## **Dublin All Stars Marching Band**



## **Band Rules**

Weekly or monthly membership subscriptions must be paid every week (or month as appropriate) even if a member is unable to attend. Membership is required for each individual, or alternatively family membership can be taken out where there are 3 or more members from the same family group. Membership can be paid in advance for planned absence, or paid in arrears on the next week of attendance.

Instruments and equipment owned by the band are supplied on loan following payment of a deposit. The deposit is €20 for each instrument, refundable if the equipment is returned in good order. The deposit will be forfeited if a band officer needs to collect unreturned equipment.

Instruments and equipment must be returned to the band immediately if a member changes instrument, or where they leave the band. Members who fail to attend band for 6 consecutive weekly practices will have their instrument collected and will forfeit their deposit, unless such non-attendance has been agreed in advance.

Members are liable for the cost of any damage to instruments or equipment arising from abuse or misuse.

Members must bring their band equipment and music to all band practices and performances, and look after it in their own homes between these times.

Members must purchase their own band uniforms, the price of which is subsidized by the band.

Full uniforms must be kept clean, and worn in the appropriate manner, when requested to participate in band performances.

Members must be well behaved at practices and on parade, and abide by the instructions of band officers at all times.

Members must show respect for all other band members, and to members of the public, at all times while representing the band or engaged in any band activities.

Members must make themselves available for band performances when requested.

Eating gum or sweets is not allowed at band practices or on parade.

The use of mobile phones, or other electronic equipment, is not allowed during practices or on parade.

No underage drinking, or use of any illegal substances, will be tolerated by the band at any time.

Over 18's drinking, where associated with any band activity, must be in moderation, and never in band uniform or before band performances.

The band committee, its officers, or its teachers, will not be liable for any loss or damage to any member or members property while at practice, on parade, on tour, or at any band social occasions.

Members and families of members are asked to help out or support fund-raising activities when requested.

Places on any band trips will be prioritized for members and subject to attendance and behavior.