

Coiste Fé 18 Regulations 2017

1. Coiste Fé 18 shall be as per Bye Law 9 Fo-Dlighthé agus Rialacháin Coiste na Mí. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Assistant Secretary and PRO are selected by Coiste na Mí as per Rule 3.19 T.O. 2016. The Committee shall also consist of one delegate from each club participating in competitions from U.15 to U.18 in both hurling and football. Coiste Fé 18 shall liaise with the Coiste Contae in all matters relating to football and hurling from U.15 to U.18 age group.
2. Competitions shall be arranged for U.15, U.16, U.17 and U.18 age groups as proposed by the Coiste Fé 18 Committee and Sanctioned by the C.C.C.C. Coiste Fe18 will also run u19 competitions on behalf of the C.C.C.C.
 - a) A master calendar will be published twice a year with dates for all competitions and fixtures will also be available on meath.gaa.ie website.
 - b) Official confirmation of all fixtures will be emailed to clubs by Rúnaí Coiste Fé 18 having been approved by the C.C.C.C. and shall not be changed.
 - c) Clubs who fail to fulfil fixtures will face sanctions as per Rule 6.24 & or 6.38 T.O. 2016. A Club giving a walkover may be fined as per Rule 7.7 T.O. 2016.
3. Coiste Fe 18 shall grade all C.C.C.C approved teams into appropriate championships, leagues and other competitions. In coming to their decisions on grading, Coiste Fe18 shall use the following criteria:
 - a) The performance of the team being graded when that particular group of players played in their relevant league, championship or other competition previously.
 - b) Any other relevant information, eg walk-overs given by a team, the number of players at a relevant age;
 - c) Grading will be re-assessed prior to the start of any second Competition organised at the same age group by Coiste Fé 18.
 - d) Clubs shall have the right to make written submissions to Coiste Fe18 prior to the grading of each competition, and which shall be submitted to An Rúnaí, Coiste Fé 18.
4. Any Club wishing to request an alteration to a proposed fixture that has not yet been officially confirmed via email from Rúnaí Coiste Fe18 must follow this procedure.
 - 1) Contact the other Club involved and make request for change, if no new date/time is agreed then game goes ahead as fixed.
 - 2) If Agreement is reached then both clubs shall email Rúnaí Coiste Fe18 with justification for moving game and proposed rescheduled date/time/venue –. Coiste Fe18 in consultation with C.C.C.C. will decide if the requested change can be accommodated and notify both clubs if the request is approved or not.
 - 3) If the altered fixture fails to materialise as agreed, then the C.C.C.C. will decide to whom the match/points will be awarded to.
5. Teams must play their league fixtures when fixed by Coiste Fé 18 regardless of the unavailability of players involved in adult football or hurling championships, adult leagues or any grade of Inter-County competitions, college competitions, or schools competitions.

6. Unless provided for under competition specific rules, a club fielding two teams at any age level shall provide in writing their top fifteen players who shall be ineligible to play for the second team. The list of fifteen names must be submitted to An Rúnaí Coiste Fé 18 at least two weeks prior to the commencement of the competition.
7. A team giving a walk-over may continue in the league. A team giving a second walk-over will be removed from the league and may be fined €200.
8. Coiste Fé 18 fixtures may be fixed to be played under lights and/or on all weather/astro-turf surfaces.
9. Minor Football and Hurling Championship, in preliminary rounds (if necessary) and quarter finals, the team drawn 1st has home advantage. Semi-Finals may be played at either home or neutral venues as determined by Coiste Fé 18. Finals to be played at neutral venues.
10. If a club that has “home advantage” is unable to host the match, home advantage will transfer to the opposition. If neither team can host the match then Coiste Fé 18 will provide a venue.
11. All Minor and Under 16 competitions shall be suspended at least ten days before the commencement of, and for the full duration of the Junior and Leaving Certificate examinations.
12. All Coiste Fe18 leagues and championships are 15 a side at all divisions. All games except Division 1 Minor Hurling & Football championships can be played with reduced numbers if one or both teams do not have 15 players subject to the following:
 - a) The team list including the full panel of players must be provided to the referee prior to the commencement of the game.
 - b) Playing numbers are determined by the team with the lowest number of players who must start all players as listed in a) above (ie no subs) and a minimum of 11 players.
13. Unlimited substitutions shall be allowed during all Competitions organised by Coiste Fé 18 except in the Division 1 Minor Football and Hurling Championships where per rule 2.4, T.O. 2016, Part 2 must be adhered to.
14. No more than five officials from each team shall be allowed on the sideline.
15. If a game in a knockout Club competition at under-age, up to and including Minor, ends in a draw, two periods of extra-time of ten minutes shall be played. Exception – Extra time is not mandatory in the first game of County Minor Championship Finals. - **Rule 3.6, T.O. 2016, Part 2 ii**) In extra time, an interval not exceeding five minutes shall be allowed at half time, during which teams shall remain on the field of play. - **Rule 3.7, T.O. 2016, Part 2.**
16. In the event of a clash of colours both teams shall change to alternative colours. Clubs must check in advance their opponent’s colours.

17. Referees for all competitions under the control of Coiste Fé 18 shall be appointed by Coiste Fé 18 na Mí.
- The home team shall pay the referee's expenses in all competitions. In games at neutral venues both teams pay equal share of the referee's expenses. In the case of a gate being collected at a match, the referee is paid from the gate voucher.
 - All referees must submit their Referee's Reports to the C.C.C.C. within 3 days of the fixture.
 - All referees must inform Coiste Fé 18 na Mí Rúnaí of the result of the game within 24 hours of the fixture.
18. Clubs are responsible for registering all players as per Rule 2.3 T.O. 2016. The age limits for Coiste Fé 18 competitions shall be as per Rule 6.17 T.O. 2016. All Transfers & Permission to Play will be in accordance with Bye Law 15 Fo Dlighte An Mhi 2016.
19. Selection of teams participating in Minor Football Championships shall be confined to players from not more than two parishes other than as stated below.
20. Addenda to Parish Rule:
- a) For all Coiste Fe 18 competitions the parishes of Ardcath and Curraha shall be regarded as one parish and shall combine under the name of St Vincent's/Curraha. The Parishes of Castletown and Lobinstown shall combine under the name of Killary Emmets and be regarded as one Parish.
 - b) Players from the portion of Kingscourt Parish in county Meath shall be eligible to play with either Kilmainhamwood, Nobber or Drumconrath/Meath Hill at Coiste Fé 18 level. The Club a player first plays with shall be deemed to be his parish club.
 - c) Players from the portion of Collon Parish in county Meath shall be eligible to play with Rathkenny at Coiste Fé 18 level.
 - d) The Parish of Donore and Rosnaree plus that part of Ballsgrove Parish in Drogheda which is southwest of Matthew's Lane and Marley's Lane shall be recognised as one parish for G.A.A. purposes in Meath.
 - e) The Parish of Laytown-Mornington, together with the part of St. Mary's Parish, Drogheda, which lies in county Meath, plus the area in St. Mary's Parish, Drogheda which was ceded by Louth County Committee C.L.G., to Meath County Committee C.L.G. as sanctioned in Leinster Council Agreement of 1979, shall be recognised as one Parish unit for G.A.A. purposes in Meath C.L.G., as and from Sunday 7th September 1986.
 - f) Players from the portion of Mount Nugent Parish in county Meath (Ballinacree) and from the Moylagh Club along with players from the Ballinlough Parish (including the players from the Clonmellon Parish in Co. Meath) shall be eligible to play with St. Oliver's at Coiste Fé 18 level.

- g)** For all Coiste Fé 18 football competitions, the Parishes of Ballivor and Kildalkey shall be regarded as one parish.
- 21.** Coiste Fé 18 shall have responsibility for intercounty Minor Football and Hurling teams that shall represent Meath. Coiste Fé 18 may appoint a suitable person to liaise between each County squad and Coiste Fé 18 – subject to ratification by Coiste Bainisteoirí.
- 22.** All cups/trophies, must be returned to Dunganny before 1st May. Failure to do so will entail a fine of €100.
- 23.** Within 1 calendar month after the conclusion of each competition the Rúnaí Coiste Fé 18 or person in control of competition results must send all results to Rúnaí Coiste Contae and Cathaoirleach Coiste Fe 18. Also any member of Coiste Fe 18 committee who makes a request in writing for such documents must also be supplied within the same time frame. Failure to do so shall be dealt with by C.C.C.C. under appropriate rules.