

Ceol - Rince - Amhránaíocht - Scéalaíocht - Storytelling - Aithriseoireacht

AIMS: (A) To establish standards (B) To provide inter-branch activity
(C) To involve as many as possible of the branch members.

Competitions:

1Z	Wind	Z (Faoi 11)	9Z	Duets	Z (Faoi 11)
1Y	Wind	Y (11-14)	9Y	Duets	Y (11-14)
2Z	Reed	Z (Faoi 11)	10Z	Quartette	Z (Faoi 11)
2Y	Reed	Y (11-14)	10Y	Quartette	Y (11-14)
3Z	String	Z (Faoi 11)	11X	Céilí Band	X (Faoi 14 & 2)
3Y	String	Y (11-14)	12Z	Set Dancing Mixed	Z (Faoi 11)
4Z	Amhránaíocht	Z (Faoi 11)	12Y	Set Dancing Mixed	Y (11-14)
4Y	Amhránaíocht	Y (11-14)	13Z	Set Dancing Girls	Z (Faoi 11)
5Z	Singing	Z (Faoi 11)	13Y	Set Dancing Girls	Y (11-14)
5Y	Singing	Y (11-14)	14X	Polka/Jig set Mixed	X (Faoi 14)
6Z	Scéalaíocht	Z (Faoi 11)	15Z	8 Hand Céilí	Z (Faoi 11)
6Y	Scéalaíocht	Y (11-14)	15Y	8 Hand Céilí	Y (11-14)
7Z	Storytelling	Z (Faoi 11)	16Z	4 Hand Céilí	Z (Faoi 11)
7Y	Storytelling	Y (11-14)	16Y	4 Hand Céilí	Y (11-14)
8Z	Recitation of a poem	Z (Faoi 11)	17Z	Polka/Slide Playing	Z (Faoi 11)
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PÍOSAÍ CEOIL/ MUSIC PIECES/CLASSES

Ceol/ Music 2 contrasting pieces from Clár na gComórtas listing of tunes.

Duets & Quartettes: Instrument Detail to be shown on entry form to County.

Duet shall comprise of two melody instruments. Quartette shall comprise of four melody instruments.

Polka/Slide playing (new competition for 2023/24): Competitors to perform one polka and one slide from the Munster tradition

U14 Céilí Bands: Two contrasting tunes, from Clár na gComórtas listing. (Minimum Six, Maximum Ten Performers). The number of musicians playing in the Band at the qualifying round, shown on the Co. Results form, may not be increased for the Munster Finals. (Céilí Bands are responsible for bring their own electric keyboard as a piano will not be provided)

Singing/Amhránaíocht: (4) Amhránaíocht ar an sean-nós (5) Traditional songs in English
2 songs - one fast and one slow in each competition (note, a song from the competitor's own county may earn a bonus of 5 marks at the adjudicator's discretion). - no list required

Scéalaíocht & Storytelling: Minimum of 4 minutes to a maximum of 8 minutes.(as per Fleadh Rules 2020)

Dán a Aithriseoireacht /Recitation of a Poem (In Irish or English or Bi-lingual) Poem to be Irish in character or in the Irish language. Maximum- 5 minutes

Rince Seit:
(12) Traditional Set: Mixed Teams (4 boys & 4 Girls) - 2 parts of any Munster Set
(13) All Girls Team: 2 parts of any Munster Set (Munster Sets ONLY allowed)
(14) Munster POLKA /JIG SETS Mixed U 14 Set only (min of 2 boys, max of 4 boys).
The two parts will be chosen from a choice of Jig/Slide/Polka from the same Munster set

Names of all sets being danced must be shown on entry form to County and follow on to Munster

Rince Céilí (14) 8 Hand Céilí Dance (15) 4 Hand Céilí Dance

Céilí Dancing Teams: may comprise of any combination: Any number of boys up to a maximum of four in 8 Hand Dance and the remainder made up of girls. (This is different to Fleadh Cheoil Competition)

Competitors should note that the objective of the competition is to provide a platform and an outlet for Branch members involved in Céilí and Set dancing. The emphasis should be on the traditional approach to dancing in costume and footwear.

Céilí dancing: Body, one figure, & Body of Céilí Dance (as per Ár Rincí Chéilí 2014) –

Humours of Bandon: Dancers to perform Body, first figure in full (1st couple, body, 2nd couple) and Body.

Sweets of May: Dancers to perform: Circle, Body, next figure, i.e. Lead around, Body.

Names of all Céilí Dances being danced must be shown on entry form to County

Music for Set/Céilí Dancing Competitions: All Céilí teams must dance to the music provided for Céilí competitions. Musician also to be available for set dancing teams, if required, or Set teams may also bring their own musician who must use the PA system provided by committee. All set musicians must wear a wristband.

AGE GROUPS: There will be two age groups: Under 11 & 11/14

January 1st of the year in which the competition commences will be regarded as the qualifying date in respect of age limit. (i.e. **January 2023** for this year's competition)

Quartette: Under 11 & 11-14

Céilí Bands: Under 14 may have up to 2 musicians under 17 yrs.

In Duets & Quartettes, an under 11 competitor may opt for a higher age group **but may compete in one age group** only for that competition.

8 Hand Céilí and Set Dancing: In the Under 14 grade each team may include two dancers from the Under 11 years competing team. Where no under 11 teams competes, the under 14 team may be comprised of 50% under and 50% over 11 years

STRUCTURE; The County Board is responsible within the County. Comhairle na Mumhan is responsible within the Province. **County Finals:** To be completed by **mid-January 2024.**

ELIGIBILITY NOTE: Competitors are Confined to registered members of **one Branch** -

Competitors are not eligible to compete at Co. Level unless registered CCÉ Members with Co. Board, for **2023-2024** at the time of submitting entries. Counties should ensure that all relevant membership for qualifiers will have been submitted to Comhairle na Mumhan with the Co. Results within 7 days of Co. Competition. Competitors may be members of ONE Branch only at the time and may compete with one Branch only in Ceol an Gheimhridh. Competitors may only compete ONCE in any competition.

Please note: solo qualifiers to Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann 2023 from Fleadh na Mumhan 2023 are ineligible to compete in this years Ceol an Gheimhridh on the category in which they competed in Fleadh na hÉireann. (e.g a competitor who qualified from Fleadh na Mumhan on fiddle is ineligible to enter the strings competition in Ceol an Gheimhridh 2023/24 etc). This applies to solo competitors in Strings, Wind, Reed, Singing, Amhránaíocht, Storytelling and Scéalaíocht only.

QUALIFIERS;

1st and 2nd go forward from County to Provincial Final. **No Recommendations allowed.**

Competitors representing a County must perform and qualify within the county prior to the Provincial competition. 'Nominations' are not permissible

All dancing teams, Quartettes, Duets & Céilí Bands are requested to compete in the order as shown in Clár

SUBSTITUTION: **Substitution is allowed as follows:** substitutes must be registered members of the relevant branch and registered with Comhairle na Mumhan at the date of the Munster competition

Quartettes, 4 hands Céilí dance ONE substitute allowed.

Sets & 8 Hand Céilí dance TWO substitutes allowed.

Céilí Bands: TWO substitutes allowed provided minimum of 8 members, otherwise ONE substitute.

NO SUBSTITUTION IN OTHER COMPETITIONS.

Finance: All competitors will pay an admission fee at all competition venues

Objection: Any objection on the grounds of non-compliance with the rules should be lodged in writing with the secretary of the organising unit within 3 days of the competition.