bainisteoir sideline privileges have been withdrawn the Bainisteoir will be confined to a designated area as decided on by the CCC.

**3.4** The frequency and gravity of reported breaches in each game shall be taken into account by the CCC and may lead to next match penalties.

**3.5** The provisions of Riail 7.2 T.O. 2022 concerning Misconduct at Games by Team Officials shall apply.

**3.6** Any unauthorised incursions onto the field of play will be dealt with under Riail 7.2, T.O, 2022.

### 4. General

**4.1** All Clubs please ensure your grounds are well presented for the forthcoming championship games i.e. Dressing Rooms, Referee's Room must be clean and tidy and where possible, a Scoreboard should be in operation.

**4.2** Adequate parking should be provided for referee and their officials, especially where there are double headers.

**4.3** For all finals in Páirc Tailteann, the Captain will be the only member of the winning team allowed up to the Presentation area on the stand, except for the Senior Finals, where the player receiving the "Man of the Match Award" will also be allowed. This is to allow enough space for photos with our sponsors and for presentation of the Cup. The rest of team will be allowed up for the Captain's speech.

**4.4** No mascots will be allowed.

**4.5** It is the function of the Club Secretary and Chairperson to ensure all players and mentors are aware of the regulations, and to help enforce them.

**4.6** For games when programmes/handouts are requested, Teams must be registered with PR Committee not later than 12.00 Noon on the Wednesday before a weekend game.