

Insert for Clár na gComórtas 2023

Rialacha Fleadhanna Ceoil ules amended at Congress 2022

Rule 26 Grúpaí Ceoil (All Age Groups) amended to read as follows

- Each group shall perform its own choice of music for a minimum of 6 minutes and a maximum of 8 minutes, but with a limit of 10 minutes on stage. In competitions for Grúpaí Ceoil, whistlers and lilters may be included, as well as players of bodhrán and bones, but piano and drums are not permitted.
- Special attention should be paid to selection of tunes and efforts should be made to play tunes other than jigs, reels and hornpipes, e.g. slow airs, set dances, marches, flings, mazurkas, polkas, slides, schottisches, planxties, barn dances, clan marches, harp music and waltzes etc. to provide as much variety as possible. Slow airs need not be played by a solo performer.
- The programme presented by all Grúpaí Ceoil must be from within the Irish traditional idiom.
- All Grúpaí Ceoil are required, as part of their programme, to perform at least one dance tune, played at least once in unison by all members of the group who play melodic instruments as listed in Rialacha for solo instruments competitions 1-13 with the exception of piano. Non melodic instruments may continue playing throughout.
- The group shall perform its own choice of music for a period of 6 to 8 minutes. 2 marks shall be deducted for each minute or part thereof, in excess of 8 minutes or less than 6 minutes as determined by the adjudicator.
- Attention should also be given to instrumental arrangements and presentation of the music
- A list of music pieces in the order to be played, e.g. slip jig, march, etc and a list of instruments shall be submitted by each group leader to the competition clerk prior to the performance.

Rule 36 is amended to read

Competitors must perform in person at the competition venue and compete in the order in which they are called by the Call Steward. A competitor who fails to present himself/herself when called for a specific competition, and who has not notified the Call Steward on duty, of a just cause for his/her absence, shall be disqualified from the competition.