

## Club Policy re Splitting Groups

- The club enters teams in every age group in the Galway League.
- Teams must play in their own age group only and cannot enter two different age groups.
- If a group has less than 20 players, they can only enter one team
- If a group has 20 23 players, they can enter one or two teams at the coach's discretion.
- If a group has 24 players or more they must enter two teams in the league for their age group.
- When splitting groups for training and/or leagues, the following applies:
  - This must be done as best possible on an even split of ability up to the age of U14 (inclusive).
    - Each new season, the groups should be mixed around to ensure there aren't two parallel 'teams' created
  - At U15, the coaches have the choice of a) splitting on ability to create balanced groups or b) splitting on ability to create a first and second group
    - If creating balanced groups at u15, the policy of mixing the group should continue
  - From U16 onwards, the split must be done on ability so as to create a first and second team.