

Tyrone GAA Go Games 2021

Below are some of the FAQ's coming from clubs for the coming season at Go Games in Tyrone.

1. Defining Go Games

Go Games are small-sided versions of Hurling and Gaelic Football which have been devised for children up to and including 11.5 years of age.

The following are the key underpinning principles of Go Games:

1.1 All participants play in the full game.

1.2 Participant needs are catered for, where possible, on the basis of year age cohorts; i.e., Under-7.5, Under-9.5 & Under-11.5 in a manner consistent with the ethos of Go Games.

1.3 Activities are structured in a manner which optimises the level of fun, friendship, fair play and achievement derived by participants.

1.4 Participants train and play in a safe, supportive and stimulating environment where they are encouraged to risk error, to learn and to derive maximum enjoyment from their involvement.

1.5 Players master the basic skills of Hurling and Gaelic Football and experience the sense of accomplishment, which derives from acquiring playing proficiency on the left and the right hand sides of the body.

1.6 Everybody involved in Go Games, whether as players, parents/guardians, spectators, mentors, teachers, officials, etc. should adhere to the key underpinning principles and give expression to the GAA 'Give Respect, Get Respect' initiative.

Running of a Go Games Day

2.1 Liaise with County Go Games Coordinator

2.2 Liaise with Clubs attending blitz in advance.

2.3 Have pitches set up in advance of teams arriving.

2.4 Identify Go Games referee for training.

2.5 Organise go games referees to take charge of games and provide support where necessary.

2.6 Organise fixtures schedule for blitz and commence blitz on time.

2.7 Ensure that all teams get the minimum number of games required.

2.8 Ensure that Club have organised refreshments for all participants on completion of blitz.

2.9 Report any issues that may arise at blitz to County Go Games coordinator or County Coaching and Games Committee.

2.10 All clubs should audit their playing facilities and goalposts to ensure maximum participation on game days.

2.11 Please ensure goals, uprights and nets are used on game days and try to avoid the use of poles for goals.

Age Grades

U7.5 (School Class p2/3)

U9.5 (School Class p4/5)

U11.5 (School Class p6/7)