Policy: Wexford GAA Handball Juvenile 4-Wall League 2026

Points System

Standard Games: 1 point for playing game, 3 points for a 2-0 win otherwise 2-1 if it goes to a tiebreak

Timed Games: 1 point for playing game, 2 points for a win, 1 point for a draw

Balls/Format

For timed Games, 2 serve rules apply, rally scoring, 1 game to 21 or score after 15 minutes of play (whichever comes first). When 15 minutes elapse the rally should be allowed to finish.

Group 1 -2 Adult Ball Full Rules, 3 Games of 15

Groups 3-10 Dark Blue Ball, Full Rules, 3 Games of 15

Groups 11-14 Challenger 2 Ball, Full Rules, 3 Games of 15

Group15 Dark Blue Timed

Group 16-18, Challenger 2, Timed, 2 Serve Rule, rally scoring, serve must go over the second line

Group 19-20 Challenger 1 Ball, Timed, 2 Serve Rule, rally scoring, 1st line is short line, no back wall on serves

Time Outs

2 Timeouts allowed per player in each Game of 15

No Timeouts in Timed Games

Dates

Start Date: Thursday 8th October with games scheduled for Thursday evenings and Sunday (9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.)

End Date: Late January/Early February depending on championship fixtures/dates

Important Notes

1. Official Club Jersey and Togs must be worn by all juveniles taking part

2. Goggles and gloves are compulsory

3. All results must be sent by Whats App (OIC Group) or email to the County Juvenile Secretary, Fiona Byrne Phone 086 8164625, email juvenilesecretary.wexford.handball@gaa.ie. **on the day** of the games from the Official in Charge at the venues.

4. All parents/guardians pay towards lights. The following venues use meters for their lights and 1-euro coins will be needed at St. Martins HBC, Coolgreany HBC, Ballymitty, Ferns Davidstown HBC is €1 or €2

5. The fee for St. Josephs HBC is €2 per juvenile per game and this should be given directly to

the Official in Charge on the day

6. Any player failing to turn up for their match will be declared a "**no show**" and he/she will be **disqualified** and all players will receive 2 (Timed) or 3(Standard Game format) points irrespective of whether they played that particular Juvenile or not. Only in exceptional circumstances may the CCC overturn this.

7. If a player pulls out of the Juvenile League all players will receive 3pts (2 points for timed games) irrespective of whether they played that particular Juvenile or not.

8. A player conceding a walk-over in advance of the official fixture will have the points awarded to the opponent, but if a player concedes a **second walk-over, disqualification** from the league will apply.

9. If two players finish their league programme level on points, the head-to-head result from their league clash will determine the placings in the groups. If three players finish on the same points and the head-to-head results are unable to separate them, a three-way play-off (each will play the other) of 1 x 15 ace game will apply. If more than three players finish level on points and the head-to-head results are unable to separate them, the juvenile CCC will decide the play-off formula

10. Finals and Semi Finals.

The Top 2 in each Group will qualify for a final except in Groups 1, 2, 3, 4 where there will be Semi Finals:

- In Groups **1,2,3** and **4** the top four will go to a semi-final. The player who tops the group will play the 4th placed player in the group in the semi-final. The players who finish second and third in the group will play each other in the other semi-final.

11. Should a player request a change of a fixture the following steps are required;

- The club secretary of the player must contact the **opponent's club secretary** to seek a change. This request is, in the first instance, subject to the agreement of the opposing club secretary, and if that is forthcoming, the club making the request will also concede the venue, date and time of the refixture.

- The game **must be played on the week of the official fixture**. Failure to fulfil the new fixture OR if no result is sent to the County juvenile secretary within this time frame (by 8 p.m. on the Sunday night), a walkover will apply and/or the points will be rewarded to the opponent as appropriate.

- Should an agreement be reached on the game between the two club secretaries, the club secretary of the player seeking the change **must contact County juvenile secretary, Fiona, juvenilesecretary.wexford.handball@gaa.ie with a date, time, venue and the name of the referee looking after the game in order for it to be deemed an official fixture**. Additionally, the club secretary seeking the change is

responsible for booking the venue for the refixture along with cancelling the original court booking and organising a referee.

If a player is giving a walkover, they should contact their club secretary who should let opponents club secretary know. The secretary of club conceding the walkover should also cancel court booking by letting relevant OIC know.

12. One refixture due to injury/illness will be accommodated during the league. If a player is injured/sick the same procedure as in Point 11 should be followed. The aim would be to try to get the game played within the week. In exceptional circumstances, if this is not possible, please email the juvenile secretary to let her know when the player can be put back on the fixture list. However, it will be up to the secretary of the injured/sick player to rearrange the original fixture.

13. All unavailable dates cannot be accommodated. If a player cannot fulfil a fixture the same process as in Point 11 applies.

14. All correspondence to the juvenile secretary (Fiona) must come through club secretaries.