

GRADING ELIGIBILITY

ALL GRADES MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF 4 DOUBLES ENTRIES GRADES NOT MEETING THIS WILL BE AMALGAMATED

- **Men's Open Singles:** Players must be eligible to play in the Inter County Senior Championship Grade (Senior, Intermediate, Junior or Under 21 players). Previous A grade winners must play Open. Players must be 17 years of age or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Ladies' Open Singles:** Players must be eligible to play in the Inter County Senior Championship Grade (Senior, Intermediate, Junior). Previous A grade winners must play Open. Players must be 17 years of age or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Men's A Doubles:** Open to Intermediate players and lower & players that have won the Mens B Doubles in previous years. Must not have won a Mens A Doubles (or above) in Irish Nationals. Must be 17 years of age or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Ladies' A Doubles:** Open to Intermediate players and lower & players that have won the Ladies' B Doubles in previous years. Must not have won a Ladies' A Doubles (or above) in Irish Nationals. Must be 17 years of age or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Men's B Doubles:** Open to Intermediate & Junior Players or Lower (only 1 Intermediate player allowed in a doubles team, i.e. two Intermediate players cannot team up together). Must not have won a Men's B Doubles (or above) in Irish Nationals. Must be 17 years of age or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Ladies' B Doubles:** Open to Intermediate & Junior Players or Lower (only 1 Intermediate player allowed in a doubles team, i.e. two Intermediate players cannot team up together). Must not have won a Ladies' B Doubles (or above) in Irish Nationals. Must be 17 years of age or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Men's C Doubles:** Must be eligible to play Junior B Grade. Must not have won a Mens C Doubles (or above) or any 15&U, 17&U, 19&U in Irish Nationals Must be 17 years of age or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Ladies C Doubles:** Must be eligible to compete in the Ladies Junior C Grade 60x30. Must not have won a Ladies B/C Doubles (or above) or underage grades 15&U,17&U, 19&U in Irish Nationals. Must be 17 years of age or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Men's Challenger Doubles:** Must be eligible to play Junior C Grade in all codes. Must not have won a Men's Challenger event (or above) or any 15&U, 17&U, 19&U in Irish Nationals Must be 17 years of age or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Ladies Challenger Doubles:** Must be eligible to compete in the Ladies Junior C Grade in all codes. Must not have won a Ladies Challenger event (or above) or underage grades 15&U,17&U, 19&U in Irish Nationals. Must be 17 years of age or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Ladies Mothers & Others A Doubles:** Must be 30 or over on 1st January 2026, playing less than two years, and must not have competed in any formalised competition from Ladies C grades and above in any code, and must not have won a Mothers & Others A Event.
- **Ladies Mothers & Others B Doubles:** Must be 30 or over on 1st January 2026, playing less than one year, and must not have competed in any formalised competition from Ladies C grades and above in any code, and must not have won a Mothers & Others B Event.

- **Men's Masters Doubles:** Must be 40 or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Ladies Masters Doubles:** Must be 40 or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Masters B Doubles:** Must be eligible to play Overage B Grades. Must be 40 or over on 1st January 2026. Must not have won a Masters B Doubles or Older Overage titles in Irish Nationals.
- **Ladies' Masters B Doubles:** Must be eligible to play Overage B Grades. Must be 40 or over on 1st January 2026. Must not have won a Masters B Doubles or Older Overage titles in Irish Nationals.
- **Silver Masters Doubles:** Must be 45 or over on 1st January 2026. Must be eligible to play Silver Masters Grades.
- **Silver Masters B Doubles:** Must be eligible to play Silver Masters B & older B Grades. Must be 45 or over on 1st January 2026. Must not have won a Silver Masters B Doubles or Older Overage B titles in Irish Nationals.
- **Golden Masters Doubles:** Must be 50 or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Golden Masters B Doubles:** Must be eligible to play Golden Masters B or older B grades. Must be 50 or over on 1st January 2026. Must not have won a Golden Masters B or older Overage B Doubles title in Irish Nationals.
- **Emerald Masters Doubles:** Must be 55 or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Emerald Masters B Doubles:** Must be eligible to play Emerald Masters B or older B grades. Must be 55 or over on 1st January 2026. Must not have won a Emerald Masters B or older Overage B Doubles title in Irish Nationals.
- **Diamond Masters Doubles:** Must be 60 or over on 1st January 2026.
- **Diamond Masters B Doubles:** Must be eligible to play Diamond Masters B. Must be 60 or over on 1st January 2026. Must not have won a Diamond Masters B in Irish Nationals.
- **Ruby Masters Doubles:** Must be 65 or over on Saturday 1st January 2026.
- **Over 70's Doubles:** Must be 70 or over on Saturday 1st January 2026.

Please note:

- Entries will only be accepted through the online system and can be paid for by credit card, laser card.
- No entries can be accepted after the closing date. **Sunday the 26th April 2026, Midnight.**
- Players can only enter one grade.
- All matches in the Softball Adult Nationals will be 2 games to 15 and tie-break to 11, this may change subject to the numbers that enter.
- The 60x30 Balls to be used and will be as per our Official Handball & Equipment Guide.
- GAA Handball reserves the right to amend grades or entries if they feel it is necessary.
- If numbers are under four entries in certain grades, that grade will not be run, with that grade being merged with another grade.
- By entering this competition, you automatically agree to be available to play on this weekend as above.

- By entering this competition, you automatically agree to, if covered, shown, and shared on all media coverage of the event, both live broadcasting and GAA Handball social media Sites.
- Please note you will get a conformation email back from clubforce.com to confirm that your entry was successful. If you do not receive this email confirmation, then you must complete the registration process again.
- Please note if entries are low then a round robin will be run, if numbers are larger then there will be a main cup event with a plate competition in all events subject to the required numbers entering.
- **GAA Handballs decision will be the final in such matters.**