



**GAA**

**Playing Rule  
Differences**

## Rule differences between the LGFA and the GAA

### 1. Kickout after a wide ball:



Either off the ground, from a tee or from the hands from the 13m line



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### 2. Kickout after a score:



Either off the ground from a tee or from the hands from the 20m line



Either off the ground or from a tee from the 13m line

### 3. Ball received from kickout by player inside 20m line:



Free out from 20m line opposite where foul occurred if forward inside and free in from 20m line if defender inside



Free out from 20m line opposite where foul occurred if forward inside, cancel kick out and throw in the ball on the 20m line in front of the scoring space if defender inside. These apply when player inside before kick out but they may travel inside 20m line after ball is kicked and continue play once ball has travelled 13m.

### 4. Kickout taken from wrong place (not from scoring area):



Retake once but if reoccurs it is free in from where foul occurred



Cancel kick out and throw in the ball on the 20m line in front of the scoring space

### 5. Line ball kick taken from wrong place:



Retake kick



Throw in ball 13m in from the side line

6. Kicker crosses the line on to the pitch when taking sideline kick:



No action...play on



Throw in ball 13m in from the sideline

7. Free kick taken from the wrong position:



Retake kick from correct position



Throw in ball

8. Free kick taken from within 2 or 3 metres of correct position:



No action... play on



Throw in ball

9. Free kicked to colleague not 13m from the ball:



Free kick to opposition from where the ball was received



Free kick to opposition from where the foul occurred

10. Taking a 45m kick:



Off the ground from 45m line opposite where the ball crossed the end line in grades from under 15 upwards. In grades below players have option of taking it off the ground or from their hands



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11. Lifting the ball off the ground without putting foot to the ball:



No action as long as girl in standing position



Free to the opposition

12. Lifting the ball with the knees:



No action



Free to the opposition

13. Touching the ball on the ground with the hand while in a standing position:



No action as long as the player is in a standing position



Free to the opposition

14. Player on the ground playing the ball:



May play the ball away from herself and may score by doing so however player cannot pull the ball into her possession



A player who falls or is knocked to the ground while in possession of the ball may fist or palm the ball away on the ground, and may score by so doing.

15. Shoulder to shoulder contact:



Free to opposition and red card if deliberate charge



No action...legal move

16. Deliberate body contact:



Free, Yellow or Red card depending on offence



Depending on contact may be a Free, Noting, Yellow or Red card

17. Handpass:



Show striking action only in any direction



With a definite underhand striking action

18. Square ball (old rule):



Applies at all times



Only applies from free kick/45m free situation

19. Solo bouncing run where ball is not caught:



May use one or both hands to bounce the ball



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20. Commencement of play after injury stoppage:



Team in possession at stoppage retain possession and may not score direct from kick. Where no team had clear possession it is a throw in ball



Team in possession at stoppage retain possession and may not score direct from free kick. Where on team had possession it is a throw in ball

**21.** Player shown first Yellow Card:



Player booked plus sin-binned for 10 minutes playing time



Player booked only

**22.** Inciting an affray:



Red card offence



Contributing to a melee – Red card infraction

**23.** Racist language/gestures:



Red card offence



Yellow card for threatening or using abusive or provocative language or gestures to an opponent

**24.** Pulling an opponent or colleague's hair:



Red card offence



No exact rule, presumably Rough (Yellow) or Dangerous (Red)

**25.** Award a throw ball for offence inside 13m line:



Throw ball on 13m line



Throw ball on 20m line

**26.** Goalkeeper replacement for penalty/injury:



Player replacing goal keeper has the option to have full goal keeper privileges if she wears a distinctive jersey.



No rule in book for this situation, however the goalkeeper shall wear a distinctive coloured jersey

**27.** Numbers necessary to commence and finish a game a 15-a-side game:



11 to start but teams may finish with less players or more if bring team up to 15 as the game progresses



13 to start but 15 by the start of the second half. In the event of failure to comply the game shall continue

**28.** Cards



Yellow (Sin Bin) and Red Card Offences



Yellow Card, Black Card and Red Card Offences

## Extra differences

(These do not affect actions of referee during the game)



<b>Team sheets</b>	In either English or Irish	In Irish
<b>Extra Time</b>	1 period only and possible 30m kicks	1 period only
<b>Subs in extra time</b>	5 allowed in each period	3 allowed
<b>Size of ball</b>	Size 4 for under 14's and upwards	Size 5 for minors and upwards
<b>Under 14 games duration</b>	30 minute halves	20 mins halves
<b>Senior inter-county games duration</b>	30 minute halves	35 minute halves
<b>Size of pitch for underage games</b>	Under 14 and upwards must use full sized pitch for 15-a-side games	Shortened pitch allowed for games up to under 15
<b>League points</b>	3 for a win, 1 for a draw	2 for win, 1 for a draw
<b>Panel size</b>	30 players	25 players
<b>Wearing support shorts</b>	Compression shorts may be worn but must be shorter than playing shorts	No objections