

## **COISTE CHONTAE CHORCAÍ C.L.G. MION – RIALACHA (BYE-LAWS)**

**(Approved by An Coiste Bainistíochta, on behalf of Ard Comhairle, 26 Eanáir 2024)**

### **1. COUNTY CONVENTION (Rule 3.8)**

Nominations for Officer positions of the County Committee (excluding the Children's Officer and Planning & Training Officer), as well as Munster Council (2) and Central Council (1) Delegates, shall be as set out in Rule 3.9 (a) T.O. and shall be sent to County Secretary at least four weeks before Convention. Elections will be based on Proportional Representation.

A candidate must receive a nomination, submitted on official form, signed in Irish by a Club Secretary, be a member of the Association in accordance with Rule 2.1 and the Club of which they are a duly registered member must appear after their name on the Ballot Paper.

Two Ballot Papers per affiliation shall be sent to each Club and one to each member of the County Committee two weeks before Convention, to be returned by regular post to County Secretary on or before Friday before Convention. Each Club Ballot paper shall be accompanied by a declaration to the effect that the Ballot paper has been marked in accordance with the decisions taken at a properly convened and constituted Club meeting, and the declaration shall be signed by the Club Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary.

Before the nomination papers being sent out, a small Election Committee shall be appointed to make all the necessary arrangements in connection with the County Convention and to deal with the scrutiny of votes.

Should a vacancy occur in any of the foregoing elected positions between Convention and prior to September 1st, the vacancy shall be filled in similar manner, i.e. (a) nominations by Clubs; (b) Ballot vote of Clubs and members of current County Committee. If the vacancy occurs after September 1st, the position shall be left vacant until the next County Convention.

The following limitations in terms of Office shall apply:

A member may not serve more than three consecutive years in any one or combination of the following offices, Public Relations Officer, Officer for Irish Language and Culture, Coaching Officer, Children's Officer, Planning and Training Officer and, having served such a term, shall be ineligible for a period of one year to contest an election/appointment for any one of these offices.

A member may not serve for more than three consecutive years as Vice-Chairperson, and having served such a term shall be ineligible for a period of a year to contest the elections for the Offices of Public Relations Officer, Officer for Irish Language and Culture and Coaching Officer or for appointment as Children's Officer or Planning and Training Officer.

A member may not serve for more than three consecutive years as Chairperson, and having served such a term shall be ineligible for a period of a year to contest the elections for the Offices of Vice Chairperson, Public Relations Officer, Officer for Irish Language and Culture and Coaching Officer or for appointment as Children's Officer or Planning and Training Officer.

The Office of Treasurer, while subject to Annual Election, is not subject to a limitation in years of Service.

Motions for County Convention shall be submitted in line with Rule 3.12.

## **2. COUNTY COMMITTEE**

The County Committee shall be constituted of the following members, all of whom, except for the County Secretary, shall have voting rights:

- elected and appointed County Committee Officers
- Munster (2) and Central Council (1) Delegates
- Safety & Facilities Officer, Rebel Óg Chairperson, County Referees' Administrator, Demographics Officer, IT Officer (appointed by County Committee)
- one named delegate of each affiliated Senior, Intermediate or Junior Club participating in Championships
- two named delegates from each Divisional Committee
- one named delegate from each of the following Committees: County Handball, Rebel Óg, County Primary Schools, County Post-Primary Schools, Inter-Firm.

A report from the Management Committee, incorporating matters of Report from the other Main Sub-Committees, shall be on the Agenda of each meeting.

The schedule of the County Committee Meetings shall be recommended by the Management Committee and approved by the County Committee. It shall be presented to the last County Committee meeting of the previous year. At least five days' notice in writing by email of each meeting of the County Committee shall be given to each Secretary of the Clubs entitled to attend and each member entitled to attend and vote at such meeting. Each notice shall include: (i) The date, time and venue for the meeting; (ii) The main decisions of the previous meeting; (iii) A full agenda; and (iv) The matters, if any, upon which a vote is intended to be taken at that meeting.

A Club is entitled to change its representative on the County Committee, provided notice in writing is given to the County Secretary by 12 noon on the day of the meeting. Name of proxy for County Committee representation shall be supplied on affiliation form.

Voting shall be by secret ballot when it relates to individual members of the Association.

## **3. SUB-COMMITTEES**

In accordance with Rule 3.18 and 3.19, O.G., the County Committee shall appoint the following Sub-Committees, whose powers, functions and membership shall be as defined in Rule and in these Bye Laws.

- 3.1 Management Committee (Rule 3.18 (i))
- 3.2 Competitions Control Committee (CCC) (Rule 3.18 (ii))
- 3.3 Fixtures Analysts (Rule 3.18 (iii))
- 3.4 Hearings Committees (Rule 3.18 (iv))
- 3.5 Safety and Facilities Committee (Rule 3.18 (v))
- 3.6 Planning and Training Committee (Rule 3.18 (vi))
- 3.7 Referees' Administration Committee (Rule 3.18 (vii))
- 3.8 Coaching and Games Development Committee (Rule 3.18 (viii))
- 3.9 Cultural Committee (Rule 3.18 (ix))
- 3.10 Public Relations/Marketing Committee (Rule 3.18 (x))
- 3.11 Rebel Óg (Youth Committee) (Rule 3.18 (xi))
- 3.12 Finance Sub-Committee (Rule 3.18 (xii))
- 3.13 Information Technology Committee (Rule 3.18 (xiii))
- 3.14 County Teams Management and Panel Sub-Committee (Rule 3.18 (xiv))
- 3.15 Audit and Risk Committee (Rule 3.18 (xv))
- 3.16 Demographics Committee (Rule 3.18 (xvi))
- 3.17 Health and Wellbeing Committee (Rule 3.18 (xvii))
- 3.18 Divisional Committees (Rule 3.17 (m))
- 3.19 Post Primary Schools Committee (Cork PPS)

### 3.20 Child Welfare and Protection Committee

#### **3.1 Management Committee (Rule 3.18 (i))**

It shall consist of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson, the Treasurer, P.R.O., the Officer for Irish Language and Culture, the Coaching Officer, Children's Officer, Planning & Training Officer, Safety & Facilities Officer, Rebel Óg Chairperson, Central Council Delegate and County Secretary (without voting rights); and four other members of the County Committee, one to be elected from each of the following categories:

- Members representing Senior Clubs
- Members representing Intermediate and Premier Junior Clubs
- Members representing Junior A, B & C Clubs.
- Members representing Divisional Committees.

The four members of the County Committee elected from their respective categories to the Management Committee may not serve for more than three consecutive years on the Management Committee and having served such term shall be ineligible for a period of one year to contest an election for any such category on the Management Committee.

The Chairperson of the County Committee shall be Chairperson of the Management Committee.

Subject to the overall jurisdiction of the County Committee, the Management Committee shall have responsibility for the Management of the Affairs of the Association, including Finance, within the County between Meetings of the County Committee.

#### **3.2 Competitions Control Committee (CCC) (Rule 3.18 (ii))**

A Competitions Control Committee shall be appointed annually consisting of the County Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, and P.R.O. along with one of the four members elected to the Management Committee by the County Committee from Members representing Senior, Intermediate, Junior Clubs or Divisional Committees who shall be nominated by the Management Committee, for appointment by the County Committee. The County Referees' Administrator shall also be a member and shall be entitled to vote only on the appointment of Referees. The Vice-Chairperson of the County Committee shall be Chairperson of the Competitions Control Committee. Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

#### **3.3 Fixtures Analysts (Rule 3.18 (iii))**

The Management Committee shall nominate two Fixtures Analysts, one of whom shall be a member of the County CCC. Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

#### **3.4 Hearings Committees (Rule 3.18 (iv))**

(a) **County Hearings Committee**, consisting of twelve named Members, shall be appointed by the County Committee on the recommendation of the Management Committee. It shall adjudicate on all Disciplinary matters (except Objections and Counter Objections) where a Hearing is prescribed and requested, relating to the Enforcement of Rules arising from matters under the jurisdiction of the County Committee.

It shall adjudicate on Appeals:

- (i) Arising from Decisions of the Divisional Hearings Committee and Rebel Óg Hearings Committee provided for in Sections (b) and (c) of this Byelaw.
- (ii) Decisions of the CCC on Transfers within the County, subject to General Rules and Byelaws.
- (iii) Of Members of Clubs

(b) **Divisional Hearings Committee**, consisting of twelve named Members, shall be appointed by the County Committee on the recommendation of the management Committee. It shall adjudicate on all Disciplinary matters

(except Objections and Counter Objections) where a Hearing is prescribed and requested, relating to the Enforcement of Rules arising from matters under the jurisdiction of the relevant Divisional Committees.

(c) **Rebel Óg Hearings Committee**, consisting of twelve named Members, shall be appointed by the County Committee on the recommendation of the Management Committee. It shall adjudicate on all Disciplinary matters (except Objections and Counter Objections) where a Hearing is prescribed and requested, relating to the Enforcement of Rules arising from matters under the jurisdiction of the Rebel Óg or one of the latter's Regional Sub-Committees.

### **3.5 Safety and Facilities Committee (Rule 3.18 (v))**

It shall consist of at least five members including County Safety and Facilities Officer (as Chairperson) and a Qualified Event Controller. Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

### **3.6 Planning and Training Committee (Rule 3.18 (vi))**

It shall consist of at least five members, including the County Planning and Training Officer (as Chairperson). All members shall, upon appointment, complete the necessary training as prescribed by Central Council, the relevant Provincial Council or any of their sub-committees. Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

### **3.7 Referees' Administration Committee (Rule 3.18 (vii))**

It shall consist of at least five members including the County Referees Administrator (as Chairperson). Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

### **3.8 Coaching and Games Development Committee (Rule 3.18 (viii))**

It shall consist of at least five members including the County Coaching Officer (as Chairperson). Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

### **3.9 Cultural Committee (Rule 3.18 (ix))**

It shall consist of at least five members including the Officer for Irish Language and Culture (as Chairperson). The County Scór Committee shall be a Subcommittee of the Cultural Committee. Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

### **3.10 Public Relations/Marketing Committee (Rule 3.18 (x))**

It shall consist of at least five members including the County PRO (as Chairperson). Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

### **3.11 Rebel Óg (Youth Committee) (Rule 3.18 (xi))**

It shall consist of;

- (a) The County Children's Officer and the Coaching Officer of the County Committee;
- (b) Officerships – Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, P.R.O., Referees Administrator.
- (c) One Representative of each of four Regional Sub Committees, East, Mid South, West and North; the County Head of Games Development

The County Children's Officer having completed his term as Officer shall continue as a member of the Committee for a further one year.

It shall have four Regional Sub committees – Mid South Region, West Region, East Region and North Region

Each of the four Regional Sub Committees will be comprised of the following set of Officer roles, namely Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and P.R.O. and Referees Secretary

A member may not serve for more than a maximum of five consecutive years in any officer role within Rebel Óg.

Subject to the jurisdiction of the County Committee and the Management Committee, the County Youth Committee shall be responsible for:

- (i) The initiation and co-ordination of all Youth activities within the County.
- (ii) All underage affairs from Minor Grade downwards (except Inter-County Minor Teams)
- (iii) It shall have four Regional Sub Committees – Mid Region, West Region, East Region and North Region.
- (iv) It shall be the sole Under-Age Fixtures making body and shall prepare a Master Fixtures Plan for all Regions to ensure a coordinated games structure in the entire County.
- (v) Promotion and Monitoring of Development in the County Schools' Committees.

Coiste na nÓg shall incorporate a CCC consisting of the Officers of Coiste na nÓg and a representative from each of the four Regional sub-committees. It shall be chaired by the Rebel Óg Vice-chairperson.

Subject to the jurisdiction of the County Committee, Management Committee and Coiste na nÓg, the Coiste na nÓg Competitions Control Committee shall be responsible for:

- (i) Coiste na nÓg Fixtures. Where a change is considered necessary between meetings, the Competitions Control Committee shall consult with the Clubs involved but shall have the power to make a decision.
- (ii) Appointment of Referees – whose decisions are final.
- (iii) Referees' Reports - their consideration and adoption.
- (iv) Discipline arising from Competitions and Games, other than those functions reserved to the County Hearings Committee.
- (v) Objections and Counter-Objections relating to or arising out of Games, with power of decision.
- (vi) Gradings - Clubs and Players, with final decisions resting with the County Committee.
- (vii) Transfers within the County – subject to General Rule and Byelaws.
- (viii) The Competitions Control Committee shall meet at least once a month, and as often as is necessary.

Five Regional Competitions Control Sub Committees (CCC) will be established; Mid South CCC, West CCC, East CCC, North CCC and Premier CCC. These Sub Committees can include up to three Club representatives.

A Finance subcommittee shall comprise of the Treasurers from each of the four Regional subcommittee and the Treasurer of Rebel Óg who shall chair the subcommittee.

A Public Relations subcommittee shall comprise of the Public Relations Officers (PROs) from each of the four Regional sub-committee and the PRO of Coiste na nÓg who shall chair the subcommittee.

A Referees Sub Committee shall comprise of the Referees Secretary from each of the four Regional Sub Committees, the Secretary of Coiste na nÓg and the Referees Administrator of Rebel Óg who shall chair the Sub Committee.

### **3.12 Finance Sub-Committee (Rule 3.18 (xii))**

The membership of the Finance Sub-Committee shall comprise the entire membership of the Management Committee. Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

### **3.13 Information Technology Committee (Rule 3.18 (xiii))**

It shall consist of at least five members including the IT Officer (as Chairperson). Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

### **3.14 County Teams Management and Panels Sub-Committee (Rule 3.18 (xiv))**

The membership of the County Teams' Management and Panels' Committee shall be as outlined in the Charter for County Committee / Player relationships as approved by Central Council. Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

### **3.15 Audit and Risk Committee (Rule 3.18 (xv))**

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. Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

### **3.16 Demographics Committee (Rule 3.18 (xvi))**

It shall consist of at least five members including the Demographics Officer (as Chairperson). Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

### **3.17 Health and Wellbeing Committee (Rule 3.18 (xvii))**

It shall consist of at least five members including the County Children's Officer. Terms of reference are outlined in rule.

### **3.18 Divisional Committees (Rule 3.17 (m))**

The County shall be divided into Divisional areas by the County Committee.

A Divisional Committee shall consist of the elected Officers and one member of each affiliated Club in the Division (with the exception of the Beara Divisional Committee which shall consist of the elected officers and two members of each Club in Beara), along with the elected delegates to County Committee.

A Management Committee shall be elected annually and may comprise of the following elected officers: Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, PRO, and Irish & Cultural Officer. A Referees Administrator and up to four ordinary members of the Divisional Committee may be appointed by its members also.

A Competitions Control Committee (CCC) shall be appointed annually, comprising of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Secretary, along with between two and five other members of the Management Committee.

Each Divisional Committee shall hold an Annual General Meeting prior to County Convention, with annual reports including independently verified accounts being submitted to the County Secretary beforehand.

Subject to the functions reserved to the Divisional Hearings Committees, Divisional Committees shall have the power to warn, fine and suspend teams and individuals under their jurisdiction for breaches of Rules of the Association, County Bye Laws or County League and Championship Regulations.

The Term of Office for all officers and members of the Management Committee shall be a maximum of five years in any one position subject to annual election.

Divisional Committees shall have control of all fixtures and finances in their areas except Senior, Intermediate and Premier Junior Championships, County Leagues and other Secondary Competitions; Junior 'B' & 'C' County Championships; Interdivisional Championships; U19 and younger grade competitions. All matches, other than those specified, must have the sanction of the Divisional Committee.

Formats and calendars for all League, Championship, U21/U20 and Secondary competitions shall be submitted by each Divisional Committee for approval from County Committee before January 31st annually.

Each Divisional Committee may appoint a President and Vice-Presidents (without voting rights) for terms to be decided by the respective Divisional Committee.

### **3.19 Post Primary Schools Committee (Cork PPS)**

The Officers of Cork Post Primary Schools Committee shall be appointed annually by the County Committee on the recommendation of the Management Committee.

Officerships – Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, Development Officer.

A member may not serve for more than a maximum of five consecutive years in any officer role within Cork PPS.

Subject to the jurisdiction of the County Committee and the Management Committee, the County Post Primary Schools Committee shall be responsible for the countywide co-ordination of fixtures within the Post Primary Schools' sector, as follows:

- (i) Cork PPS Fixtures
- (ii) Appointment of Referees
- (iii) Consideration and Adoption of Referees' Reports
- (iv) Objections and Counter-Objections relating to or arising out of Games, with power of decision
- (v) Gradings

Annual accounts shall be presented to County Committee.

### **3.20 Child Welfare and Protection Committee**

It shall consist of at least six members including the County Children's Officer (as Chairperson) and County Designated Person as an ex-officio member. Subject to the jurisdiction of the County Committee and the Management Committee, it shall be responsible for:

- i. Co-ordination of Garda Vetting of mentors of Under-Age Teams.
- ii. Organisation of the delivery of Basic Awareness training in Child Protection procedures.
- iii. Provision of training and support for Child Welfare & Protection tutors and Club Children's Officers.
- iv. Maintenance of Records and Course Certification.

## **4. FINANCE**

Each affiliated club shall pay an Annual Levy of €30 with its affiliation for the promotion of each of the following within the County – Camogie, Handball and Ladies Football.

## **5. THE IRISH LANGUAGE**

### **An Ghaeilge agus Cumann Luthchleas Gael Chorcaí**

*Tá ceangal daingean docht ag Cumann Lúthchleas Gael le spreagadh agus le tacú na Gaeilge ó bunaíodh an Cumann. Tá sé mar fhís ag Coiste Chontae Chorcaí Cumann Lúthchleas go mbeidh an Cumann istigh i gceartlár mhórphobal na Gaeilge. Tá sé mar fhís go dtaispeánfaí go poiblí agus i ngach gné dá chuid oibre ardmheas ar an nGaeilge. Tá sé mar fhís go mbeidh an Ghaeilge le feiceáil agus le clos in ár gclubanna, ár bpáirceanna agus ár foiliseacháin scríofa agus ó bhéil i gconaí.*

### **Cork G.A.A. and The Irish Language**

There is a strong connection between the G.A.A. and the promotion and support of the Irish language since the establishment of the Association. It is a vision of Cork G.A.A. that the Association will continue that connection between the Association and the Irish language. It is a vision of Cork G.A.A. that the Association will show support and respect for the Irish language in all aspects of our work. It is vision of Cork G.A.A. that the Irish language will always be in use in our clubs, be visible at our playing facilities and be part of our publications (both written and oral).

## **6. GRADING**

The Championship Grades shall be known as Premier Senior, Senior A, Premier Intermediate, Intermediate A, Premier Junior, Junior 'A', Junior 'B', Junior 'C', Junior 'D', U21, Minor (U18), U16, U15 and U14 in Hurling and Football.

Players forming a Team which wins the Senior A, Premier Intermediate, Intermediate A, Lower Intermediate or any County Junior Hurling or Football Championship shall go into a more advanced grade. Exception - This shall not apply in the case of Clubs already having a team in the next highest grade.

Divisional Committees may, with the permission of the County Committee, enter a team or teams for the Premier Senior Hurling or Football Championship, representative of Premier Intermediate, Intermediate A, Premier Junior and Junior teams, within their respective areas. The status of players so assisting the Division shall not be affected, and they may continue to play with their own Clubs as usual.

No player however can be selected from a Club which already has a Senior team in the current Championship, and the registered name of a Divisional team must differ from that of any other regularly affiliated club.

### **Regrading of Players (subject to Codes 10.7 and 10.8)**

Between January 1<sup>st</sup> and commencement of the County/Divisional Leagues, a Club must submit to the relevant CCC, a list of 15 players that played championship at that level in the previous year. They may apply to regrade all other players to the next lower championship level that the Club is engaged in.

If a player does not play championship in the grade in which he is graded, he is then eligible to apply for regrading to the next grade. This process can be done throughout the course of the year.

A player may be regraded by more than one level during a championship year provided he has not played in a higher championship grade in that championship year and he is not regraded by more than one level on a single application i.e. from his existing championship status to the next lower championship level that his club is engaged in at the time of the application.

If it arises that a club's lower-graded team play before its higher-graded team(s) in championship in the same season the following applies. The club are required to submit a list of 15 players that played championship at the higher level in the previous year for each team that participated in a higher-grade championship. These players cannot play with a lower-graded team. Clubs must regrade any players that played in the higher-graded championship but were not listed in the 15.

Exception; A Club Team participating in a Provincial or All-Ireland Championship shall not be entitled to regrade players of this Team until after the termination of its participation.

## **7. APPEALS, OBJECTIONS, IRREGULARITIES**

In cases, other than Disciplinary Cases arising from the Enforcement of Rules, under the jurisdiction of Divisional Committees, and the County Youth Committee (Rebel Óg), a decision of the Management Committee or the Competitions Control Committee, as appropriate, of the County Committee is final.

Subject to Code 16.2, it shall be the privilege of any member of the County Committee, Divisional Committee or any other authorised Sub-Committee to report in writing within seven days an infringement of the Rules, the member to state the reason for the investigation, such infringement may then be investigated at the discretion of the Committee in-Charge.

## **8. TRANSFERS**

### **Attachment to Clubs**

(a) "First Club" – as defined in Rule 6.2, Official Guide. A person seeking to become a member of the Association in this County shall initially have an unfettered choice of Clubs (Hurling and/or Football).

(b) A player granted an Inter-County transfer into this County shall initially have an unfettered choice of Clubs (Hurling and/or Football).

Exceptions:

As outlined in this Byelaw 7, which govern players returning to play in Cork having played outside of the County on foot of or without an Inter-County Transfer or Official Association Sanction; Once a player has availed of the choices permitted by (a) or (b) above, and has participated in Club Competition organised by the County Committee or one of its Sub-Committees, as prescribed in Rule , he shall be governed by the provisions of the County's Transfer Byelaw with regard to any application for transfer within the County from his First/Initial Club(s).

### **Transfers**

All applications for transfer shall be made on official form. Excepting applications for transfer made under Section (e) below, which shall be considered at any meeting of the Competitions Control Committee, no application shall be considered unless received on/after January 1st and on/before January 31st.

This shall apply to all players in all grades except University Students, who are eligible as outlined hereunder. A University student pursuing a full-time undergraduate or post-graduate course may:

- (i) Play with his College Club and his Own Club, where the latter is within the County, of a lower grade, and he obtains a permit from the County Committee.
- (ii) Play with his College Club in adult competitions and with his Own Club in Under 21 and Minor competitions, where the latter Club is of Senior status within the County, provided that the player obtains a transfer to the College Club from the County Committee.

The Own Club of a University Student is the non-college Club of which he is currently a Playing Member.

The County Committee shall delegate to the Competitions Control Committee, as per General Rule, authority to deal with applications for Transfer.

Applications for Transfer to leave a First Club within the County, that is the Club (or Club within as Independent Team) with which a player first legally participated in Club Competition at Under 12 or over including Go-Games, organised by the County Committee or one of its Sub-Committees, subject to that participation being at an age not more than two years younger than the designated age level of the competition or of the club of which a player is presently a member, shall not be granted except in the following cases.

(a) A player whose permanent residence is changed to the area of the club to which he wishes to be transferred. A player whose permanent residence is changed to an area common to two or more club and is presently a member of a club other than those in the area of his residence, shall be entitled to transfer to the club of his choice in the area of his residence.

A player who is a member of a club outside the City Divisional area, and whose permanent residence is within the City Divisional area shall be entitled to transfer to the club of his choice within the City Divisional area.

A player whose permanent residence is outside the City Divisional area and is a member of a club outside the parish of his residence may transfer to the club of his choice in the parish of his residence.

A change of address is not required in the case of a player whose permanent residence is already in the area of the club to which he wishes to be transferred, and who is presently a member of a club which is outside the club area of his residence. 'Permanent Residence' is defined in Rule 6.2

- (b) A player who is applying for transfer to his First Club as outlined above.
- (c) Where permission for the transfer of a player from one Club to another within a Parish or area common to two Clubs concerned, is given by the Club of which he is presently a member.
- (d) The following shall constitute a change of residence acceptable for the purpose of this Bye Law:
  - (i) Registration as a student at U.C.C. or C.I.T. for transfers to U.C.C. and C.I.T. respectively.
  - (ii) Station as a member of An Garda Síochána in the Club area of the club to which he wishes to transfer. If the station is situated in an area common to two or more clubs, he shall be entitled to transfer to the club of his choice in that area. If the station is in City Divisional area in which there is no club, he shall be entitled to transfer to the Club of his choice within the City Divisional area
  - (iii) Station as a Priest in a Parish, in which a Club to which he wishes to transfer is based.
  - (iv) Employment as a Farm Apprentice for transfer to a Club in the area in which he is working.
- (e) A player who has not taken part in any official or trophy competition in the previous number of weeks stipulated below: (i) overage for U16 (on date of last game played) - 96 weeks (ii) eligible for U16 / younger (on date of last game played) - 48 weeks
- (f) A Player from a Senior or Intermediate Club may transfer to a Junior A, B or C Club, if permission is granted by the Club he is leaving.
- (g) A player who is applying for a transfer to the 'First Club' of his father.
- (h) Where two Clubs formed independent teams at juvenile level and one of these Clubs disbands and does not form independent teams with another club, a player residing in the area of the club which disbanded may transfer from the other Club which formed independent teams with the disbanded Club at juvenile level to the Club of his choice.
- (i) In the case of all applications within the County, the County Competitions Control Committee shall have the right to consider extenuating circumstances in determining applications.

A player who is deemed by the County Committee or Divisional Committee to be deliberately not playing with his club for the purpose of circumventing a provision of Byelaw 8 shall not be eligible for selection on Inter- County or Divisional teams.

A player who obtains an Inter-County transfer from Cork to another County and subsequently transfers back to Cork shall be deemed to have re-joined the club of which he was a member prior to the initial Inter-County transfer.

A native and resident of Cork County who plays with a club outside the County without obtaining an Inter-County transfer or Official Association Sanction, and who is subsequently reinstated back to Cork, shall be deemed to have re-joined the club of which he was a member prior to his playing without an Inter-County transfer.