

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND V ENGLAND
INTERNATIONAL MATCH
AVIVA STADIUM, DUBLIN
SUNDAY 7 JUNE 2015
KICK OFF 13:00 (LOCAL TIME)



#### **GENERAL COUNTRY INFORMATION**

**Population:** 4.6 million (estimate)

# **Entry requirements**

A passport is required on Ryanair flights entering Ireland from the UK. Other airlines should allow for you to travel with photographic ID such as your drivers licence but please check with your airline before you travel. Ferry companies will ask for a passport but should allow you to travel with appropriate Photo ID. Please also check with your ferry company before you travel.

#### **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

#### **CONTACT DETAILS**

#### Health

If you're visiting Ireland you should get a free European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) before leaving the UK. The EHIC isn't a substitute for medical and travel insurance, but it entitles you to state provided medical treatment that may become necessary during your trip. Any treatment provided is on the same terms as Irish nationals.

The EHIC won't cover medical repatriation, ongoing medical treatment or non-urgent treatment, so you should make sure you have adequate travel insurance and accessible funds to cover the cost of any medical treatment and repatriation.

# Safety

The Irish Tourist Assistance Service (ITAS) offers free support and practical help to victims of crime. This includes liaison with travel companies and financial institutions and, in emergency situations, arranging accommodation, meals and transport. ITAS recommends that you report any incident in person to the nearest Garda (Police) Station who will then contact the organisation.

Tel: 1890 365 700 Email: info@itas.ie

# **Republic of Ireland Contact Details**

Country dialling code: +353

# **Emergency numbers**

Police / Fire / Ambulance: 112 or 999

The British Embassy in Dublin

Address

29 Merrion Road Ballsbridge

Dublin 4

Ireland

Phone: (+353) (1) 205 3700

Fax: (+353) (1) 205 3885

Email: chancery.dublx@fco.gov.uk

#### **Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday: 09:00-12:45 / 14:00-17:15

Friday: 09:00-12:45 / 14:00-17:00

#### **PUBLIC TRANSPORT**

# **From Dublin Airport**

The airport is approximately 6 miles north of the city centre.

The **Aircoach** express service (large blue bus) connects the airport and the city centre. Buses leave the airport every fifteen minutes and the journey takes approximately thirty minutes to reach the City centre. The cost is  $\mathfrak{C}7$  single or  $\mathfrak{C}12$  return (approx.).

**Dublin Bus** offers an express AirLink service (route 747) every 10 minutes at peak times to the city centre and bus station for €6 or €10 return (approx.). This service uses the Dublin Port Tunnel to avoid the city traffic and can reach the city centre in a very short space of time.

#### Rail

There is no direct rail link to and from Dublin Airport.

#### Bus

A single bus station, Busáras, is the terminus for Bus Eireann services to almost all towns and cities in Ireland. A number of private bus companies also operate out of the airport and stop in the city centre.

## **Taxis**

Taxis in Dublin are regular and plentiful. There is a national standardised rate for all taxis. It costs approximately €30/40 taxi fare from the airport to the Stadium.

#### **Buses**

An extensive bus service serves the city and its suburbs. There are around 200 bus routes in Dublin, however, it is important to carefully plan your route or obtain a route map as buses will display its final destination on the front of the bus, but there are no announcements for intermediate stops.

#### **Trams and Trains**

The **Luas** (a tram/light-rail system) runs frequently and reliably, and is handy for getting around the city centre. There are two lines: Red - running from Connolly railway station and the Point Theatre to the suburb of Tallaght and Green - running from Saint Stephen's Green to Bride's Glen in Cherrywood.

Tickets can be bought on the platforms at the machines and do not need to be validated. The fare structure is based on zones, with rides within the central zone costing €1.60 (approx.).

The **DART** suburban rail service runs along the coast between Greystones in the south and Howth and Malahide in the north. Tickets can be bought in the stations.

# **Food and Drink**

Dublin has a wide array of pubs and restaurants to suit all needs and taste buds. The only difficulty you will have is narrowing down the options to one you want to choose! Temple bar is one of the country's most famous tourist destinations and includes an array of bars, pubs and restaurants.

# **Tipping**

There is not a strong tipping culture in Ireland but, similar to England, it is acceptable to tip for services such as restaurants and taxi drivers.



#### **AVIVA STADIUM INFORMATION AND KEY FACTS**

Opened: 2010 | Capacity: 51,700 seats

Address: 62 Lansdowne Road, Dublin 4

# **History and description**

The Aviva Stadium is the national stadium of Ireland and hosts matches involving the Irish national football team as well as most of the nation's major rugby matches.

The stadium was built on the place of the old Lansdowne Road Stadium, which was one of the oldest stadiums in the world when it got demolished in 2007.

It officially opened on 14 May 2010 but the first football match was played on 4 August 2010 when a League of Ireland side hosted Manchester United for a friendly (result 1-7).

In 2011 the stadium was the venue of the Europa League final between FC Porto and SC Braga (result 1-0).

# **Stadium Map**



LOWER TIER

MIDDLE TIER

UPPER TIER



#### **MATCH INFORMATION**

The Aviva Stadium is located in central Dublin in the Ballsbridge area, about 2 kilometres from the city centre.

#### Walk

The walk from St Stephen's Green or the Trinity College area will take roughly 30 minutes.

# **Train / DART**

From Connolly Station or Pearse Station the DART train runs southbound towards the stadium; alight at Grand Canal Dock for the England ticket office and the stadium.

To plan your journey visit: www.irishrail.ie

# By Bus

From the City centre area take bus 7 to Loughlinstown/ Cherrywood. It is roughly a 10 minute journey to the stadium from here.

# **By Car**

Traffic is notoriously congested in the area on matchdays and coupled with road closures (up to 1km away) and parking restrictions around the stadium, then is it best to travel by train, or if you still intend to drive then perhaps consider parking in one of the city centre car parks and then walking out to the stadium.

Date: Sunday 7 June 2015 Venue: Aviva Stadium, Dublin

Kick Off: 13:00 Capacity: 51,700

Republic of Ireland Kit: TBC

England Kit: TBC

# Republic of Ireland Team History and Achievements

Current FIFA ranking: 62

Best finish at a World Cup: Quarter Finals 1990 Best finish at a European Championships: Quarter

Finals 1964

Highest capper: Robbie Keane (138 caps) Top goalscorer: Robbie Keane (65 goals)

## All time International match record

P: 514 W: 204 D: 138 L: 172 F: 725 A: 645

% won: 39.69

#### THE HISTORY

England 1-1 Republic of Ireland International Match 20:00, Wednesday 29 May 2013 Wembley Stadium Attendance 80.126

# **England**

Joe Hart (Ben Foster, 46), Glen Johnson (Phil Jones, 46), Ashley Cole (c) (Leighton Baines, 53), Michael Carrick, Gary Cahill, Phil Jagielka, Theo Walcott, Frank Lampard, Daniel Sturridge (Jermain Defoe, 33), Wayne Rooney, Alex Oxlade-Chamberlain (James Milner, 87)

# Republic of Ireland

David Forde, John O'Shea, Sean St. Ledger, Seamus Coleman, Stephen Kelly, Glenn Whelan (Jeff Hendrick, 74), James McCarthy, Aiden McGeady (James McClean, 68), Robbie Keane (c) (Simon Cox, 65), Shane Long, Jon Walters (Conor Sammon, 82)

England signed off their season at Wembley Stadium with a 1-1 draw against Republic of Ireland as the nations met for the first time in 18 years.

Ashley Cole took centre stage for Roy Hodgson's men, wearing the captain's armband after receiving his commemorative cap in celebration of becoming England's seventh centurion.

But it was his Chelsea team mate Frank Lampard who ensured England would fly to Brazil on the back of a draw, netting the equaliser after Shane Long had headed Giovanni Trapattoni's men in front.

Ireland, making their first appearance at Wembley Stadium in 22 years, sent their fans home delighted after extending their unbeaten run against the Three Lions to six games.

And while England may have slightly edged the contest on chances, the visitors were certainly good for the draw.

With just 13 minutes played, Long had sent the Irish corner of Wembley into raptures glancing beyond Joe Hart.

It came from Seamus Coleman's cross, and the West Brom man rose above Glen Johnson and Gary Cahill, looping a header over the keeper's despairing dive.

However, Ireland's lead lasted just ten minutes as Daniel Sturridge provided the spark the Three Lions so dearly needed, as the away fans were raising the volume and spurring their side on.

Coming into the area from the left, the Liverpool hitman fed in a cross to the middle which squeezed between Sean St. Ledger and Glenn Whelan and dropped kindly for Lampard ten yards out who gobbled the chance up

with ease, flicking past David Forde and into the net for his 29th goal in his 96th appearance for his country.

Shortly after the second half had begun, Wayne Rooney clipped a ball over Ireland's left-back Stephen Kelly to Theo Walcott arriving at speed in the area. He guided the ball across the face of goal where Cole was waiting for a simple tap in. But Whelan and St. Ledger this time combined to deny the skipper his first goal for his country.

Following an England break, ignited by Defoe, Walcott then had the first of two shots at Forde's goal, but the Millwall stopper was equal to it, pushing away low for a corner. The Arsenal forward's next chance, cutting inside and drilling with his left, was simple for Forde to collect.

With 12 minutes left, McClean sent in a cross from the left that did give Foster something to think about, though. After the ball took a big diversion off Jones, it looped high into the England box.

Foster went up to claim, but under pressure from his Baggies team mate Long and Stoke City's Jon Walters, he spilled the ball to Simon Cox, who rolled into the empty net. But the Scottish referee William Collum signalled for a foul on the 'keeper.

England twice came close to snatching a winner in the closing stages. When Walcott burst into the Ireland half

and found Rooney, the United man threaded a ball into the box that delfected into the path of Oxlade-Chamberlain.

Forde won the duel, pushing away Oxlade-Chamberlain's strike for a corner, then he saved with his feet just after when Walcott fired goalwards from 12 yards.

But, with three of the previous four encounters ending in 1-1 draws, it's no surprise this one finished in the same way.

# England's match history with Rep of Ireland (last 3 meetings)

Date	Competition	Stadium	Score	Result
29 May 2013	International	Wembley Stadium	1-1	Draw
15 Feb 1995	International	Lansdowne Road, Dublin	0-0	Draw
27 Mar 1991	European Championship Qualifier	Wembley Stadium	1-1	Draw

# England's match record against Rep of Ireland in all competitions:

P: 15 W: 5 D: 8 L: 2 F: 20 A: 13

#### **FA REPRESENTATIVES IN DUBLIN**

The FA were provided with an allocation of 3,000 tickets for this fixture for members of the Travel Club. England supporters are situated in the designated away section in the North stand at entrance I.

This match is 100% collection and tickets can be picked up from either of the locations below.

#### **FA office in Dublin**

Saturday 6 June, 10:30 - 19:00

FA representatives will be located on the ground floor in the Jury's Inn Custom House Hotel in Dublin City centre.

Jury's Inn Custon House: Custom House Quay Dublin

Sunday 7 June, 10:00 - 13:00

On match day we will be located on the lower ground floor of the Grand Canal Hotel near the Aviva stadium.

Grand Canal Hotel: Grand Canal Street Upper Ballsbridge Dublin 4

We advise members travelling to the staduim by the DART to alight at the Grand Canal Dock station which is a short walk to both the ticket collection point at the Grand Canal Hotel and the Stadium.

Please bring either your current membership card or any photo identification to collect your ticket.

If you are part of a group, each member must collect in person. Please note that all members of the group do not have to collect at the same time, however, it will not be possible for another member to collect your ticket on your behalf.

Should members experience any difficulties with the ticketing arrangements for the game, please call FA Staff on +44 7970 146250.

Please note; all tickets are strictly non-transferable. Any member found to have passed on their tickets to another person will face action against their membership.

## **Lost or Stolen Tickets**

Please note we will not be in a position to provide duplicate tickets for members who lose their ticket or have their ticket stolen.

#### **Proof of Travel**

Proof of travel documents will not be required for this match because it is obligatory for each member to collect their match ticket in person.

#### **STADIUM REGULATIONS**

- All persons entering the Stadium are admitted only subject to these Regulations, to the ticket Terms and Conditions of the organising body and to the rules of the organising body and its international federation.
- Permission to enter or to remain within the Stadium, notwithstanding possession of any ticket, is at the absolute discretion of Aviva Stadium, its stewards or agents and any member of An Garda Síochána.
- 3. All persons entering Aviva Stadium must be in possession of a valid ticket for the particular event and have it available for inspection at all times. They may only occupy the seat allocated to them by that ticket and must not occupy another seat without the express permission of the Aviva Stadium staff or stewards. Proof of age, where an age concession is claimed, and proof of identity may be required and must be supplied on demand.
- Aviva Stadium and the organising body excludes to the maximum extent permitted by law any liability for loss, injury or damage to persons and property in or around the Stadium.
- All persons seeking entry to the Stadium acknowledge and agree to Aviva Stadium's and the organising body's right to search any person entering the Stadium and to refuse entry to or eject from the

- Stadium any person refusing to submit to such a search.
- 6. Children under the age of 14 are admitted to the Stadium provided they are accompanied by an adult, who shall be 18 years or over and will control and supervise those children at all times. Supervisors of groups are responsible and accountable for all members of the group they accompany.
- 7. Fireworks, smoke canisters, vuvuzelas, bottles, knives, glasses, cans, flag poles, banners, laser devices, dangerous or hazardous items and other similar articles or containers including anything which could or might be used as a weapon are not permitted within the ground and any person in possession of such an article or container may be refused entry or ejected from the Stadium. Umbrellas are not permitted to be used within Aviva Stadium. Prams/Strollers are not permitted within Aviva Stadium.
- 8. The use of threatening behaviour, foul or abusive language and the utterance of racial, homophobic or discriminatory abuse, chanting or harassment are strictly prohibited and may result in arrest and/or ejection from the Stadium.

- Any form of religious or political advertising, banner or slogan is strictly prohibited and may result in ejection from the Stadium.
- Under no circumstances is it permitted to throw any object onto the pitch. Unauthorised persons are not permitted to enter onto the field of play and shall be ejected.
- The obstruction of gangways, access ways, exits and entrances, stairways and like places is strictly forbidden.
- 12. The Stadium is a no smoking environment.

  Smoking, including the use of e-cigarettes and nicotine vaporisers, is not permitted in any part of the Stadium. Dedicated locations adjacent to the stadium for smoking and the use of e-cigarettes and vaporisers have been identified for event day use, these are the only locations where this activity is permitted.
- Spectators are not permitted to bring alcohol into the Stadium. Persons who are, or appear to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs may be removed or refused entry.
- 14. A CCTV system is in operation throughout the stadium. Images are monitored and recorded to prevent, detect or investigate crime and for public

- safety. The system is controlled by New Stadium Ltd. For further information please call (01) 2382300.
- 15. By entering the Stadium, all persons acknowledge that photographic images and/or video recordings and/or stills taken from those video recordings may be taken of them and may also be used by Aviva Stadium or the organising body for marketing or promotional purposes. Entry into the Stadium is confirmation that all persons have consented to such use of their image.
- 16. With the exception of persons holding official accreditation or authorisation in writing from Aviva Stadium or the organising body, the taking of photographs, video photography, or other recordings inside the Stadium, whether by mobile phone or otherwise is prohibited.
- 17. Save for official merchandise and/or other sport related clothing worn in good faith, visitors shall not bring into, use or display within the Stadium any sponsorship, promotional or marketing materials.
- 18. No goods (including literature) or services of any nature may be offered either free or for sale by any person within the Stadium without the express written permission of Aviva Stadium or the organising body.

# 19. At all times whilst present in the Stadium, persons must comply with any and all instructions and directions of any steward or officer of Aviva Stadium or the Controlling Body, any Garda or any officer of any other safety service. Failure to comply with any such instruction or direction may lead to the refusal of entry to, or the immediate ejection from, the

Stadium.

20. Aviva Stadium reserves the right to make changes to any of the Stadium Regulations in its sole discretion. Any such changes will be notified to the public through Aviva Stadium's website and on display at the Stadium.

### Respect

The FA is calling on all members to 'Follow England Away' in the right way when we pay our first visit to the Aviva Stadium.

We have recently noted an increase in anti-social behaviour from a certain section of England fans that has led to complaints from within our own supporters who, as a result, have not enjoyed the experience of backing their country on the road.

FIFA has also made official contact with The FA to express concerns about anti-IRA chanting during the recent fixture against Italy in Turin and with the Ireland fixture in mind.

We have consistently urged supporters to show respect and not chant songs that could be regarded as insulting to others, particularly from a religious or political perspective.

In light of recent behaviour, this message needs to be proactively reinforced.

England fans' behaviour abroad has dramatically improved over the last decade but The FA and authorities are not complacent in this area and fully support the forthcoming introduction of a

new anti-discrimination monitoring system by FIFA in collaboration with the Fare network

As ever, The FA continues to work with relevant authorities behind-the-scenes ahead of all fixtures and certain measures have already been put in place for the Republic of Ireland game.

The FA will always investigate all reports of inappropriate behaviour and individuals can raise such matters in confidence by e-mailing: englandsupportersclub@thefa.com or by calling us on match day on +44 (0) 7970 146250.

As always we are grateful for the fantastic support that the England team receives and wish everyone travelling an enjoyable trip.

