

# ORDER OF BUSINESS

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS FOR TUESDAY TO THURSDAY, 28 -30 MARCH 2023

### Announcement of Business for the Week:

Tuesday's business shall be:

- Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the terms of the Convention on the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation (*back from Committee*) (*without debate*)
- Motion *re* Twenty Second Report of the Committee of Selection (*without debate*)
- Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the terms of the Annual Emission Allocation Units Purchase Agreement (*to conclude within 55 mins*)
- Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Specialised Committee on Law Enforcement and Judicial Cooperation (*to conclude within 55 mins*)

Private members' business shall be Second Stage of the Residential Tenancies (Deferment of Termination Dates of Certain Tenancies) Bill 2023, selected by Sinn Féin.

Wednesday's business shall be:

- Motion *re* Confidence in the Government (*to conclude within 145 min and any division claimed to be taken immediately by roll call*)
- Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Employment Equality Act 1998 (Section 12) (Reservation of Vocational Training Places) Order 2022 (*back from Committee*) (*without debate*)
- Motion *re* Presentation and Circulation of Further Revised Estimates for Public Services 2023 [Votes 38 and 40] (*without debate*)
- Motion *re* Ministerial Rota for Parliamentary Questions (*without debate*)
- Sex Offenders (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Amendments from the Seanad) (*to be taken no earlier than 4.50 p.m. and to conclude within 30 mins*)
- Criminal Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2022 (Report and Final Stages) (*to conclude within 60 mins*)
- Work Life Balance and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022 (Amendments from the Seanad) (*to conclude within 60 mins*)

Private members' business shall be the Motion *re* Education and School Building Programme, selected by the Labour Party.

Thursday's business shall be:

- Statements on Government Supports for the Irish Sheep Sector (*not to exceed 145 mins*)

- Statements on the Report of the Independent Review Group on Dignity and Equality issues in the Defence Forces (*not to exceed 110 mins*)

Thursday evening business shall be Second Stage of the Taisceadán (Valuable Property Register) Bill 2019.

**Announcement of proposed arrangements for this week's business:**

In relation to Tuesday's business, it is proposed that:

1. the ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the following extent:
  - (i) the Dáil shall sit later than 10.30 p.m.;
  - (ii) private members' business may be taken earlier than 6.12 p.m. and shall, in any event, be taken on the conclusion of Government business, with consequential effect on the commencement time for Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Social Protection and topical issues; and
  - (iii) notwithstanding anything in Standing Order 37, topical issues shall be taken for 96 minutes;
2. the Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the terms of the Convention on the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation shall be taken without debate;
3. the Motion *re* Twenty Second Report of the Committee of Selection shall be taken without debate;
4. the proceedings on the Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the terms of the Annual Emission Allocation Units Purchase Agreement shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 55 minutes, and the following arrangements shall apply:
  - (i) the order of speaking and allocation of time shall be as follows:
    - opening speech by a Minister or Minister of State - 10 minutes;
    - speech by representative of Sinn Féin - 10 minutes
    - speeches by representatives of the Labour Party, Social Democrats, People-Before-Profit-Solidarity, the Regional Group, the Rural Independent Group and the Independent Group - 5 minutes per party or group; and
    - a speech in response by the Minister – 5 minutes; and
  - (ii) members may share time

5. the proceedings on the Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Specialised Committee on Law Enforcement and Judicial Cooperation shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 55 minutes, and the following arrangements shall apply:
  - (i) the order of speaking and allocation of time shall be as follows:
    - opening speech by a Minister or Minister of State - 10 minutes;
    - speech by representative of Sinn Féin - 10 minutes
    - speeches by representatives of the Labour Party, Social Democrats, People-Before-Profit-Solidarity, the Regional Group, the Rural Independent Group and the Independent Group - 5 minutes per party or group; and
    - a speech in response by the Minister – 5 minutes; and
  - (ii) members may share time; and
6. notwithstanding anything in Standing Order 170(2), the proceedings on Second Stage of the Residential Tenancies (Deferment of Termination Dates of Certain Tenancies) Bill 2023 shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 2 hours.

In relation to Wednesday's business:

1. the ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the following extent:
  - (i) topical issues shall not be taken;
  - (ii) the Motion *re* Confidence in the Government shall be taken as the first item of business;
  - (iii) private members' business shall be taken on the conclusion of the SOS for two hours, and Government business shall resume on the conclusion of private members' business; and
  - (iv) the voting block shall be taken on the conclusion of proceedings on the Work Life Balance and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022, with consequential effect on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil;
2. the proceedings on the Motion *re* Confidence in the Government shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 145 minutes, with arrangements in accordance

with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2020, for 135 minutes, following which a Minister or Minister of State shall be called upon to make a speech in reply which shall not exceed 10 minutes, and members may share time;

3. the Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Employment Equality Act 1998 (Section 12) (Reservation of Vocational Training Places) Order 2022 shall be taken without debate;
4. the Motion *re* Presentation and Circulation of Further Revised Estimates for Public Services 2023 [Votes 38 and 40] shall be taken without debate;
5. the Motion *re* Ministerial Rota for Parliamentary Questions shall be taken without debate;
6. the proceedings on the amendments from the Seanad to the Sex Offenders (Amendment) Bill 2021 shall be taken no earlier than 4.50 p.m. and shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 30 minutes and any amendments from the Seanad not disposed of shall be decided by one question which shall be put from the Chair, and which shall, in relation to amendments to the Seanad amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Justice;
7. the proceedings on Report and Final Stages of the Criminal Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2022 shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 60 minutes by one question which shall be put from the Chair and which shall, in relation to amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Justice; and
8. the proceedings on the amendments from the Seanad to the Work Life Balance and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022 shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 60 minutes and any amendments from the Seanad not disposed of shall be decided by one question which shall be put from the Chair, and which shall, in relation to amendments to the Seanad amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth.

In relation to Thursday's business:

1. the following arrangements shall apply in relation to Thursday:
  - (i) the ordinary routine of business as set out in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the extent that topical issues shall be taken on the conclusion of Statements on the Report of the Independent Review Group on Dignity and Equality issues in the Defence Forces, with consequential effect on the commencement time

for Second Stage of the Taisceadán (Valuable Property Register) Bill 2019, and on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil;

- (ii) the Dáil on its rising shall adjourn until 2 p.m. on 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2023;
  - 2. the Statements on Government Supports for the Irish Sheep Sector shall not exceed 145 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2020, for 135 minutes, following which a Minister or Minister of State shall be called upon to make a statement in reply which shall not exceed 10 minutes, and members may share time; and
  - 3. the Statements on the Report of the Independent Review Group on Dignity and Equality issues in the Defence Forces shall not exceed 110 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2020, for 100 minutes, following which a Minister or Minister of State shall be called upon to make a statement in reply which shall not exceed 10 minutes, and members may share time.
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