

South East Technological University (SETU) Sport & Societies Office Code of Conduct

Being a member of a sports club or society here in SETU is an ideal way of meeting other people in an environment other than the lecture room. Through active participation in a sport club or society, students can develop their social and sporting abilities in a friendly and cohesive environment.

All members of SETU's sports and societies are encouraged to enjoy their time here in the University and to fully embrace the ethos of teamwork and camaraderie that is present in all our sports and societies.

However, the Sports & Societies Code of Conduct binds all members. This code is in place to ensure the safety of all our members and to ensure that SETU's sports and societies activities take place in a safe and responsible manner.

The Code of Conduct is outlined below:

- **Representation and Reputation:**

The Sports & Societies Office expects all players/members of the University sports/societies to behave in a manner that benefits the good name of SETU and its sports/societies.

- **Fair Play and Sportsmanship:**

The spirit of fair play and sportsmanship is one that is to be encouraged by all the University's sports and/or its academic/cultural society's members.

- **Health and Safety:**

Players/members representing the University in an official sporting or social event must always take reasonable care of their own safety and not endanger themselves or others by their acts.

- **Respectful Behaviour:**

All our members must not engage in improper conduct or other negative behaviour such as violence, bullying or horseplay, which could endanger another person or his/her personal safety.

- **Property and Equipment Care:**

Each member is responsible for his or her own conduct and is expected to behave in such a manner that he/she will not cause damage or risk of damage to equipment, property and other facilities within or outside the institute before, during or after a recognised college event.

- **Financial Responsibility:**

All financial dealings within a sport/society must be conducted in a transparent and accountable fashion. Committees should avoid the use of cash in relation to payment and receipts must be provided for all financial transactions.

- **Disciplinary Actions and Sanctions:**

Each member is responsible for his/her own conduct when representing the University and any actions that infringe on the above code of conduct are subject to punishment from the sport/society involved, the Sports & Societies Office or in extreme cases the college authorities. The range of penalties, which may be imposed, include warnings, fines, suspensions and expulsion.

- **Equality, Diversity & Inclusion:**

All members are expected to treat others with respect and dignity, regardless of gender, race, age, religion, sexual orientation, disability, or any other characteristic. Discrimination, harassment, or hate speech of any kind will not be tolerated.

- **Alcohol, Drugs & Substance Use:**

Members must not misuse alcohol or drugs in a way that brings SETU, their sport, or society into disrepute, or endangers themselves or others. Responsible behaviour is expected at all University-related events, whether on or off campus.

- **Social media & Online Conduct:**

Members should ensure that all online communications, including social media activity, reflect the values of SETU. Any posts or comments that are abusive, defamatory, discriminatory, or damaging to the reputation of SETU, its sports, societies, or members, are strictly prohibited.

- **Reporting & Complaints:**

Any member who feels that this Code of Conduct has been breached, or who experiences inappropriate behaviour, may report it to the Sports & Societies Office. All reports will be handled confidentially, fairly, and in accordance with university policy.

- **Injury Reporting:**

If an injury occurs during any sport or society activity, the student must report the incident by emailing the Sports & Societies Office as soon as possible so that the appropriate protocol can be put in place. Injuries must be reported within five (5) days of the incident. Failure to report within this timeframe may result in the College Finance Department being unable to process or accept any related insurance claim.

- **Data Protection:**

All personal data collected for sport or society purposes must be handled in compliance with GDPR and SETU's data protection policies. Committees are responsible for ensuring that member information is stored and used securely.

Medical Declaration & Fitness to Participate

- **Fitness to Participate:**

All members participating in SETU sports or society activities must ensure that they are medically fit to do so. Members should not take part in any activity if they have an injury, illness, or medical condition that could put themselves or others at risk.

- **Medical Disclosure:**

Members are encouraged to disclose any relevant medical conditions, allergies, or medications to the Sports & Societies Office prior to participation. This information will be treated confidentially and used only to ensure the safety and well-being of the member and others.

- **Medical Responsibility:**

It is the responsibility of each member to seek professional medical advice if they are unsure about their ability to participate safely. SETU and its sports and societies cannot be held liable for injuries resulting from participation by members who were not medically fit.

- **Emergency Protocol:**

Members must provide emergency contact details and any necessary medical information when registering with a sport or society. In the event of an injury or medical emergency, these details will be used to provide appropriate care as quickly as possible.

Final Statement

All members are required to always adhere to this Code of Conduct. Breaches of this Code may result in disciplinary action as outlined above. SETU is committed to providing a respectful, inclusive, and

safe environment for all members, and any concerns should be reported promptly to the Sports & Societies Office.

Member Agreement

☐ **By ticking this box, I confirm that I have read, understood, and agree to abide by the SETU Sport & Societies Office Code of Conduct.**

SETU Waterford GAA Club Standard Operating Procedures 2025-2026

SOP 1: Injury Reporting

- If an injury occurs the student must email the GAA Development Officer as soon as possible so that the necessary, protocol can be put in place. If not reported within **5 days** of the injury occurring, the College Finance Department will not accept the claim.

SOP 2: Registration

- This year **all students must register with their chosen club and pay the €4 membership fee.** Failure to do this will result in them not being insured and therefore not allowed to play.
- Players must also register with the SETU Waterford GAA Club on Foireann. Failure to do this will result in the player being ineligible to play under GAA/LGFA/Camogie competition rules.

SOP 3: Meals

- A hot meal will be provided to our team and the travelling team after a League/Championship game. If a game occurs during non-term time, provision of such is at the discretion of the GAA Development Officer.

SOP 5: Physio

- A physio will be provided for teams for all competitive fixtures and for challenge games where possible.

SOP 6: Student & Management Attire

- All players & Management must wear the latest SETU Waterford GAA full match gear. If we want to succeed, we must look professional

SOP 7: Missing Lectures/Practical/Labs

- All students are required to notify their lectures if they are missing academic related activity due to representing the SETU GAA club in a timely manner.
- Some lectures may ask for confirmation of the student's participation. In this case the student is required to provide the GAA Development Officer with the following information: Name of module, Time of lecture/Practical, Lectures email address.

SOP 8: Fundraising

- All players are expected to fundraise to aid with the cost associated in running the GAA Club. Players who participate in the fundraising initiative will receive SETU GAA Leisure/Training wear.

SETU Waterford GAA Foireann Registration

The Gaelic Games family (GAA/LGFA/Camogie) now require all third level players to register with their affiliated University on Foireann, in order to be eligible for activity. All players must be reregistered before competition commences if they want to participate. Below are steps to follow to ensure you register properly.

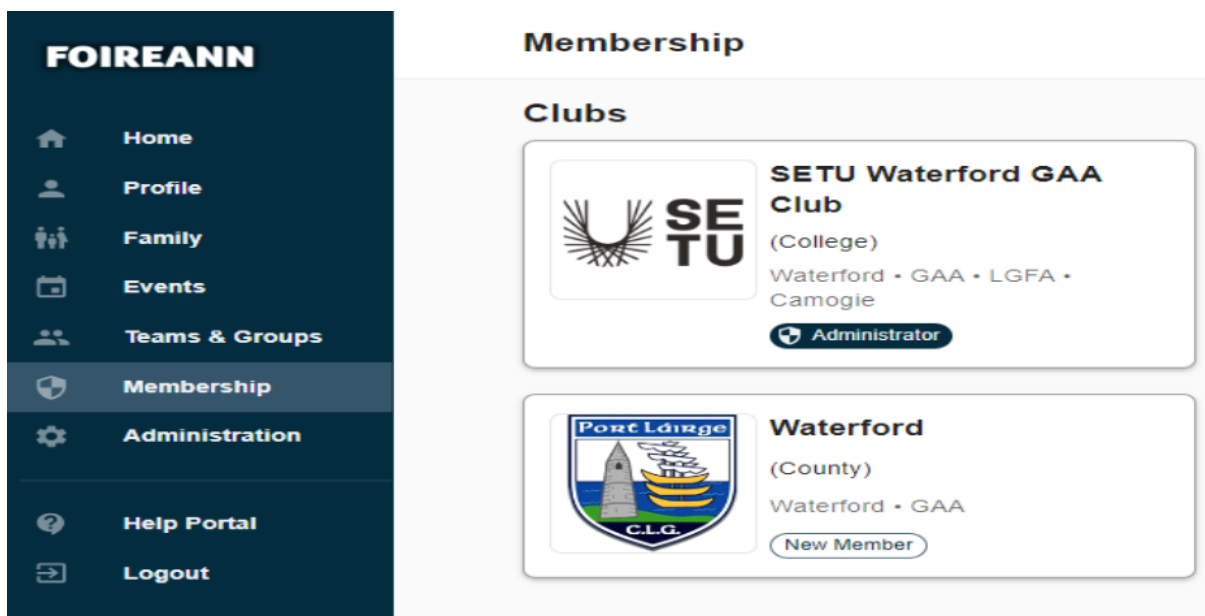
Step 1: Adding SETU Waterford GAA Club to your Profile

Log into your foireann account. (99% of you will have a foireann account. This is the account you would have used to fill in your return to play Covid questionnaire in the past). Many clubs also now use it to collect registration. If you do not have a foireann account, you will have to create one. Once logged in the link below provides helpful information to guide students through any difficulty:

Foireann for Students: <https://gmssupport.zendesk.com/hc/en-gb/sections/11064337487516-HEC-Students>

Step 2: Registering with the SETU Waterford GAA Club

Once you've added SETU Waterford GAA Club to your profile you must register with the Club. To do this you need to select the MEMBERSHIP section on the left-hand side. Select SETU Waterford GAA Club tab as seen below.



The screenshot displays the Foireann website interface. On the left is a dark blue sidebar with the 'FOIREANN' logo at the top. Below the logo are several menu items, each with an icon: Home (house), Profile (person), Family (two people), Events (calendar), Teams & Groups (group of people), Membership (shield), Administration (gear), Help Portal (question mark), and Logout (door with arrow). The 'Membership' item is highlighted. The main content area has a light grey background. At the top of this area is the heading 'Membership'. Below it is a section titled 'Clubs'. This section contains two club cards. The first card is for 'SETU Waterford GAA Club' (College), featuring a logo with a stylized 'U' and 'SETU' text. It lists 'Waterford • GAA • LGFA • Camogie' and has a dark blue button labeled 'Administrator'. The second card is for 'Waterford' (County), featuring a crest with a lighthouse and the text 'Port Láirge' and 'C.L.G.'. It lists 'Waterford • GAA' and has a light blue button labeled 'New Member'.

Following this you will see an option for MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS at the top of your screen. Once you select this you will be presented with 3 options (As seen below). If you are playing hurling and/or football, you select the GAA membership option. If you play ladies football and/or camogie select the LGFA/camogie option. You will need to fill in information about your course to complete registration. There is no additional cost if you are a dual player, when registering please select the LGFA & Camogie options to ensure you are eligible to play both.

The screenshot shows the 'Membership Options' page for SETU Waterford GAA Club. The page is divided into three columns, each representing a different membership option. Each option includes a 'REGISTER' button and a price of EUR 5.50.

Membership Option	Season	Membership Type	Price
Non Playing Membership	2024 season	GAA/LGFA/Camogie Non Playing Membership	EUR 5.50
Student Player - HEC Camogie/LGFA	2024 season	Camogie/LGFA Student Playing Membership	EUR 5.50
Student Player - HEC GAA	2024 season	GAA Student Playing Membership	EUR 5.50

Step 3: ADD A TEAM

A Select the TEAMS icon on the left-hand side. Go to the search icon on the top right and search SETU Waterford GAA Club and add yourself to the team(s) you are involved with. If you are a fresher, please only add yourself to the fresher team(s). Dual players can add themselves to their relevant teams. A full list of teams is pictured below. Once you have added yourself to a team(s) the GAA officer can then confirm your registration, and you are eligible to participate in competition.

The screenshot shows the 'All Groups' page, which lists various teams available for registration. The teams are organized into a grid, with each team having a 'Self Join' button.

Team Name	Sport	Self Join
SETU Waterford GAA Club Intermediate Camogie 24/25	Camogie	Yes
SETU Waterford GAA Club Senior Handball 24/25	Handball	Yes
SETU Waterford GAA Club Senior Football 23/24	Football	Yes
SETU Waterford GAA Club Fresher Football 24/25	Football	Yes
SETU Waterford GAA Club Senior Football 24/25	Football	Yes
SETU Waterford GAA Club Senior Camogie 24/25	Camogie	Yes
SETU Waterford GAA Club Fresher Hurling 24/25	Hurling	Yes
SETU Waterford GAA Club Senior Hurling 24/25	Hurling	Yes
SETU Waterford GAA Club Senior Ladies Football 24/25	LGFA	Yes