

COISTE NA NÓG CHILL MHANTÁIN

Underage Rules & Regulations 2023

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Coiste na nÓg Chill Mhantáin is mindful of the GAA Give Respect Get Respect Campaign and has drawn up these **Rules & Regulations** for the benefit off all stakeholders - Players, Referees, Coaches, Parents, Officials , Media Members and Spectators.

Playing of Our Underage Games 2023

A “play or forfeit policy” will be introduced to improve the number of games played in 2023.

1. A genuine effort must be made to play all games on the original dates as fixed by Coiste na nÓg. If an official fixture needs to be changed in advance and an alternative date cannot be agreed between both clubs for this game to take place before the original fixture. The Club seeking the change is asked to contact the fixtures secretary who will make a final decision on this fixture in consultation with the Coiste na nÓg Executive Committee.
2. No request for a fixture change will be considered inside a 48hr period of the scheduled throw-in unless if necessary in extreme circumstances.
3. Clubs are asked to engage in forward planning with their fixtures programme in relation to Communion, Confirmations etc. If any league or Championship fixture that is identified and needs to be brought forward to an advanced date, please agree with the other team concerned and immediately contact the fixtures secretary for approval.
4. The responsibility falls on the club who is requesting a change to agree to the date offered by opposing club (recommendation to take place on teams training night) if this is not agreeable, points forfeited by club unable to fulfil original fixture.
5. **Clubs do not have the authority to postpone an Official Coiste na nÓg fixture.**
6. The dates for Finals are set in the Master Fixtures calendar along with all other 2023 fixtures.
7. The Juvenile fixtures executive committee decision is final on all fixture related issues.

Combined Football & Hurling Weeks

As opposed to one week on, one week off for each code, the 2023 programme will be of mixed codes as outlined below:

- This will allow mixed code clubs to play a game every week (where players play up an age)
- It may also encourage clubs to enter second teams of younger ages in lower divisions
- It will provide a more regular games programme for all players

Week 1	Monday	Wednesday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	U10/ U13 /U17 H	U11/U15 F	U7/U9/U12, F	U7/9 F	U14 F
Week 2	Monday	Wednesday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	U10/U13/U17 F	U11/U15 H	U7/U9/U12, H		U14 H

- No challenge match or outside competition can interfere with any official county fixture.
- No other games or activity can interfere with any official development squad Game or coaching or likewise will any GCA activity interfere with any official Fixture.

Rules by age group for 2023

AGE	Code	Total Number of Games in 2023	Playing Rules 2023
U7	Football	9 Go Games Blitzes	As per Go Games Policy Rules & Regulations
U7	Hurling	9 Go Games Blitzes	As per Go Games Policy Rules & Regulations
U9	Football	9 Go Games Blitzes	As per Go Games Policy Rules & Regulations
U9	Hurling	9 Go Games Blitzes	As per Go Games Policy Rules & Regulations
U10	Football	Player Pathway league Maximum 6 Games – one game per month April – September Teams are 9/10 aside	Games are 20 minutes per half. Quick Touch Football . Portable goalpost on the 20m line and side line brought in 10m on each side. Clubs are divided into groups as this is an optional invite only competition . Unlimited substitutions allowed during a game. Kick outs from the hand. Two plays of the ball for all players when in possession. This is reflected by one bounce and one toe tap or two toe taps. Scoring System - 1pt for a GOAL & 3pts for a POINT
U10	Hurling	Player Pathway league Maximum 6 Games – one game per month April – September Teams are 9/10 aside	Games are 20 minutes per half. Quick Touch Sliotar . Portable goalpost on the 20m line and side line brought in 10m on each side. Clubs divided into groups as this is an optional invite only competition . Unlimited substitutions allowed during a game. All players are allowed to solo only 15 meters with the sliotar in any one solo run. Scoring System - 1pt for a GOAL & 3pts for a POINT
U11	Football	Mini Leagues 13 Games and each team will play in a blitz in Ballinakill on last Rd/Day. Group 1 11 aside Group 2 11 aside Group 3 9/11 aside Group 4 9/11 aside Group 5 9/11 aside	Games are 25 minutes per half. Smart Touch Football . Portable goalpost on the 20m line and side line brought in 10m on each side. Clubs divided into groups. Clubs with multiple teams will be grouped in other divisions. And will be playing at different locations on the same night. Unlimited substitutions allowed during a game. Kick outs from the hand. Two plays of the ball for all players when in possession. This is reflected by one bounce and one toe tap or two toe taps. Early season games fixed with more local opposition to avoid travel if possible. Blitz on last round Scoring System - 1pt for a GOAL & 3pts for a POINT
U11	Hurling	Mini Leagues 13 Games and each team will play in a blitz in Ballinakill on last Rd/Day. Group 1 11 aside Group 2 9/11 aside	Games are 25 minutes per half. Smart Touch Sliotar . Portable goalpost on the 20m line and side line brought in 10m on each side. Clubs divided into two divisions. Unlimited substitutions allowed during a game. All players are allowed to solo only 15 meters with the sliotar in any one solo run. Early season games fixed with more local opposition to avoid travel. Scoring System - 1pt for a GOAL & 3pts for a POINT
U12	Football	Player Pathway league Maximum 6 Games – one game per month April – September All teams 9 – 12 aside	Games are 25 minutes per half. Size 4 Football . Portable goalpost on the 20m line and side line brought in 10m on each side. Clubs divided into groups as this is an optional invite only competition . Unlimited substitutions allowed during a game. Kick outs from the hand. Two plays of the ball for all players when in possession. This is reflected by one bounce and one toe tap or two toe taps. Scoring System as normal rules for Goals & Points (No penalty or square ball)
U12	Hurling	Player Pathway league Maximum 6 Games – one game per month April – September All teams 9- 12 aside	Games are 25 minutes per half. Smart Touch Sliotar . Portable goalpost on the 20m line and side line brought in 10m on each side. Clubs divided into groups as this is an optional invite only competition . Unlimited substitutions allowed during a game. All players are allowed to solo only 15 meters with the sliotar in any one solo run. Scoring System as per normal rules for Goals & Points (No penalty or square ball)

U13	Football	16 games provided between League & Championship. Group 1 13 aside Group 2 13 aside Group 3 11/13 aside Group 4 11/13 aside Group 5 11/13 aside	Games are 30 minutes per half, Size 4 Football . Two plays of the ball for all players when in possession. This is reflected by one bounce and one toe tap or two toe taps. All kick outs from the hand. No Mark allowed . Portable goals are now on the 13m line with full pitch width. Unlimited substitutions allowed during a game. (No penalty or square ball) Early season games fixed with more local opposition to avoid travel
U13	Hurling	16 games provided between League & Championship. Group 1 13 aside Group 2 11/13 aside	Games are 30 minutes per half. Size 4 Sliotar , Unlimited substitutions allowed during a game. All players are allowed to solo only 15 meters with the sliotar in any one solo run. Portable goals are now on the 13m line with full pitch width. (No penalty or square ball) Early season games fixed with more local opposition to avoid travel
U14	Football	Player Pathway League One Game per month Maximum 6 Games April – September All teams 11/14 aside	Games 30 minutes per half. Size 4 Football . All Kick outs taken from the hands on 20m line. Two plays of the ball for all players when in possession. This is reflected by one bounce and one toe tap or two toe taps. All Kick outs from the ground. Unlimited substitutions allowed during a game. Clubs divided into groups as this is an optional invite only competition . Scoring System as per normal rules for Goals & Points
U14	Hurling	Player Pathway League One Game per month – maximum 6 Games April – September All teams 11/14 aside	Games 30 minutes per half. Size 4 Sliotar . All players are allowed unlimited soloing opportunities with the sliotar in any one solo run. Unlimited substitutions allowed during a game. Clubs divided into groups as this is an optional invite only competition . Scoring System as per normal rules for Goals & Points.
U15	Football	16 games provided between League & Championship. Group 1 15 aside Group 2 13/15 aside Group 3 13/15 aside Group 4 12/15 aside Feile Peil na nOg X 4 Games Groups 1,2,3 are 15 aside Groups 4/5 are 13/15 aside	Games are 30 minutes per half. Size 4 Football Full Rules apply. All Kick outs from the ground. Unlimited substitutions allowed during a game. Early season games fixed with more local opposition to avoid travel where possible.
U15	Hurling	16 games provided between League & Championship. All teams 13/15 aside Feile na Gael X 4 Games Group 1 15 aside Group 2 13/15 aside	Games are 30 minutes per half. Size 4 Sliotar , All players are allowed unlimited soloing opportunities with the sliotar in any one solo run. Unlimited substitutions allowed during a game. Early season games fixed with more local opposition to avoid travel where possible.
U17	Football	Player Pathway League 5 Games All Teams 11/15 aside	Games are 30 minutes per half. Size 5 Football . Full rules apply. Unlimited substitutions allowed during a game. This Player Pathway league is for all players not on the County Minor H & F Panels Clubs divided into groups as this is an optional invite only competition .
U17	Football	Minimum 12 games provided between League /Championship. Group 1 15 aside Group 2/3 are 12/15 aside	Games are 30 minutes per half. Size 5 Football . Full rules apply. (Scoring difference rule apply)
U17	Hurling	Player Pathway League 5 Games All Teams 11/15 aside	Games are 30 minutes per half. Senior Sliotar . Full rules apply. This Player Pathway league is for all players not on the County Minor H & F Panels. Clubs divided into groups as this is an optional invite only competition .
U17	Hurling	10/12 games provided between League & Championship. All Teams 13/15 aside	Games are 30 minutes per half. Senior Sliotar . Full rules apply. (Scoring difference rule apply)

The Competitions Control Committee shall in compliance with the Official Guide, County Bye-Laws and Annual County Regulations be given power herewith to.

Implement the following in Underage Fixtures 2023

1. Coiste na nÓg will have full control to arrange all **Underage Fixtures to include fixing venues for any game and Appointment of Referees.**
2. The first named team has home venue. But if venue is not available, the game must be played at a neutral venue or the opponent's venue if a neutral venue cannot be found.
3. All fixture queries must be addressed to: juvenile fixtures coordinator Jackie Kinch **087/6623124**
jackie.kinch.gpo.wicklow@gaa.ie
4. **Any club who has a player sent off must seek clarification of the player's status by contacting the CCC. The onus is on the club to make contact when seeking this clarification.**
5. Clubs (Players/mentors/parents/supporters) that abuse match officials will be dealt with by the CCC on the back of the Referee's report.
6. **All Coaches/Mentors must wear the Official Give Respect, Get Respect Bibs in 2023**
A person who is wearing a bib on the side-line is deemed to be a mentor.
7. Coiste na nÓg fixtures committee will decide on the appropriate Divisions/Groups for League and Championships for all clubs.
8. In the event of a clash of Colours the home team must change unless an agreement exists between both clubs.
9. The mark is in place from U15 to Minor only
10. For the two Play rule at **U13 Football only** it will be implemented as follows: Two plays of the ball for all players when in possession. This is reflected by one bounce and one toe tap or two toe taps.
11. Unlimited Substitutions are allowed in all League & Championship games from U15 Down. Minor League/Championship will only allow 5 Substitutions as per Official Guide (PPL unlimited subs can be used)
12. Sin Bin/Black Card in Place from U13 Football – Minor Football Inclusive
13. **If a Mentor/Coach is reported for abuse of a referee the club/team involved will lose their next home venue in the same age group or an alternative venue may be organised.**
14. All group teams to confirm home venue for all fixtures by contacting the fixtures secretary, especially if there is a late venue change as referee & opposition will need to be notified.

15. All teams should wear properly numbered jerseys and dress uniformly matching shorts and socks

16. Coiste na nÓg fixtures may be fixed to be played under lights and/or on all-weather/astro turf surfaces if required to complete the fixtures programme.

17. If the home team's pitch is unplayable the fixture must be played at opponent's venue if playable otherwise a neutral venue.

18. Coiste na nÓg may decide to play some games at a neutral venue to reduce the travel time for both clubs when needed but depending on the availability of Ballinacill at this time.

19. For all group games in league and championship it is intended to have even numbers in groups where possible to avoid a bye round. This is to ensure that every team has a regular game.

20. Only correspondence from Club juvenile secretary will be dealt with. Contact by coaches or managers of teams will not be entertained or replied to.

21. Clubs who enter but withdraw from a competition prior to commencement of the competition or during a competition will be fined €150

22. Rule 6.8 In the case of a team having five or more players on permission Rule, the team shall play under and be recognised by the combined names of the Clubs in question or by an Independent name which shall not bear the name of an Adult Club within the County.

23. If a club is disqualified or withdraws during the course of the league/championship its games shall stand and its un played games shall be awarded to the opposing teams.

24. Teams must be on the pitch, properly attired and ready to commence game at the appointed time

25. There will be extra time in Championship semi-finals & finals if necessary. Extra time will be two period of ten minutes per half. If teams still level, two further five minutes will be played. If a draw still results, then the game shall be replayed. Failure to field for extra time shall result in the team being removed from the competition.

26. Clubs entering two or more teams in Leagues must provide a full list of graded players this must be sent to Coiste na nÓg secretary by **Monday 13th March** on the Official Player Grading Declaration form 2023. All revised lists for the Championship must be sent in by **Monday 5th June** if necessary, if there is no revised list provided by this date the first list will be used.

27. No Cancellation of Games if players or coaches are missing or conflicting with other sports.

28. If any clubs are playing in competitions outside the county permission must be granted, **ALL Wicklow GAA Fixtures must take precedence over any other fixture.**

29. Girls may participate only up to and including the under 12 age grade only.

Walkovers

If a walkover is given on the day of a game, there will be a €50 fine
League

1. ONE Walk over - lose 2pts and lose home advantage for next home fixture.
2. TWO Walkovers – forfeit all home fixtures going forward for remainder of league
3. THREE Walkovers – Teams can no longer take part in the competition

Championship

1. The Penalties for a club failing to fulfil a championship game shall be as follows:
 - (a) In a “Knock out” Game – the club shall be disqualified from the championship and the Game Awarded to the Opposing Team
 - (b) In a “League Stage” of a Championship (i) For a first failure – the game shall be awarded to the opposing team, but without disqualification, subject to the condition below.
 - (ii) If in the opinion of the Committee in charge, the failure to field was for an ulterior purpose. Affecting the position(s) of other club(s), the defaulting club may, at the discretion of the committee, be disqualified from the championship.
 - (iii) For a second failure – a club shall be disqualified from the Championship and the game award to the opposition. **Note:** If a team travels with reduced numbers & concedes the points before the games this is not classed as a Walkover as the club have made an effort to try and play a game.

OFFICIAL GAA Team Sheets/Lists

1. Team sheet must be produced before all games during 2023 on official Coiste na nÓg lists or from the Foireann system.
2. Clubs are asked to use the Official Coiste na nÓg teams list as send to all clubs. Team lists will be required from U11 – Minor inclusive for all League and Championship games to include player’s and coache’s name in English & Irish, and Registration Numbers.
3. The CCC shall have the power to investigate the constitution of any team at any time.
4. **Failure to issue team sheets will see clubs/teams fined €20**
5. All Juvenile clubs must pay the Referee €20 on producing their team list before each game commences. If this does not happen the game will not start.
6. Substitution slips must be issued to the Referee for all minor games only.
7. Substitutes must enter the field from the half way line during a break in play and when signalled by the referee. All players participating must be on the Official team list.
8. For Clubs affiliating two or more teams at U11 a list of 8 players must be submitted prior to competition commencing. The nominated players on this list shall be deemed to be graded to play in the higher group and will be ineligible to play in the lower groups. For U13 a list of 11 players and U15/U17 age group a list of 15 players respectively must be submitted before the start of competition if any club has more than one team taking part. Official Panels lists will be shared by Coiste na nÓg with all clubs before competition commences.
9. **For Clubs that are entering two or more team’s players nominated on Team 1 cannot play on the 2nd or 3rd teams. But players from team 2 and team 3 can move up and down during the league if needed. If you move up during the year from a lower team you are still eligible to play on the lower team when required in league but not in championship. You can only play for one team in the championship.**

Presentation of Games / Pitches

1. All Club pitches arranged for games must be marked out lined and flagged, grass cut, nets up etc.
2. All pitches are required to have required official size portable goals (with nets) any clubs that don't have the Official Portable goals will have to concede home advantage.

Player Eligibility

Under no circumstance is any club allowed to play overage or underage players in an official game or challenge game.

All players must be under 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, and 11 years respectively on 1st January of the current year of competition.

If a team has an issue about the eligibility of an opposing player the mentor should ask the referee to:

1. Take the name of the player.
2. Get the signature from the player.
3. Get the player's date of birth.
4. Request the referee to report this to CCC
5. Issues of registration can only be dealt with by written request to GAA OFFICE in Ballinakill Centre of Excellence from the club secretary with the query.

Age Grades 2023

1. Adult: - Club Be Over 17 years
2. Inter-County Be Over 18 years
3. Under 21: - Club Be Under 21 years and Over 16 years
4. Inter-County Hurling Be Under 21 years and Over 18 years
5. Under 20: - Inter-County Football Be Under 20 years and Over 18 years
6. U17 – A player shall have celebrated his 13th birthday prior to 1st January and his 17th birthday on or after 1st January of the Championship year.
7. U15 – A player shall have celebrated his 11th birthday prior to 1st January and his 15th birthday on or after 1st January of the Championship year.
8. U13 – A player shall have celebrated his 9th birthday prior to 1st January and his 13th birthday on or after 1st January of the Championship year.
9. U11 – A player shall have celebrated his 8th birthday prior to 1st January and his 11th birthday on or after 1st January of the Championship year.

To be "Under" an age shall mean that the player shall celebrate the Upper Limit birthday (e.g. 21st. for Under 21 Grade) on the 1st. January of the Championship Year or on a later date. To be "Over" an age shall mean that the player shall have celebrated the Lower Limit birthday (e.g. 17th. to participate in Adult Grades (Club)) prior to the 1st. January of the Championship Year. Adult shall include Senior, Intermediate and Junior Grades

Penalties: For Breach of Upper Age Limit: (i) Team Penalty: On a Proven Objection – Award of Game to Opposing Team. On an Inquiry by the Committee-in-Charge - Forfeiture of Game without Award to the Opposing Team. (ii) Player: For breach in Under 16 or Younger Grades – 4 weeks Suspension. For breach in Minor or Under 21 Grades – 24 weeks Suspension. (iii) Person(s)-in-Charge of the Team in which the breach is committed – 48 weeks Suspension. (iv) Chairperson and Secretary of a Club: For breach in Minor or Under 21 Grades – 48 weeks Suspension. **For Breach of Lower Age Limit:** (i) Team Penalty: On a Proven Objection – Award of Game to Opposing Team. On an Inquiry by the Committee-in-Charge – Forfeiture of Game without Award to the Opposing Team. (ii) Player: For breach in any Grade – 2 weeks Suspension. (iii) Person(s)-in-Charge of the Team in which the breach is committed – 8 weeks Suspension.

1. Where **necessary** in lower divisions a minimum of **11/13 aside can be played**. Both teams must play equal numbers and the **MAXIMUM** number available to both teams must be played e.g. if both sides have 14 then **NO** players are to be held back as substitutes.
2. Where teams are playing with reduced numbers i.e. 11 to 13 aside and a team (that has no substitutes available) loses a player through injury, **the other team is required to take off a player in the interest of sportsmanship and fair play**, but not for a sending off or black card.

Referees

Referee's fees for 2023 are as Follows:

1. Under 7 and 9 blitzes are €20 per referee (Payable by host Club)
2. U/11 blitzes/Games €20 per referee (Payable by both Clubs)
3. Under 13 – Minor €20 per team
4. Where the appointed referee fails to attend, both teams have the option to referee once it's an official referee. This can be done by agreement or a toss of a coin.
5. Any injuries sustained during a game must be reported to the referee so he/she can include in their match report. **The onus is on the club to report these injuries to the referee.**
6. **Go Games Referees** can only referee under 7 and 9 games and Official referees must referee from U11 – Minor in Hurling & Football. Any coach or person who has completed the U11 Rules workshop can also referee at the U11 age grade.
7. Respect must be shown at all times to the Referee and their decision is final.
8. Zero Tolerance in abuse or intimidation of referees will be enforced by our referee coordinator in 2023 and suspensions will be followed up where necessary with each club.

Declaring winners of Leagues/Championships

1. Top team in each division wins' league (No Final)
2. If more than two teams end up on equal points a playoff must be played. As scoring difference does not apply to our Coiste na nÓg games programme from U15 (inclusive) Downwards and score difference SHALL apply in both Minor Hurling & Football Championships agreed by clubs at Coiste na nÓg meeting on 22/2/2023.
3. A Playoff. If two teams are involved, this will involve a straight play-off. If three or more teams are involved, Coiste na ng will arrange the playoff as necessary e.g. if it is three teams, the three go into a draw first team out will go straight into the playoff final while the other two teams play each other to see who will play the first team draw out in the playoff final. Games will be 15 minutes per half. Or placings can be decided if an agreement can be reached between all clubs concerned and the Fixtures Secretary.

Tournaments/Blitzes and Challenge Games

1. All Tournaments/Blitzes and Challenge games inside side and outside the county must be sanctioned by the appropriate controlling authority Coiste na nÓg/County Board or Coaching and Games Development, (application must be made within seven days prior to the commencement date and must be submitted through the **Official Microsoft Wicklow GAA Challenge games request form LINK** from Chris Magee O Connor County Secretary GAA office Ballinakill Centre of Excellence) It is important for clubs to be aware that all competitions or tournaments must be sanctioned by county board for insurance purposes. This is for mandatory compliance for in 2023 otherwise players are not covered. If inviting teams from outside the county permission must be sanctioned from that provincial council.

Match Notification

1. Notification of games shall be by way of (A) The Wicklow G.A.A Website. www.officalwicklowgaa.com (B) The Wicklow/Bray People newspapers. (C) All fixtures will be emailed and updated to each club Secretary every Sunday night in advance using the official club juvenile email address only.

Results

1. Results for all competitions/games must be returned via Text to Jackie Kinch **087/6623124** immediately after the game so the servasport system can be updated. The onus is on the Referee and home club to return the results on time.

Use of Video

1. The use of video at all matches is subject to the club obtaining permission from the County Board and the original video must be made available to CCC if Requested

Child Safeguarding /Code of Best Practice

1. CCC and Wicklow County Board fully support the GAA Code of Best Practice. We expect all clubs and mentors to adopt the GAA Code of Behaviour. We shall take all practical steps to protect our young players from discernible forms of abuse, from harm, discrimination or degrading treatment and shall respect their rights, wishes and feelings.
2. The full GAA code of Best Practice is available to download and view at www.gaa.ie The Irish Sports Council / GAA Code of Best Practice in Youth Sport Courses are available and expected to be completed by all mentors working with children. Courses can be arranged for clubs by contacting county children Officer Frances Stephenson on Mobile: 087-2499362 Email: childrensofficer.wicklow@gaa.ie

Give Respect Get Respect

1. **Give Respect – Get Respect** is an awareness campaign that seeks to ensure that Gaelic Games are promoted and played in a positive, fair and enjoyable manner and where Players, Coaches, Spectators and Referees Give Respect – Get Respect from each other. The RESPECT campaign applies at all levels and amongst all players regardless of age, competition or ability. The key participants in the Give Respect – Get Respect campaign are not just the Players themselves but Coaches, Clubs, Parents, Referees and Supporters.
2. The Give Respect – Get Respect initiative is supported by the GAA, Ladies Gaelic Football Association, the Camogie Association, GAA Handball Ireland and the Rounders Council of Ireland
3. **AS PART OF THE GIVE RESPECT GET RESPECT PROGRAMME FOR ALL JUVENILES FROM U7 – Minor ALL PLAYERS WILL LINE UP AND SHAKE HANDS WITH THEIR OPPONENTS, REFEREE AND COACHES PRIOR TO THE TOSS WITH CAPTAINS. WHEN THE TOSS IS MADE PLAYERS THEN GO INTO THEIR POSITIONS.**

Garda Vetting

1. All Mentors/Coaches and Team Officials must be Garda Vetted in line with National GAA policy. Contact County children officer Francis Stephenson (details above) if you require further information. (The GAA Vetting System is now part of Foireann and all coaches must apply to be vetted) **You are breaking the law if your coaches are not Garda Vetted. Garda vetting only lasts for 3 YEARS.**

Coaching Qualifications

1. All club coaches must have a relevant GAA coaching qualification to coach. It's the responsibility of all clubs to ensure best practice is adhered to. Please see **2023 Coach Education Calendar** organised by Wicklow GAA Coaching & Games Development for full details of coaching courses and workshops provided.

TURAS Workshops

1. The TURAS Player Pathway workshops play a vital part in our coach developer programme. Only those clubs that attend and engage in their **AGE** related player pathway workshops will be considered for the two GDA visits per age group.

Player Injury Scheme

1. Official forms are available from club Secretary and County Board Offices in Ballinakill Centre of Excellence

Mouthguards

1. As per official GAA Rule all players must wear a Mouthguard in training & games – Referees have the power to order off a player who is non-compliant. Please note that players will not be covered under the Player Injury Scheme if they are not wearing a mouthguard.

Transfers

1. Please note return date for Transfers is 15th January each year

Affiliations

1. Official Affiliations forms for 2023 must be Completed and returned by 31st January 2023 with the Appropriate affiliation fees of €10 per team

Playing Membership Requirements

1. A player must be a registered full member or youth member of a club and the Association Club Registrations (Club registration must be completed prior to the start of any club activity)

County Academy Squads

1. All clubs are requested to ensure that if their players are selected by the County Academy Squads that they commit to the GCA. Clubs to support their players in becoming part of the GCA. Jonathan Daniels is the Football talent Development Leader 085-2734552 jonathan.daniels.gpo.wicklow@gaa.ie Conor Daly is the Hurling Talent Development Leader 086-044253724 conor.daly.gpo.wicklow@gaa.ie

Recommended Equipment

Football	Hurling	Goalposts
U7 – First Touch	U7 – First Touch	10' X 6'
U9 – Quick Touch	U9 – Quick Touch	10' X 6'
U10 - Quick Touch	U10 - Quick Touch	15' X 7'
U11 – Smart Touch	U11 – Smart Touch	15' X 7'
U12 – Size 4 Football	U12 – Size 4 Sliotar	15' X 7'
U13 – Size 4 Football	U13 – Size 4 Sliotar	15' X 7'
U14 – Size 4 Football	U14 – Size 4 Sliotar	Full Size
U15 – Size 4 Football	U15 – Size 4 Sliotar	Full Size
Minor – Size 5 Football	Minor – Adult Sliotar	Full Size

Return of Trophies

County Winners – League & Championship

1. All Trophies, Cups and Shield must be returned to Wicklow GAA Centre of Excellence by Monday 1st May 2023 **Penalty** €20 fine per month per trophy.
2. The club committee is responsible for the safe custody of all trophies and shall be held responsible for the cost of repair or replacement if necessary as a result of any damage to trophies, as determined by the Juvenile CCC.
3. All trophies are to be returned in presentation condition.

Coiste na nÓg Committee

2023



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2023



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Juvenile Referee Appointments

2023



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In terms of club Fixtures, the most important player is the Club's Juvenile Player. His commitment to his team needs to be matched by our commitment to him. He deserves a well-structured dependable games programme where changes are an exception, not the rule



Refereeing is a

Vital part of our games programme
(We need to substantially increase our referee numbers)

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