

Mayo GAA Go Games 2025

Agenda;

- Welcome: Charlie Lambert
- Roll Call: Brian O'Malley
- Playing Games: Kieran Kilkenney
- Blitzes: Billy Mac Nicholas
- Calendar: Brian O'Malley
- Groupings: Brian O'Malley
- Q & A



OUTCOMES

- Define Go Games
- Explain Go Games Policy
- Describe the Principles of Go Games
- Define Go Games Blitz's, Rules and Pitch Layouts
- Go Games Event Application
- **No Approval, No Games**



WHAT ARE GO GAMES?

Definition - Go Games are modified small-sided versions of Hurling, Camogie, Gaelic Football and Ladies Gaelic Football which have been devised to cater for the developmental needs of children aged 7 to 12 years inclusive.





KEY PRINCIPLES UNDERPINNING GO GAMES



GO GAMES BLITZ DEFINITION & RULES

- A **blitz** is defined as “an event containing multiple teams and playing multiple games”
- There are **no knock-out rounds** (e.g. semi-finals, finals) in Go Games
- **There are no cups or trophies to be presented to any teams playing Go Games** including tournaments and commemorative events. Exception being finals day of U-12 County organized league programme.
- Where prizes (e.g. medals, certificates etc.) are being given out, every child participating should receive the same.



Go Games National Policy and Updated Policy

Go Games Tournaments

Club found to be in breach of national policy in organising Unauthorised Go Games Tournaments will be subject to Code 14.1 and the penalties prescribed therein for organising an unauthorised tournament. (Fine of €500 for host club and €250 for every club whom attends)

Update: Clubs found to be in breach of national policy in organising Unauthorised Go Games Tournaments will be subject to Code 14:1 and a suspension for the host club secretary for 8 weeks plus an 8 week ban for all subsequent secretaries of clubs who attend.

APPROVALS PROCESS

Internal County Blitz



Cross County Blitz

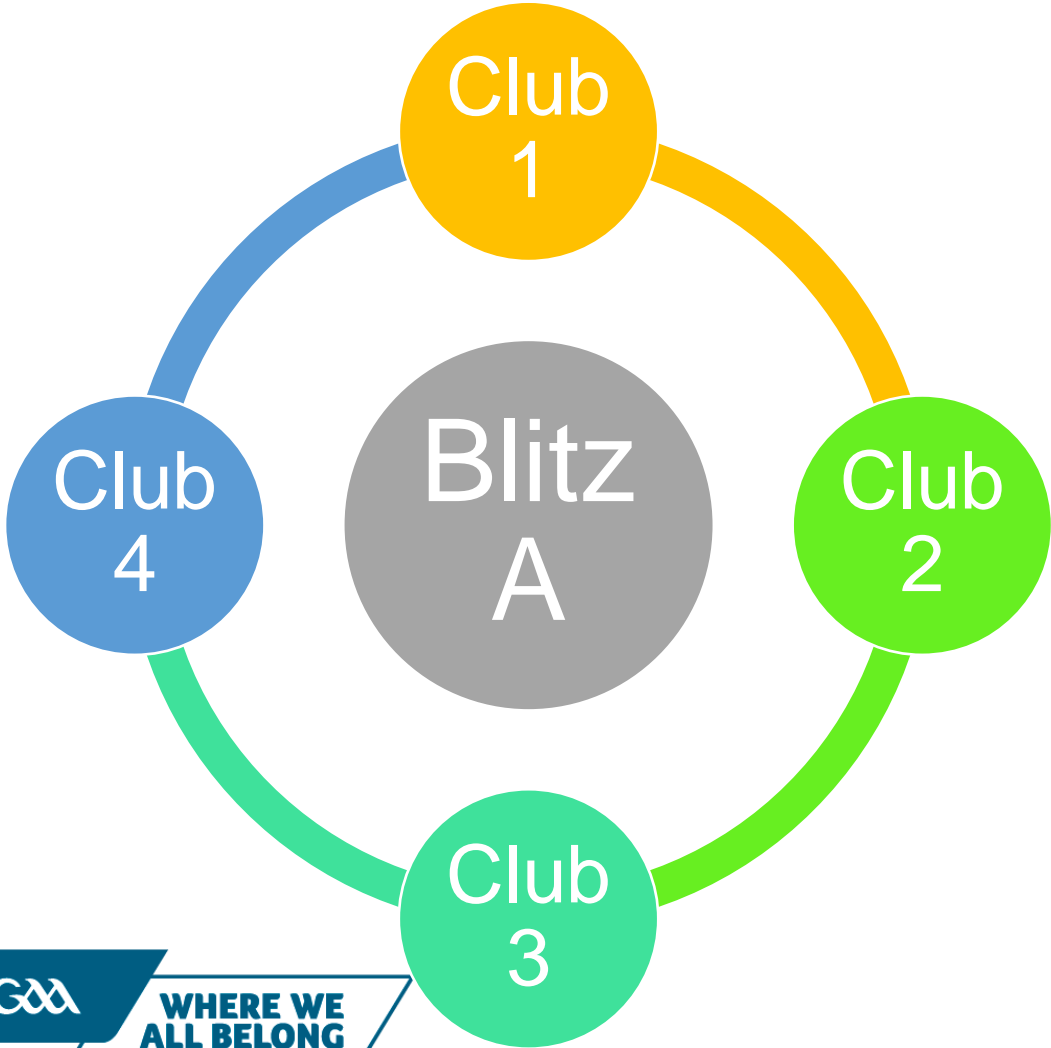


Cross Provincial Blitz



SAMPLE BLITZ DAY ORGANISATION

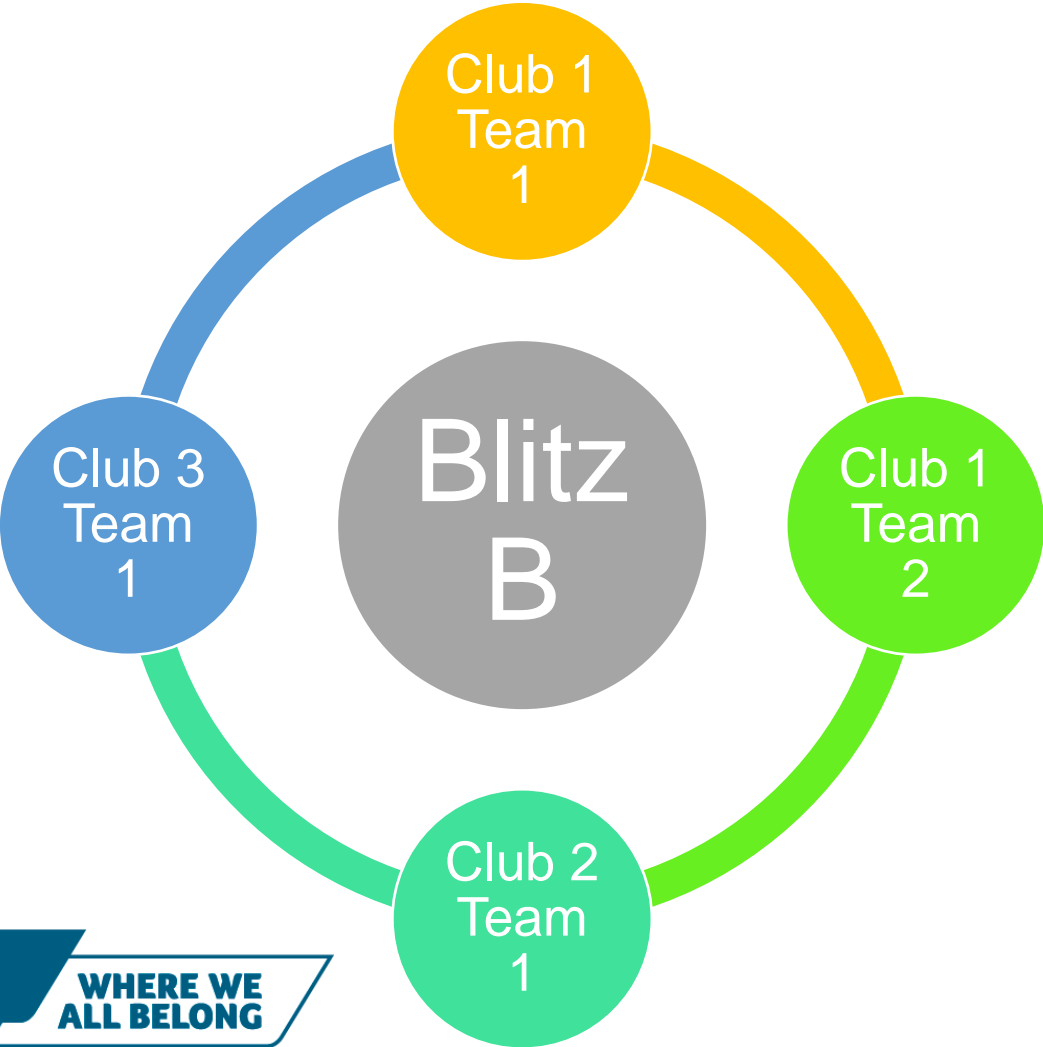
4 CLUBS WITH ONE TEAM EACH



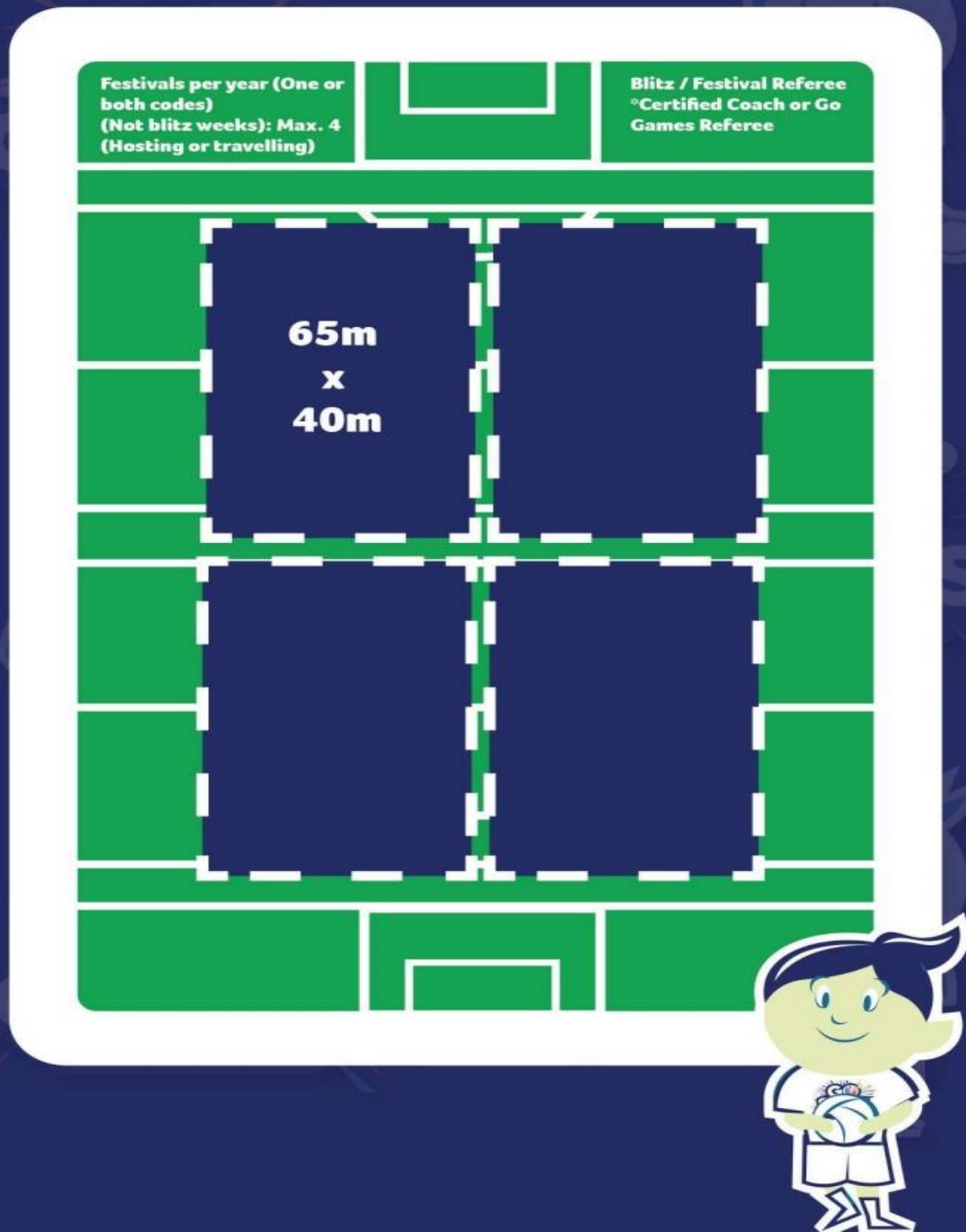
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Club 3	V	Club 4
Club 1	V	Club 3
Club 2	v	Club 4
Club 3	V	Club 2
Club 1	V	Club 4

SAMPLE BLITZ DAY ORGANISATION

3 CLUBS WITH DIFFERENT NUMBER OF TEAMS



Club 1 Team 1	V	Club 1 Team 2
Club 2 Team 1	V	Club 3 Team 1
Club 1 Team 1	V	Club 2 Team 1
Club 1 Team 2	v	Club 3 Team 1
Club 2 Team 1	V	Club 1 Team 2
Club 1 Team 1	V	Club 3 Team 1



Under -8



Team Sizes

Min. 5 v 5 Max. 8 v 8



Substitutions

Unlimited – Equal Game Time for All



Zones

2 Zones - Pitch split with cones across at halfway



Pitch Size

65 m. x 40 m.



Goal Size

Training poles or portable goals: Where available



Ball Size

Quick Touch



Football - In play rules

**One hop & one solo allowed
Standard: As per existing Association rule**



**Hurling/Camogie-
In play rules**

**One touch of ball on hurl permitted.
Standard. As per existing rules.**



Duration

10-minute blocks up to 50 Minutes



Restarts

**Side-line free from halfway to team that concedes score.
Puck/Kick outs from the hand on wide ball**



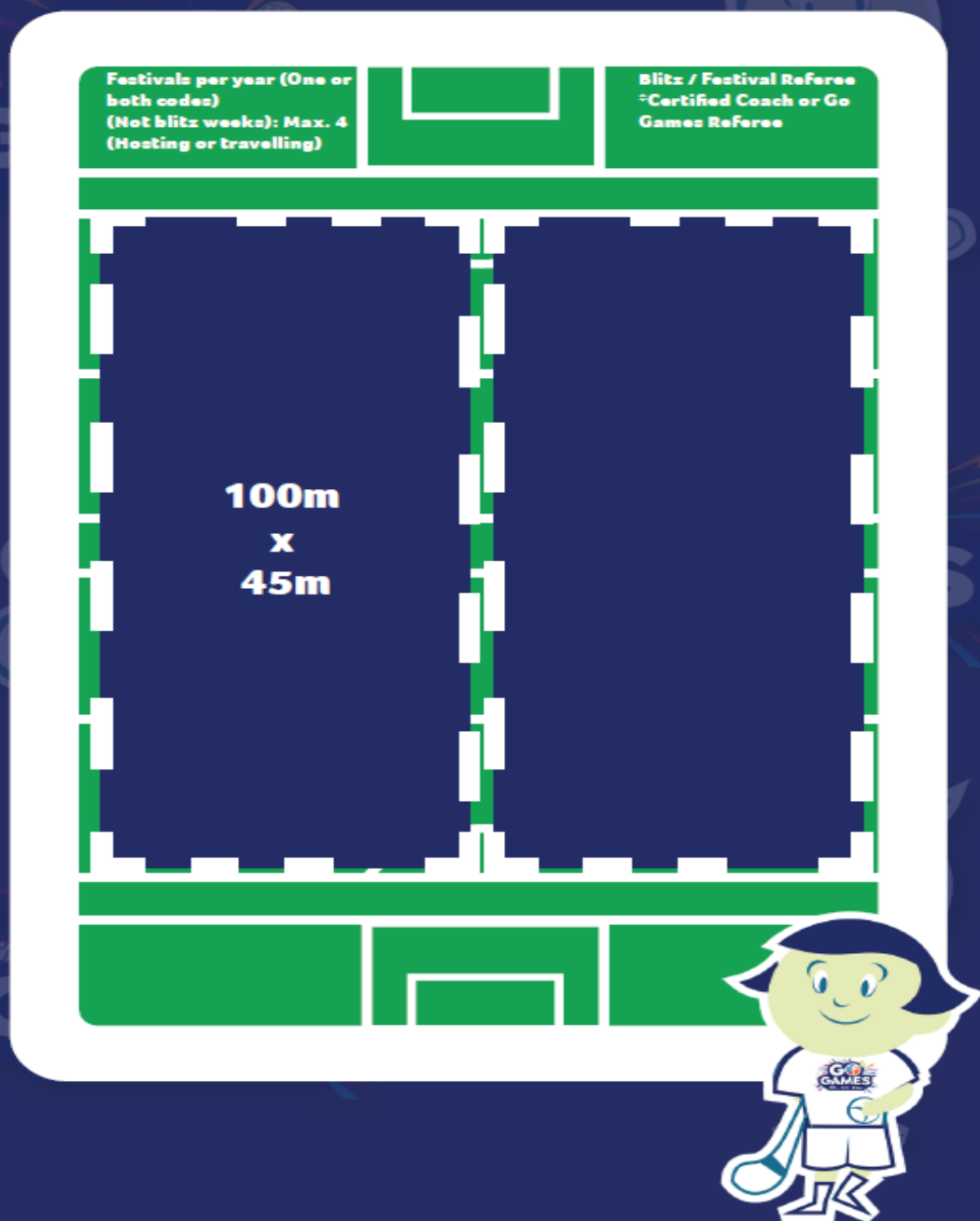
**Frees/Sidelines
Hurling/Camogie**

**Frees - Strike from the hand or lift and strike. Side-lines taken off the ground.
Player fouled or nearest player to take all. Players must be 10m away from
player taking. Modified 45/65 taken from the centre point of the halfway line**



**Frees/Sidelines
Football**

**All taken from the hands. Players 10m away. Player fouled
or nearest player to take**



Festivals per year (One or both codes)
(Not blitz weeks): Max. 4
(Hosting or travelling)

Blitz / Festival Referee
= Certified Coach or Go Games Referee

100m
x
45m

Under -10



Team Sizes

Min 6 v 6 Max. 10 v 10



Substitutions

Unlimited – Equal Game Time for All



Zones

None



Pitch Size

100 m. x 45 m.



Goal Size

Portable goals



Ball Size

Smart Touch



Football - In play rules

One hop & one solo allowed
Standard: As per existing Association rule



Hurling/Camogie-
In play rules

One touch of ball on hurl permitted. Standard. As per existing rules. Additional rules can be modified to meet local needs.



Duration

2 x 10 minutes x 3 games



Restarts

Puck/Kick outs from the hand



Frees/Sidelines
Hurling/Camogie

Frees/ Side-lines – Normal rules. Players must be 10m away from player taking. Modified 45/65 taken from the centre point of the halfway line



Frees/Sidelines
Football

Frees/45's/ Side-lines – Normal rules. Players must be 10m away from player taking.

GO GAMES BLITZ DAY ORGANISATION

- Apply to Assistant secretary for Go Games Blitz approval (if not part of the official county games programme)
- Only club secretary or recognised Bord na nÒg secretary may apply for permission.
- Every team to get a minimum of 3 games
- Teams should play at similar ability
- Teams to be split by Age where possible.

Dates For Go Games & Blitzes



• U10 Dates

- Games Rd. 1 - 10th May
- Games Rd. 2 - 24th May
- Games Rd. 3 – 5th July
- Games Ex. - 25th July
- Games Ex. - 8th August
- Blitz 1 – 7th June
- Blitz 2 – 21st June
- Blitz 3 – 19th July
- Blitz 4 – 2nd August
- Blitz 5 – 16th August
- Blitz 6 – 30th August
- C.O.E. Blitz - 6th Sept

• U8 Dates

- Games Rd. 1 – 17th May
- Games Rd. 2 – 31st May
- Games Rd. 3 – 28th June
- Games Rd. 4 – 12th July
- Games Rd. 5 – 26th July
- Games Rd. 7 – 9th August
- Blitz 1 – 14th June
- Blitz 2 – 23rd August
- C.O.E. Blitz - 13th Sept



- **Group 3**

- Ballina Stephenites 56*
- Ardnaree Sarsfields 39
- Beal an Mhuirthead 35
- Crossmolina DR 29

- **Group 5**

- Davitts 35*
- Kiltimagh 32*
- Carras 28*
- Ballyhaunis 20*

- **Group 1**

- Bonniclonlon 30*
- Naomh Padraig 27
- Cill Chomain 24*

- **Group 6**

- Erris St.Pats 22*
- Lahardane MacHales 20*
- Achill 11*
- Ardmoy 10*

- **Group 10**

- Ballintubber 28
- Balla 25
- Burrishoole 24
- Tuar Mhic Éadaigh 14

- **Group 8**

- Louisburg 23
- Kilmeena 20
- Islandeady 18
- Mayo Gaels 15

- **Group 9**

- Knockmore 25
- Moy Davitts 32
- Swinford 24
- Charlestown Sarsfield 23

- **Group 4**

- Westport St.Patrick's 90
- Castlebar Mitchells 50
- Breaffy 43
- Ballinrobe 35

- **Group 7**

- Claremorris 33
- The Neale 25
- HollymountCarramore 21
- Shrile Glencorrib 20

- **Group 2**

- Aghamore 18
- Parke K.C. 18
- Eastern Gaels 16
- Ballaghaderreen 15*
- Kilmovee Shamrock 12*



- **Group 4**
- Westport St.Patricks 82
- Ballina Stephenites 73*
- Castlebar Mitchels 50
- Ballintubber 48*
- Bèal an Mhuirthead 45*
- Breaffy 40
- **Group 7**
- Claremorris 45*
- Davitts 40*
- Kiltimagh 33*
- Ballinrobe 30
- The Neale 28*
- Shrule Glencorrib 25*
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- Carras 18*
- Mayo Gaels 17
- Kilmovee Shamroc 7*
- Ballyhaunis 14*
- Ballaghaderreen 14*
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- Crossmolina D.R. 26
- Ardnaree 25
- Knockmore 20





Questions & Answers



WHERE WE
ALL BELONG