

# FUTSAL

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FUTSAL PROGRAMME



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## PRIMARY SCHOOLS FUTSAL PROGRAMME 2018



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# INTRODUCTION

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 Primary Schools competition caters for boys and girls in 3rd and 4th class. The programme delivers a quality fast paced action packed game focusing on skill, speed and technique.

Competitions will run between October and December with the emphasis on fun and participation.

# GENERAL INFO

## REGISTRATION

To register for the competition please complete the online form on or before September 21st 2018 by clicking onto [www.fai.ie/primaryfutsal](http://www.fai.ie/primaryfutsal)

## ENTRY FEE

The entry fee is €25. Cheques should be made payable to the **Football Association of Ireland** and posted to 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: BOFIE2D

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

## PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

- The competition is for 3rd and 4th class students only.
- Only players who were born on or after the 1st of January 2008 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 toggled 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 EQUIPMENT

- 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.
- 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 the corner arc until it is in play.
- 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 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 hands or feet in his/her own half for more than 4 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 referee, 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 committed.

## 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 FORMAT

- 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.



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# PRIMARY SCHOOLS CALENDAR

## LEINSTER

### DUBLIN

**October 9: Boys & Girls**

Wayside Celtic FC

**Contact:** Rory O'Hare

**October 10: Boys & Girls**

Leicester Celtic

**Contact:** Thomas Morgan

**October 10: Boys & Girls**

St. Laurence O'Toole DCC  
Sport & Recreation Centre

**Contact:** Tommy Carberry

**October 11: Boys & Girls**

Cherry Orchard FC, Elmdale

**Contact:** Michael Moore

**October 11: Boys & Girls**

Darndale Community Hall

**Contact:** Jimmy Mowlds

**October 15: Boys & Girls**

Corduff Sports Centre

**Contact:** Martin Doyle

**October 17: Boys & Girls**

Aughrim Street Sports Centre

**Contact:** Ian Hill

**October 18: Boys**

**October 25: Girls**

Lucan Leisure Centre

**Contact:** Mark Connors/  
Stephen Rice

**October 23: Boys & Girls**

The Spawell Complex

**Contact:** JJ Glynn/Robert De  
Courcy

**October 23: Boys**

National Indoor Arena

**Contact:** Paul Keogh/Sharon  
Boyle

**October 25: Boys & Girls**

Irishtown Stadium

**Contact:** Jonathan Tormey

**November 12: Boys**

**November 13: Girls**

Clogher Rd Sports Centre

**Contact:** Marc Kenny

**November 13: Boys &  
Girls**

Trinity Comprehensive  
School, Ballymun

**Contact:** Paul Whelan

**November 15: Boys &  
Girls**

Leisure Point Fitness  
Centre, Finglas

**Contact:** Jamie Wilson

**December 7: Boys & Girls**

Inchicore Community Sports  
Centre

**Contact:** David Rake





# LEINSTER

## CARLOW

**November 21 & 29: Boys**  
St. Fiaccs Hall, Graiguecullen

**November 22 & 28: Girls**  
St. Fiaccs Hall, Graiguecullen

**Contact:** Garry Coady

## KILDARE

**November 6,7,13,14:**  
**Boys & Girls**  
The Mill, Celbridge

**November 21 & 22: Boys**  
**November 27 & 28: Girls**  
Kilcullen Hall

**Contact:** Pat Behan/Jim Crawford

## KILKENNY

**November 8: Girls**  
The Watershed, Kilkenny  
**November 9: Boys**  
The Watershed, Kilkenny

**Contact:** Darren Murray/  
William Kinsella

## LAOIS

**November 13: Boys & Girls**  
Portarlington

**November 14: Boys & Girls**  
Portlaoise

**Contact:** Nichole Doyle

## LONGFORD

**November 8: Boys**  
**November 9: Girls**  
Edgeworthstown  
Community Centre

**November 21: Boys**  
**November 22: Girls**  
Kenagh Community  
Centre

**November 28: Boys**  
**November 29: Girls**  
Edgeworthstown  
Community Centre

**Contact:** Graham Kane

## LOUTH

**October 23 & 24: Boys  
& Girls**  
DkIT Sports Centre,  
Dundalk

**Contact:** Michael Neville

## MEATH

**October 16 to 19: Boys  
& Girls**  
Gormanston Park

**Contact:** Barry Ferguson

## OFFALY

**October 26-30: Boys  
& Girls**  
Mucklagh Community  
Centre, Tullamore

**Contact:** Gary Seery

## WEXFORD

**October 24: Boys & Girls**  
Naomh Eanna GAA  
Complex

**October 24: Boys & Girls**  
Craanford GAA Complex

**October 25: Boys & Girls**  
St. Joseph's Community  
Centre, Wexford

**November 14: Boys & Girls**  
Bunclody AFC

**November 15: Boys & Girls**  
Horsewood GAA Club

**December 3: Boys & Girls**  
St. Joseph's Community  
Centre, Wexford

**December 5: Boys & Girls**  
St. Joseph's SFC,  
Kilmuckridge

**Contact:** William Doyle

## WICKLOW

**October 23: Boys & Girls**  
Shoreline Leisure Centre,  
Greystones

**October 25: Boys & Girls**  
Shamrock Park, Rathnew AFC

**October 26: Boys & Girls**  
Ballywaltrim Community  
Centre, Bray

**November 13: Boys & Girls**  
Allen Park, Aughrim

**November 14: Boys & Girls**  
St. Mary's School, Blessington

**November 15: Boys & Girls**  
Coral Leisure Centre, Arklow

**Contact:** Richie Fitzgibbon

## WESTMEATH

**November 27: Girls**  
**November 28: Boys**  
Moate Community Centre

**November 29: Girls**  
**November 30: Boys**  
Multyfarnham Community  
Centre

**Contact:** Paul Osam

# CONNACHT

## GALWAY

**October 9: Boys & Girls**  
Tuam Celtic FC

**October 10: Boys & Girls**  
Gort Community Centre

**October 11: Boys & Girls**  
Carraroe Community Centre

**Contact:** John Morris  
Burke

**October 21 & 22: Boys & Girls**  
Kingfisher, NUI Galway

**Contact:** Nigel Keady

## MAYO

**November 9: Boys**  
**November 16: Girls**  
Breaffy Sports Arena

**November 15: Girls**  
**November 22: Boys**  
Barnacarroll Sports Hall

**November 20: Boys & Girls**  
Lakeside Sports Gym,  
Ballinrobe

**November 21: Boys & Girls**  
CBD Complex,  
Charlestown

**November 27: Boys & Girls**  
Killala Community Centre

**November 28: Boys & Girls**  
Our Lady's Secondary  
School, Belmullet

**Contact:** Paul Byrne

## LEITRIM

**October 9: Boys & Girls**  
St. Hugh's NS, Dowra

**October 11: Boys & Girls**  
Manor Astro

**October 16: Boys & Girls**  
Ballinamore Sports Hall

**October 17: Boys & Girls**  
Mayflower Centre, Drumshambo

**October 18: Boys & Girls**  
Kinlough Community Facility

**Contact:** Damon Kearney

## ROSCOMMON

**October 23: Boys & Girls**  
Tarmon NS

**October 24: Boys & Girls**  
Creggs NS

**October 25: Boys & Girls**  
Loughglynn NS

**November 8: Boys & Girls**  
Summerhill NS

**Contact:** Adrian Carberry

## SLIGO

**October 10: Girls**  
IT Sligo

**October 17: Boys**  
IT Sligo

**Contact:** John Russell



# ULSTER

## CAVAN

**November 9: Boys & Girls**  
**November 16: Boys & Girls**  
**November 23: Boys & Girls**  
**November 30: Boys & Girls**  
Cavan Leisure Centre,  
Ardkeen

**Contact:** Thomas Heffernan

## DONEGAL

**October 12-16: Boys & Girls**  
Aura Leisure Centre,  
Letterkenny

**Contact:** Shane Barr

## MONAGHAN

**November 26: Boys & Girls**  
Coláiste Oiriall, Monaghan

**November 27: Boys & Girls**  
The Peace Link, Clones

**November 28: Boys & Girls**  
The Phoenix Centre,  
Carrickmacross

**Contact:** John Crudden



# MUNSTER

## CLARE

### October 8: Boys & Girls

North Clare Amenity Park,  
Lisdoonvarna

### October 9: Boys & Girls

Tulla United

### October 10: Boys & Girls

Clare Leisure World, Ennis

### October 11: Boys & Girls

Kilrush Astro Turf

### October 12: Boys & Girls

Ennistymon Community Centre

### October 19: Boys & Girls

Shannon Leisure Centre

**Contact:** Denis Hynes

## KERRY

### November 7: Boys

John Mitchel's Complex, Tralee

### November 9: Girls

John Mitchel's Complex, Tralee

### November 29: Boys

John Mitchel's Complex, Tralee

### November 20: Boys

Aura Centre, Killarney

### November 21: Girls

Aura Centre, Killarney

**Contact:** Darren Aherne

## LIMERICK

### October 22 & 23: Boys & Girls

Newcastlewest Community  
Centre

### October 25: Boys & Girls

Cappamore Community Centre

**Contact:** Barry McGann

### November 21 & 22: Boys & Girls

The Factory Youthspace

**Contact:** Barbara  
Birmingham/Jason O'Connor/  
Declan Considine

## CORK

### October 22: Boys & Girls

Bandon FC

### October 23-25: Boys & Girls

Midleton FC

### October 26: Boys & Girls

Mitchelstown LC

**Contact:** David Bell

### October 16 & 18: Boys & Girls

Mayfield Sports Complex

### October 23 & 25: Boys & Girls

Whitechurch & Waterloo  
Community Hall

**Contact:** Stephen O'Mahony

## TIPPERARY

### October 2: Boys & Girls

Newport Town AFC, Newport

### October 4: Boys & Girls

Ballymackey FC, Nenagh

### October 5: Boys & Girls

Killavilla United AFC, Roscrea

**Contact:** James Scott

### October 3: Boys & Girls

Peake Villa FC, Thurles

**Contact:** James Scott/Stephen

Quinn

### October 22: Boys & Girls

Canon Hayes Complex,  
Tipperary Town

### October 23: Boys & Girls

Cahir Park AFC, Cahir

### October 25: Boys & Girls

Clonmel Town FC, Clonmel

**Contact:** Stephen Quinn

## WATERFORD

### November 19, 21, 26-30:

Boys & Girls  
Waterford IT Arena

**Contact:** Gary Power/  
Michael Looby





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