

Counties Congress Motions 2021

Definitions

Management **Proposed by: Mary Connolly** **Seconded by Martina Dillon**

Add to definitions, a definition of Female Liaison Officer:

A female liaison officer (FLO) is the female official required to be part of every management team. The FLO will act as a liaison between the players and the management team and with the club or county board. The FLO should not be part of the selection process of teams so remain neutral.

Passed: Show of Hands

Management **Proposed by: Jerome Casey** **Seconded by: Sinead Reel**

Add to definitions, a definition of 45:

A 45 is awarded where the ball is played over the end-line and outside the goalposts, by one of the defending side. The opposing team shall be awarded a 45 metre kick opposite to where the ball crossed the end-line in games played on a full size regulation pitch.

Where games played on a reduced size pitch the terminology of awarding a 45 shall be used even though the kick may be of a lesser distance than 45m from the opposing goal. The distance shall be as defined by the organizing committee or the referee.

Passed: Show of Hands

General

Management **Proposed by: Kathleen Kane** **Seconded by: Michael Naughton**

Amend Rule 22 to read:

Clubs and Counties must appoint a Children's Officer who should be a member of the Executive Committee and shall have voting rights. Children's Officers should be player-centred in focus. They should have as their primary aim the establishment of a player-centred ethos within the Club and County. The Children's Officer is the link between young players and adults in the Club or County. The Children's Officer is responsible for ensuring that the Code of Behaviour (Underage) policies are implemented within Club or County.

The Association shall have a designated Children's Officer at National level.

A Designated Liaison Person (DLP) is a mandatory requirement for Clubs and Counties. The DLP is not an elected position but one that is selected by the Executive. Where a person is not identified to the role, the chairperson automatically becomes the DLP for that unit.

The Association shall also have a DLP at National level.

Passed: Show of Hands

Teams

Management **Proposed by: Geraldine Carey** **Seconded by: Dominic Leech**

Amend Rule 325 to read:

A team shall consist of 15 players and a panel of 30 players. Teams are allowed a maximum of **10 officials at Inter-County level and 7 officials at club level**, one of whom must be a female liaison officer. **Only the manager, maor foirne and medic are permitted on the side-**

line. The female County liaison officer shall not be involved in coaching or team selection.
Team officials must be 18 years or older for County Teams.

Amendment to Motion - Proposed by Donal Sharkey, Seconded by Seamus O'Hanlon

Passed: 75:26

Ball in Play

Management Proposed by: Pat Quill Seconded by: Jerome Casey

Amend Rule 383 as follows:

The 2nd paragraph delete the word "free" before "13m forward" in line 3 to read:

Should a player taking the 45metre kick foul the ball, she shall retake the kick. If the player fouls the ball twice a throw in shall be awarded.

Should an opposing player foul the 45m kick, **on a regulation sized pitch, the 45m kick** shall be brought forward 13 metres in a more advantageous position. A point scored off the ground in these circumstances, shall count as 2 points where it goes directly over the bar or is deflected over the bar by a member of the defending team.

To signal a two point score, the umpire shall wave the white flag and at the same time raise his/her other hand to point directly upwards.

Where a member of the team awarded the 45m kick plays the ball again in any manner and the ball goes over the bar one point shall be allowed.

Amendment to Motion Proposed by Pat Quill Seconded by Con Moynihan

Passed 83:18

Scores

Management Proposed by: Con Moynihan Seconded by: Maeve Quinn

Amend 411 (b) to read:

Two points shall be awarded when a 45m kick, taken off the ground, goes directly over the bar or is deflected over the bar by a member of the defending team. Should a goal be scored, the goal is allowed.

To signal a two point score, the umpire shall wave the white flag and at the same time raise his/her other hand to point directly upwards.

Where a member of the team awarded the 45m kick plays the ball again in any manner and the ball goes over the bar one point shall be allowed.

Passed: Show of Hands

Fouls

Management Proposed by Jerome Casey Seconded by: Lucia Butler

Amend Rule 416(n) by inserting "or side-line" and deleting "quick" to read:

Deliberately not moving back to allow a side-line or free kick to be taken

Passed: Show of Hands

Free Kicks

Management **Proposed by: Patricia Morrison** **Seconded by: Jerome Casey**

Amend Rule 419 by inserting “playing” before “rules” to read:

The penalty for most breaches of the **playing** rules shall be a free kick

Passed: Show of Hands

Management **Proposed by: Eileen Jones** **Seconded by: Shauna Rafferty**

Amend Rule 426 by deleting “45 metre kick” to read:

Should an opposing player stand nearer than 13 metres from the ball when a free kick or sideline kick is being taken, or illegally charge a free kick **or side-line kick**, the opposing team shall be awarded a free kick, 13 metres nearer their opponents goal.

Passed: Show of Hands

CODA Rules

Management **Proposed by: Dominic Leech** **Seconded by: Eileen Jones**

Add to ‘Hearings Committee’ under 1.2 Structure (Page 105) to read:

The executive committee of each unit, other than club, shall appoint a Hearings Panel from which a Hearings Committee shall be selected to hear a complaint, objection or disciplinary matter at that level for a period of 3 years. **The members of the Hearings Panel cannot be a member of the executive committee of that unit and this is a non voting panel.**

Passed: Show of Hands

Management **Proposed by: Peter Rice** **Seconded by: Keith Gilroy**

Add to ‘Appeals Committee’ under 1.2 Structure (Page 105) to read:

The executive committee of each County Board, Provincial Council or Central Council shall appoint an Appeals Panel from which an Appeals Committee shall be selected to hear appeals against decisions **of the lower unit** or of the Hearings Committee of complaints, objections or disciplinary action from the lower unit for a period of 3 years. **The members of the Appeals Panel cannot be a member of the executive committee of that unit and this is a non voting panel.**

Passed: Show of Hands

Management **Proposed by: Peter Rice** **Seconded by: Jerome Casey**

CODA Officer

Delete (f) in 2.1.3. (Page 115)

‘In the case of an automatic sending off offence, the CODA shall notify the player of the minimum 4-week suspension.’

Passed: Show of Hands

Management **Proposed by: Geraldine Giles** **Seconded by: Michael Naughton**

Amend Rule 5.13 (f) under Complaints Procedure (122) to read:

The costs and expenses of the Mediation shall be **50%** underwritten by the LGFA **and 50% paid by the two parties involved**. Such costs and expenses do not include either party’s professional advisors, who are specifically excluded from participating in the mediation.

Passed: 79:10

Management **Proposed by: Geraldine Giles** **Seconded by: Dave McCabe**
Disciplinary Action Procedure (Page 123)

Delete Rule 6.2

If the Referee's Report confirms a straight red card sending off then the CODA shall deliver to the Hearings Committee a copy of the Referee's Report together with any other evidence, without any further investigation.'

Passed: Show of Hands

Management **Proposed by: Michael Naughton** **Seconded by: Carol Kiernan**
Move Rule 6.6 to 6.2 and amend to read:

In the event that a Referee's Report confirms a straight red card, the player is automatically subject to a minimum 4 weeks suspension as per Rule 418. If the incident merits a greater suspension, the CODA shall refer the Disciplinary Action to the Hearings Committee.

Passed: Show of Hands

Management **Proposed by: Michael Naughton** **Seconded by: Mary Grimes**
Move Rule 6.7 to 6.3 and move all rules down accordingly. Amend Rule 6.7 to read:

In the event that the player refuses to accept the minimum 4 weeks suspension, she may request a hearing by submitting the 'Request for Hearing' form to the relevant CODA Officer within 72 hours of the game.

Passed: Show of Hands

Management **Proposed by: Mary Connolly** **Seconded by: Rosemary Fennell**
Amend Rule 8.3 under Appeals Procedure (Page 128) to read:

Any appeal to the Appeals Committee to the next Highest Unit shall be a fresh appeal.

Passed: Show of Hands