









Futsal is the official FIFA version of the indoor 5 a side football. It is played between two teams of five players, one of whom is the goalkeeper and up to seven substitutes per team may be used. Unlike some other forms of indoor football, the game is played on a hard court surface delimited by lines; walls or boards are not used.

Futsal is also played with a smaller ball with less bounce than a regulation football. The ball and rules create an emphasis on improvisation, creativity and technique as well as refining ball control, passing and dribbling in small spaces. The Post Primary Schools competition caters for boys and girls in First Year. The programme delivers a quality fast paced action packed game focusing on skill, speed and technique.

Competitions will begin in October. There is a competition in each County and the winners of each section (boys & girls) progress to their respective Provincial Finals which will take place in November. Then each provincial winner will then progress to the National Finals which will be held in early December.

GENERAL INFO

REGISTRATION

To register for the competition please complete the online form on or before September 27th 2019 by clicking on www.fai.ie/postprimaryfutsal

ENTRY FEE

The entry fee is €25. Cheques should be made payable to the **Football Association of Ireland** and posted to Post Primary Schools Futsal, FAI Schools, National Sports Campus, Abbotstown, Dublin 15. Alternatively schools can issue payment by electronic bank transfer. Please reference your **roll number** and the word **FUTSAL** on the cheque or online payment information.

FAI Account | Bank of Ireland | College Green | Dublin 2 IBAN: IE32 BOFI 9000 1749 1489 38 BIC/Swift: BOFIIE2D

Schools will not be allowed to participate until the online application form and entry fee has been received.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

- The competition is for First Year students only
- Only players who were born on or after the 1st of January 2006 are eligible to take part
- There are separate competitions for boys

and girls but girls are permitted to play in the boys competitions

TEAM REGISTRATION

On the day of competition, schools will receive a player registration list and must follow the procedure below:

• Full name of each player and the player's date of birth should be included on the registration list.

• The school does not need to have the full 12 players allowed for but we recommend each team has a minimum of 3 substitutes (8 players).

• Signature of the teacher in charge should be on the registration list.

• Once submitted, no changes can be made to the squad for that day's competition.

• Player registration lists will be available for inspection by other teachers during the competition.

REFEREES

Official referees will be used where possible. Minimum age limit for a referee is 15 years.

MEDIA

All schools are encouraged to promote the competition in their own area through local press, local radio and social media platforms. All media press releases and reports must bear the title 'FAI Schools Futsal'.



RULES OF THE GAME

DURATION

• Each game will consist of a maximum of 20 minutes per game (10 minutes per half). Added time will be at the referee's discretion.

NUMBER OF PLAYERS

- Twelve players per squad. No players, other than those twelve, shall be togged out on the touchline.
- Only five players, including a goalkeeper, may be on the pitch at any one time.

SUBSTITUTIONS

• The number of substitutions that may be made during a match is unlimited.

 The substitution is completed when a substitute enters the pitch via his/her own team's substitution zone, after handing his/her bib to the player being replaced.

PLAYERS EOUIPMENT

- All players including substitutes should wear shinguards. A player will not be allowed to participate if he/she is not wearing a complete and safe set of shinguards.
- For health and safety purposes, players are not permitted to wear glasses. Sports spectacles are permitted if they pose no danger to players.
- . The two teams must wear colours that distinguish them from each other and also the referees and the assistant referees.
- Each goalkeeper must wear colours that distinguish him/her from the other players, the referees and the assistant referees.

GOALPOSTS AND GOALKEEPERS AREA

- Goalposts are 3 metres by 2 metres in size.
- Goalkeepers area is a 6 metre arc around the goal area and he/she may only handle the ball in this area.
- There is no restriction on players or goalkeeper entering or leaving this area.

OTHER RULES

RESTARTS

 All restarts should be delivered within four. seconds of the player being ready to do so.

 Failure to do so will result in an indirect free-kick to the opposing team.

KICK-OFF

• The opponents of the team taking the kick-off are at least 3 metres from the ball until it is in play.

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 A goal may be scored directly from a corner kick, but only against the opposing team.

KICK-INS

The opponents must be at a distance of

 A goal can't be scored directly from a kick-off.

CORNER KICK

• The opponents must be on the pitch at least 5 metres from







no less than 5 metres from the place on the touch line where the kick-in is taken.

• A goal may not be scored directly from a kick-in.

• At the moment of delivering the ball, the kicker has one foot on the touch line or on the ground outside the pitch.

• The ball must be stationary, either from the point where it left the pitch or on the ground outside it at a distance no greater than 25cm from that point.

INDIRECT FREE KICKS

• An indirect free kick is awarded to the opposing team if the goalkeeper commits any of the following four offences:

- o controls the ball with his/her handsor feet in his/her own half for more than4 seconds.
- o after playing the ball he/she touches it again in his/her own half of the pitch after it has been deliberately played to him/her by a teammate without an opponent playing or touching it.
- o touches the ball with his/her hands inside his/her own penalty area after it has deliberately kick to him/her by a teammate.

• An indirect free kick is also awarded to the opposing team if, in the opinion of the referees, a player:

- o plays in a dangerous manner in the presence of an opponent.
- o impedes the progress of an opponent.
- o prevents the goalkeeper from releasing the ball from his/her hands.

• An indirect free kick conceded in the penalty area by the defending team, is taken from the penalty area line nearest to where the offence was commited.

DIRECT FREE KICKS

• A direct free kick is awarded to the opposing team if a player commits any of the following seven offences in a manner considered by the referee to be careless, reckless or using excessive force: kicks or attempts to kick, trips, jumps at, charges, strikes or attempts to strike, pushes and or tackles an opponent.

• A direct free kick is also awarded to the opposing team if a player commits any of the following three offences: holds an opponent, spits at an opponent or handles the ball deliberately (except the goalkeeper within his/her own penalty area).

• All above offences are accumulated fouls.

ACCUMULATED FOULS

• Accumulated fouls are those penalised with a direct free kick or penalty kick.

• If a player commits his/her team's sixth accumulated foul of the game a penalty is awarded to the opposition from the second penalty mark (10m from goal).

• Each subsequent accumulated foul also results in a kick from the second penalty mark. This 10m kick can't be passed on to a team-mate, it must be a shot directly on goal.

PENALTY KICK

• A penalty kick is awarded for a direct foul committed inside the penalty area and results in a kick from the 6m penalty mark.

• Opponents must be 5m metres from the ball and behind the penalty mark until the ball is kicked.

GOAL CLEARANCE

• A goal clearance is awarded when the whole ball passes over the goal line, between the goalposts and the corner arc.

• The goalkeeper must throw the ball back into play from any point inside the penalty area.

• The goalkeeper must take the goal clearance within four seconds of being ready to do so.

• A goal may not be scored directly from a goal clearance.

OFFSIDE

• There is no offside in Futsal.

COMPETITION FORM

- The competition will be run, where possible, in a blitz format.
- The local competition co-ordinator will notify teams of the groups and fixtures in advance of the competition.
- Three points shall be awarded for a win, one point for a draw and no points for a loss.
- In the event of two teams being tied on points, the following criteria shall be applied: - Result of the game between the two teams.
 - If two teams are still tied, a play-off game shall occur. Maximum of 5 minutes per game.
 - If teams are still tied, a penalty shoot-out will take place with three kicks per team.
- In the event of three or more teams being tied on points, the following criteria shall be applied:
 - Results of the games between the teams in question.
 - If two teams are still tied, a play-off game shall occur. Maximum of 5 minutes per game.
 - If more than two teams are still tied then a round robin penalty shoot-out competition will take place with three kicks per team.
- Decisions made by the local competition co-ordinator will be final.
- There is a competition in each County and the winners of each section (boys and girls) progress to their respective Provincial Finals.
- Each Provincial winner will then progress to the National Finals.

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POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS – GIRLS

WINNERS: RUNNERS UP: THIRD: FOURTH:

St. Attracta's Community School, Tubbercurry, Sligo Carndonagh Community School, Donegal Coláiste Chiaráin, Leixlip, Kildare **Ursuline Secondary School, Thurles, Tipperary**





POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS - BOYS

WINNERS: **RUNNERS UP:** THIRD: FOURTH:

St. Louis Community School, Kiltimagh, Mayo St. Columba's College, Stranorlar, Donegal Mercy Secondary School, Mounthawk, Tralee, Kerry St. Mary's Diocesan School, Drogheda, Louth

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POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS CALENDAR LEINSTER

DUBLIN QUALIFIERS

September 26: Boys & Girls Aughrim Street Sports Hall

Contact: Ian Hill / Tommy Carberry

September 30 & October 1: Boys & Girls National Basketball Arena, Tallaght

Contact: Mark Connors/ Stephen Rice/JJ Glynn/ Robert De Courcy

October 3: Girls Our Lady of Mercy, Beaumont

October 10: Boys New Cross College, Finglas

Contact: Neil Keoghan/ Jimmy Mowlds

October 14: Girls October 15: Boys St. Catherine's Sports Centre

Contact: Jonathan Tormey/ David Rake October 14: Girls October 15: Boys Clogher Road Sports Centre

Contact: Marc Kenny

October 15: Boys October 16: Girls Ballinteer Community School

Contact: Thomas Morgan

October 16: Boys October 23: Girls Woodbrook College

Contact: Rory O'Hare

October 17: Boys October 24: Girls National Indoor Arena, Abbotstown

Contact: Paul Keogh / Jamie Wilson / Sharon Boyle



DUBLIN FINALS

November 6: Girls November 7: Boys National Basketball Arena, Tallaght







LEINSTER

CARLOW

October 22: Boys Tullow Community School

October 24: Girls St. Leo's College, Carlow

Contact: Garry Coady

LAOIS

October 7: Girls October 24: Boys Mountmellick Community School Sports Complex

Contact: Nichole Doyle

OFFALY

October 22: Girls Sacred Heart School, Tullamore

October 23: Boys Coláiste Choilm, Tullamore

Contact: Gary Seery

WEXFORD

October 3: Boys & Girls Bunclody AFC

October 9 & 23: Boys & Girls St. Joseph's Community Centre, Bishopswater

Contact: William Doyle

WICKLOW

October 23: Girls October 24: Boys Woodlands Academy, Kilcroney, Bray

Contact: Richard Fitzgibbon

KILDARE

November 5: Girls Holy Family Post Primary, Newbridge

November 7: Boys Kilcullen Community Centre

Contact: Pat Behan

LONGFORD

October 24: Boys & Girls Kenagh Community Centre

Contact: Graham Kane

KILKENNY

October 22: Boys October 24: Girls The Watershed, Kilkenny

Contact: Dean Broaders/Will Kinsella

LOUTH

October 24: Boys & Girls DkIT Sports Centre, Dundalk Contact: Michael Neville

MEATH

October 14: Boys & Girls MDL Gournds, Navan Contact: Barry Ferguson

WESTMEATH

October 14: Girls October 15: Boys Moate Community Centre

Contact: Glen Byrne

GALWAY

October 8: Boys October 10: Girls Kingfisher, NUI Galway

Contact: Nigel Keady/ John Morris Burke

MAYO

October 24: Boys November 7: Girls Breaffy House Sports Hall

Contact: Paul Byrne

LEITRIM

October 23: Boys & Girls Mayflower Centre, Drumshanbo

Contact: Damon Kearney

ROSCOMMON

October 17: Boys **October 24: Girls** Glenamaddy Community College

Contact: Adrian Carberry

SLCO **October 9: Boys & Girls IT Sligo**

Contact: Nigel Keady

CLARE

November 6: Boys & Girls Clare Leisure World, Ennis

November 7: Boys & Girls Kilrush Astro Turf

November 8: Boys & Girls **Ennistymon Community Centre**

November 12: Boys & Girls Shannon Leisure Centre

Contact: Denis Hynes

LIMERICK

November 7: Boys & Girls The Factory Youthspace

Contact: Barbara Bermingham/ Jason O'Connor/Declan Considine/Barry McCann

WATERFORD

October 23: Boys & Girls Waterford IT Arena

Contact: Gary Power/ Michael Looby

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CORK

October 15: Boys & Girls Christ King Girls' Secondary School

October 16: Boys & Girls **Bishopstown Community School**

October 17: Boys & Girls Nagle Community College

October 29: Boys & Girls St. Vincent's Secondary School

October 30: Boys & Girls Christ King Girls' Secondary School (TBC)

November 7: Boys & Girls Bishopstown Community School (TBC)

Contact: Stephen O'Mahony

October 21, 22 & 25: Boys & Girls Blarney (TBC)

October 22: Boys & Girls Mitchelstown Leisure Centre

October 23: Boys & Girls Dunmanway Community Hall

Contact: Ray Claffey

CAVAN

October 17: Boys & Girls Cavan Leisure Centre, Drumalee **Contact:** Thomas Heffernan

DONEGAI

October 15: Boys October 22: Girls Aura Leisure Centre. Letterkenny

Contact: Dessie McGlinchey

INISHOWEN October 17: Boys & Girls

Aileach FC **Contact:** Dessie McGlinchev

MONAGHAN

October 22: Boys & Girls Phoenix Centre, Carrickmacross Contact: John Crudden

KERRY

October 11: Girls IT Tralee

October 25: Boys IT Tralee

Contact: Darren Aherne

TIPPERARY

South Tipperary Qualifiers October 16: Boys & Girls Canon Hayes Complex, **Tipperary Town October 18: Boys & Girls**

Clonmel Town FC Mid Tipperary Qualifiers October 17: Boys & Girls

Peake Villa FC, Thurles

North Tipperary Qualifiers October 18: Boys & Girls Nenagh College, Nenagh

Tipperary County Finals October 24: Boys & Girls Canon Hayes Complex, **Tipperary Town**

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ULSTER FINALS

November 13: Boys & Girls Aura Leisure Centre, Letterkenny

LEINSTER FINALS

November 12: Girls November 13: Boys National Basketball Arena, Tallaght

CONNACHT FINALS

November 20: Boys & Girls IT Sligo

MUNSTER FINALS

November 19: Boys & Girls Waterford IT Arena

NATIONAL FINALS

December 5: Boys & Girls Waterford IT Arena

NOTE: For queries on the Provincial & National Finals please email postprimaryschools@fai.ie





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