

## **GENERAL RULES FOR HURLING LEAGUE COMPETITIONS 2016**

1. Games cannot be changed except with the consent of the county competition and control committee Cill Dara .
2. Application for change/postponement shall be based on exceptional criteria for example: Death of a player, club official, prominent club member or close family relative of above. Agreement C.C.C. Cill Dara must be given. Games to be re-fixed by C.C.C. Cill Dara
3. Approval of Kildare CCC is required for proposed fixture changes. Clubs requesting a postponement/change must have a proposed re-fixture date agreed before contacting the CCC for approval. Written confirmation is required from both club secretaries. Cill Dara CCC decision is final.
4. When Championship games are within four days, application can be made for change. Any postponed game to be re-fixed by C.C.C. Cill Dara. N.B. - Four days defined to include league game date.
5. The top four teams in each league division will contest the league semi-finals to decide league final pairings. 1 v 4 & 2 v 3. SHL 1,2,3 1 and 2 at home. The winner of the league final will be deemed league winners. Final league positions will be decided by the following criteria:  
**Rule 6.20 (4) T.O.2015**
  - (i) Where two teams only are involved the outcome of the meeting of the two teams in the previous game in the competition.
  - (ii) Scoring difference (subtracting total scores against from total scores for) Scoring average (divide total score against into total score for)
  - (iii) Highest total score for
  - (iv) A play- offException to (c): (1) In relation to means (ii) and (iii) above if the accumulated scores of a team, so involved, are affected by a disqualification, loss of game on a proven objection, retirement or walk-over, the tie shall be decided by a play-of.  
(2) Regulations (i), (ii) and (iii) shall not apply to under 16 or younger age grade competition
6. Extra time will be played in all play-offs (if required), semi- finals and finals.
7. All fixtures must be up to date before the last round is played. Last round of each League to be played at the same time. No changes or cancellations shall be allowed. Non compliance and exceptional cases will be dealt with by Cill Dara CCC.
8. Clubs shall play league games without county panellists when unavailable.
9. Clubs giving 2 walkovers shall take no further part in the league competition.
10. A Team failing to fulfil a fixture shall forfeit the points and shall be deducted a further point and the opposing team shall be awarded the 2 points. If both teams fail to fulfil fixture penalty shall apply to both teams.
11. Teams failing to fulfil a fixture cannot qualify for the play off stages of that competition SHL Div 1 only
12. Failure to notify Kildare CCC with adequate notice (24 hours) of a postponement or agreed re-fixture will result in a fine Non compliance and exceptional cases will be dealt with by Cill Dara CCC. (Rule 7.7 T.O. 2015)
13. All referees shall be appointed by C.C.C. Cill Dara. Referee fee Senior € 40.00 Minor €30.00
14. SHL Div 2 & 3, MHL - All games 15-a-side, 13 a side by agreement. Agreement shall not be withheld. Failure to comply will result in forfeiture of the game.

Please note that the onus is on all clubs to be aware of this league rule and to inform their team management of same.

It is not the responsibility of the referee's to inform the clubs of this rule.

15. First named-teams to have home venue. In the event of home side's pitch being unplayable the game shall be played at opposing team's venue on the same date.
16. Clubs who enter teams in the S.H.L Div 1, 2 & 3 -
  - a. Must submit a regrading list to the CCC Chill Dara to be ratified by the CCC.
  - b. Rule 6.19(T.O. 2015) applies
17. Clubs will not be allowed to have a second team in either the same league division or championship grade.
18. Where a club enters an adult league and subsequently fails to take part in that league, this club cannot then partake in a league at a lower grade than the league they failed to take part in.
19. Home team in league games must use alternative colour jerseys i.e second set in the event of clash with the opposing team. Non compliance will result in a fine. (Rule 7.7 T.O. 2015)