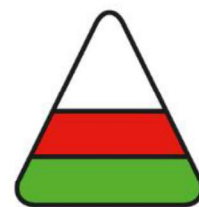


Urdd Sport Competition Rules

2024-25

Primary Schools Competitions



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Genral Rules for Chwaraeon yr Urdd Competitions

1) Order of the day

The majority of competitions will be held during the school day and teams will be asked to register from 09:00 with the first games starting at 10:00. We ask that schools are punctual to ensure that the event runs on time. The officer running the event will share details regarding the finishing times with you prior to the event. Schools must be able to complete all of the games to be able to progress in the tournament and to qualify for the national finals.

2) Group game points

The following points structure will be adopted at each regional competition:

3 points for a win | 1 point for a draw | 0 points for losing a game

If teams are level on points within a group after all group games are finished, the following will determine who progresses:

- 1: Goals Scored (the team with the most goals scored wins)
- 2: Goals Conceded (the team with the least goals conceded wins)
- 3: Head to head results between the drawing teams
- 4: Coin toss between the two coaches

If a team withdraws from the competition before completing every group game, a 'bye' will be given for each game that they have played and are scheduled to play. A standard score will be given to each game recorded as a bye.

In the event of having to calculate the best 2nd place team where groups are uneven, the following will determine who progresses:

1. Number of games lost
2. Number of games drawn
3. Average of the goals scored
4. Average of the goals conceded
5. Toss of a coin

3) Final round results (different rule for cricket)

The winner of a game in the final rounds will progress to the next round, the losing team are out of the tournament.

If scores are level after full time in the final rounds, then the game will go to golden goal/try (except for Netball which will have extra-time before the golden goal). A coin toss before the extra time/golden goal will need to be done to find out who holds possession. In the football competitions, a penalty shoot-out will proceed the golden goal – best of 5 penalties and then knock out penalties if still even. In the rugby and netball, if a winner isn't determined by golden goal within the allotted time, a coin toss will decide the game, this will be done between both coaches.

4) Players

Each competition allows for a maximum of 12 in a squad.

Individuals from Year 4 are able to play in the football, netball and Tag rugby competitions for years 5-6 if an extra player is needed to make a team. The school will need to gain consent from the parent of the child that is in Yr.4 and return a signed letter to allow them to take part. Please contact your local sport officer for a copy of the consent letter.

Year 4 students are not allowed to take part in the open rugby competition for Yrs. 5-6. Students in year 2 are not allowed to take part in any of the competitions for Yrs.3-4.

The Urdd Primary Schools sports competitions offer a female category, mixed and an open category. Participants can compete within the category they identify with most. To see the Urdd sport competitions transgender statement please follow the link:
<https://bit.ly/DatganiadCystadlaethau>

Mixed Competition: Please see how many boys and girls need to be in each team

Open Competition: Teams can be made up of any combination of boys and girls (teams can be made up of all girls or all boys)

Schools that are within a federation must comply with the Urdd Sport departments ruling to be able to take part: [Federation School Rule](#)

Teams must arrive with at least 7 players (except for 50|50 Cricket). In the event that a team doesn't have 7 players due to injury or illness on the day, both teams must start the game with an even number of players.

If a player receives a red card during a game, they will be sent off for the rest of the game and will not be allowed to play again during the tournament.

5) Substitutes

There isn't a limit on the number of substitutes a team can make, subs must be made during a break in play and the referee must be happy and aware of the change. Any substitutions in a Netball tournament must be made at half time (please see the rule below).

Any player that leaves the pitch due to a head injury must be assessed by the first aid team before being allowed to play again. It's the responsibility of the teacher/coach to make sure the player is assessed.

6) Urdd Membership

Everyone that takes part in an Urdd sport competition must be a member of the Urdd. We'd like to remind you that any student that receives financial support is able to become a member of the Urdd for £1. The Urdd are able to invoice the school if they are to find out that students taking part in the competitions aren't members of the Urdd. For further details on how individuals can become members of the Urdd, please follow the link:
<https://www.urdd.cymru/en/join/>

7) Referees and Umpires

The referees decision **is final**. If any individuals or teams are disrespectful towards staff. Volunteers or referees/umpires it could lead to the team losing their place in the competition. Read more about our code of conduct here: <https://bit.ly/3qLe8ne>

Referees/umpires and Urdd staff are able to adapt the playing rules to meet the standard of play and the weather conditions.

8) Scoring

Referees will score games (except for Netball where teachers will do so). Coaches/teachers must sign the score card following each game. If there are any disagreements over the score between coaches, the Urdd staff or referee/umpires decision is final.

9) Medical

Teams must understand that there is an inherent risk of injury attached to participating in sport competitions. We ask that teams bring with them a simple first aid kit.

The Urdd will make sure that there is sufficient First Aid cover at each competition. It's the teachers responsibility to make sure that this service is used and that any health concerns are assessed.

Teams must contact the Urdd mentioning any relevant health conditions of people attending the event.

The referee/umpire or Urdd staff are permitted to prevent players from playing if they are worried for their safety.

10) Kit

No items of jewellery, including earrings, or sharp items in the hair are permitted to be worn apart from for medical reasons.

Players must wear appropriate sports wear, which includes shoes/boots depending on the playing surface.

11) General

The Urdd must be made aware of any pupil(s) who do not want to have their photo taken. More information is available on The Urdd's Photography Policy: https://www.urdd.cymru/files/8617/1984/4910/Telerau_ac_amodau_2024-25.pdf

Most competitions will take place in public spaces. It's the responsibility of the coaches/teachers to make sure that their students behave during the competition. We ask that schools put all of their rubbish in the bins provided.

It's the school's responsibility to make sure that the ratio of teachers/coaches to students is at the required level. We ask that there is at least one teacher/coach per team.

It's the responsibility of the coach/teacher to make sure that their team is next to the pitch on time. We ask that teams are ready by the pitch/court at least 5 mins before their next game so that they can decide who will take the kick off/centre pass.

If teams are late, they are at risk of losing the game that they are scheduled to play.

The Urdd will confirm if parents/spectators are allowed to attend the competitions or not. The Urdd have the right to refuse entry to parents/spectators. Any communication regarding the competition should be made by the school, the Urdd will not except complaints from parents or spectators.

12) Fair Play

We'd like to thank you for showing interest in our sport competitions. These competitions are designed to develop sport skills but also the social skills of the young people of Wales and sharing the importance of fair play. Please support us with this aim and contribute to a positive and respectful atmosphere for those taking part.

Good luck and enjoy!

50/50 Cricket

Rules and Scoresheet

The game consists of:

- 10 players per game: 12 in a squad
- Year 3 & 4 students only
- Each player bats for 5 balls
- Each player bowls 5 balls
- The game is for 50 balls per team
- Each person bats with a partner and runs between the wicket together
- The fielding team rotates clockwise after every 5 balls

Batting

- Each pair bats for 10 balls – both batters must face 5 balls each
- When batting you must run to score ALL your runs
- There are NO boundaries. (unless availability of space requires boundaries to be put in place)
- The batsman must run to the stumps at the non-striking end to score a run. The player or the players bat (the batter must be holding the bat), reach the line of the stumps for the run to be scored.

Bowling

- Each person bowls for five balls
- Each ball may be bowled underarm or over arm (the bowling arm must stay straight when bowling over arm) – see the scoring section to see the advantage of bowling overarm
- The ball must bounce no more than twice in front of the batsman in his/her normal stance
- Any ball above shoulder height in normal standing position will be deemed as a no ball
- Any ball bowled wide of the cones placed each side of the stumps will be deemed as a wide ball – if a batter hits a wide ball then it does not count as a wide ball.

Playing Area

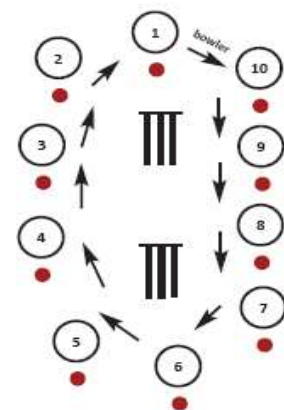
- Two sets of stumps will be placed 15 meters apart
- Two cones either side of the stumps will be used as a guide for wide balls and for the batters as they are collecting runs.

Fielding

- Each person rotates clockwise after each 5 balls are bowled to give everyone a chance to field in each position

Scoring

- Each team starts at 50 runs
- 5 runs are deducted if a wicket is taken and the bowler used the over arm technique (bowled, run out or caught). 3 runs are deducted if a wicket is taken and the bowler used the under arm technique.
- A no ball or wide will count as 2 extra runs to the opposition and the ball will not be repeated unless it is the 50th ball of EACH innings
- The game MUST finish with a legal ball
- Each run will be scored by running AROUND the stumps at both ends
- Batsman can only be run out at the bowling end (this is to help support the umpires)
- A batsman is safe once he/she has passed the stumps
- If two teams are tied with the same amount of points, the team that has scored the most runs will go through.
- If the match is tied at the semi-final or the final, the winners will be decided following two super overs per team

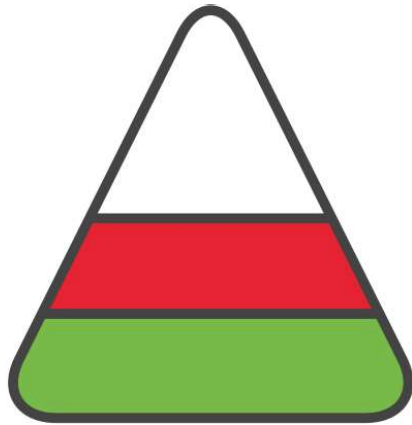


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