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GAA Player Injury Scheme

“All GAA Club & County players” should be reregistered on the **GAA Foireann system in 2024** prior to commencing training or playing matches in 2024 to be fully covered under the GAA’s Player Injury Benefit Fund for 2024.

A player’s registration on the GAA Foireann system should be completed by their club prior to that player playing their first 2024 match or partaking in a training session for cover to be fully applicable for that or subsequent match or training sessions.

A player will only be covered under the “GAA Player Injury Scheme” from the date of their 2024 registration forward and **“will not”** be covered for injuries sustained prior to their 2024 Foireann registration date.

This is how the Injury Fund scheme has been administered for the past number of years and these rules will continue to be applicable again in 2024.

There is an incorrect assumption that all players are covered under the scheme up until 31 March 2024 based on last year’s (2023) registration. This is not the case and all January to March 2024 injury claims will only be admitted and processed by the fund if that player has an active 2024 Foireann registration at the date of their injury.

- Please note the March 31st date in the GAA rule book has nothing to do with eligibility for cover under the GAA Injury Benefit Fund. The March 31 date simply relates to eligibility to vote at a Club AGM only.

I have attached a note re the GAA Player Injury Fund that has been circulated as part of the Club Newsletter to assist with further clarification on the matter.

The following are examples of where GAA Injury Fund cover is applicable and where it is not:

1. Cover is not available:

- a. If a player played a match or trained on Saturday 3rd February 2024 and was **“not 2024 registered”** on “Foireann” prior to this date – cover under the GAA Player Injury Fund will **not be applicable** if that player sustained an Injury playing on that day.

2. Cover is available:

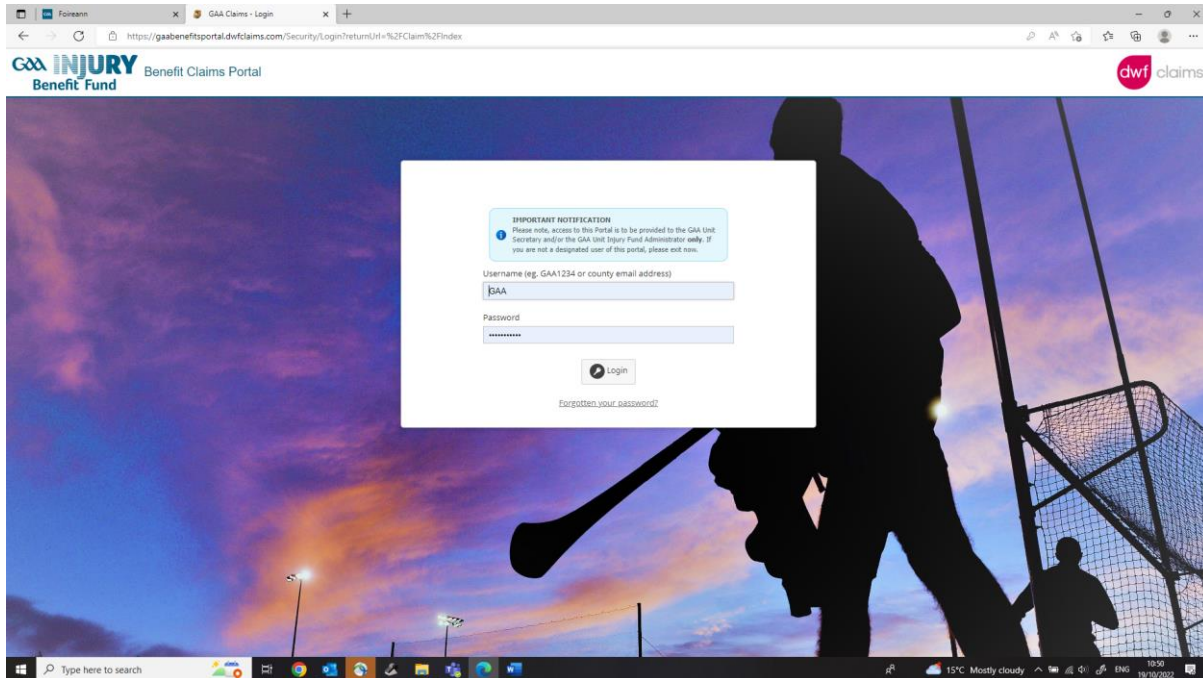
- a. If a player played a match or Saturday 3rd February and had been **“2024 registered”** on Foireann on or before the 2nd February - full Injury cover **will be available** to that player from 2nd February up until 31st December 2024.



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GAA Injury Benefit Fund – Important Points

- All GAA Injury Benefit Fund claims are notified online via the GAA DWF Claims portal.



- All Claims must be notified within 60 days of the injury date, the injury date is day 1
- No appeals will be considered for any unit which has failed to notify the claim within the required 60-day notification time frame.
- The claims portal is built in accordance with the terms of the Fund – If a unit goes to log a claim for an injury that occurred more than 60 days from the injury date, an error message will come up advising that the claim is outside the terms of the Fund.
- As part of the logging of the claim, a unit is asked to confirm that the information in relation to the injury is all true and correct
- If it is established that a unit logged a false date of injury to bypass the 60-day notification requirement, the claim will be declined, and no appeals considered
- If the injured player is not on Foireann as a registered playing member at the time of the injury, there is no cover available under the Fund
- **GAA Injury Benefit Fund cover year is from June 1, 2023 – May 31, 2024, the 2024 GAA membership year is separate and commences on January 1, 2024, all playing members must be registered for 2024 on Foireann to ensure cover is in place in the event of an injury in 2024.**
- The March 31st date in rule has nothing to do with eligibility for cover under the GAA Injury Benefit Fund. The March 31 date relates to eligibility to vote at an AGM only.
- All queries in relation to accessing the claims portal need to be directed to DWF Claims InjuryFundGAA@DWFClaims.com or telephone 01 790 9455
- [GAA Injury Benefit Fund](#) – this is the link on gaa.ie to the GAA Injury Benefit Fund information which includes the 2023 Summary document that outlines the full terms and benefit of the Fund as well as a user guide for the claim's portal.



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- The GAA Injury Benefit Fund is not an insurance product – it is a benefit fund in place to support registered playing members as per the terms and benefits of the Fund. It is each player's personal responsibility to ensure that they have adequate covers in place.