

U-8/U-10 Fleadh (Dublin Fleadh Only) Competition Rules 2025

These competitions are only for the Dublin Fleadh Cheoil & there is no progression on to the Leinster Fleadh Cheoil from the U-8 or U-10 competitions. It aims to be a non pressured enjoyable competition giving those U-10 an introduction to competing in a fleadh and playing in front of others.

Competitors wishing to compete to be in with a chance to progress to the Leinster Fleadh Cheoil in a particular instrument/competition must enter the u12 competition even if you are aged below U-12

Closing Date **28th March 2025** (no late entries)

All Entries through your **Branch Secretary** only. €2 per entry.

Under 10 (M) A person whose 10th or earlier birthday occurs on any date in the year of the Fleadh Cheoil competition

Under 8 (N) - A person whose 8th or earlier birthday occurs on any date in the year of the Fleadh Cheoil competition.

Below are the correct years of birth for corresponding competitions (2025 Fleadh only)

Age Group - u8 whistle competition - Born - 2017 or later

Age Group - u10 whistle competition - Born - 2015 & 2016

Age Group - Other u10 competitions - Born - 2015 or later

<u>Competition Number</u>	<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Competition</u>
4N	u8	Whistle
4M	u10	Whistle
1M	u10	Fiddle
6M	u10	Concertina
14M	u10	Miscellaneous
23M	u10	Duets
33M	u10	Traditional English Singing
31M	u10	Amhranaíocht
48M	u10	Sean nós Dancing

A competitor who competes in U8 or U10 cannot compete in the same competition in U12. They can only compete in one age group in a particular instrument or competition.

Examples

A competitor cannot compete in both U-8 & U-10 Whistle competitions

A competitor cannot compete in both U-10 & U-12 in any of the Solo competitions.

A competitor cannot compete in both an U-10 & an U-12 duet even if playing a different instrument and/or with a different partner.

A competitor cannot compete in an U-12 instrument competition if that instrument is already being played in the U-10 miscellaneous competition.

A duet comprises of 2 melody instruments playing the same melody at the same time.

Competitors must perform **ONLY one** tune/song/dance.

All tunes/songs/dances must be traditional Irish in nature

1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes will be awarded in each competition.

Some competitions have a perpetual trophy awarded for first place. All such perpetual trophies must be signed for by a parent or guardian, and must be returned to the Branch Runaí at least a month before the Fleadh the following year.

Ensure you read “negotiating the Fleadh Day document” and “entering the Fleadh Q & A” for helpful advice all on www.dublinfleadh.com

Feedback sheets can be ordered via www.dublinfleadh.com as can non-competitor wristbands & programmes. All documentation will be available via the fleadh website from 7th March 2025

Don't forget to check out all the Dublin Fleadh Fringe events happening around the Castleknock/Blanchardstown area.