



Important Information

Requirements under the Act

Letters and emails in Irish

When a person writes to Maynooth University in Irish, by letter or email, they are entitled to a reply in Irish. If your office receives a query in Irish and support is required in order to provide a response in Irish, please contact Oifig na Gaeilge (details below). Please do not use machine translation facilities (e.g. *Google Translate*) for official responses.

Recorded oral announcements

Maynooth University must ensure that recorded oral announcements (voicemails) made by Departmental and Administrative offices are in Irish or bilingual. For example: "*This office is open from 9 - 5. We are unable to take your call, please leave a message.*"

Personal voicemails are exempt from the requirements of the Regulations.

Stationery

Maynooth University must ensure that the headings on letterheads, compliment slips, fax cover sheets, file covers and folders, labels and envelopes are available in Irish or bilingually. Maynooth University business cards are also bilingual. Samples can be found in the University's Identity Applications Handbook which is available on the Communications Office website.

Audited accounts or financial statements

Maynooth University must publish any audited accounts or any financial statements simultaneously in both Irish and English.

Annual reports

Maynooth University must publish any annual reports simultaneously in both Irish and English.

Signage requirements

Maynooth University must ensure that its signs are in Irish or bilingual.

- The text in Irish shall appear first.
- The text in Irish shall be as prominent, visible and legible as the text in English.
- The letters in the text in Irish shall not be smaller in size than the letters in English.
- The text in Irish shall communicate the same information as the text in English.
- A word in the text in Irish shall not be abbreviated unless the word in the text in English, is also abbreviated.



The Official Languages Act

- The Official Languages Act 2003 promotes the use of Irish for official purposes in the state.
- The Act sets out ⇒ the duties of public bodies regarding the provision of services in Irish
- ⇒ the rights of the public to avail of those services.

Maynooth University's Language Scheme 2014 –2017

- The University is currently implementing its second Irish Language Scheme.
- The purpose of this scheme is to increase the volume and standard of services provided in Irish by Maynooth University.
- The Scheme is available on Oifig na Gaeilge webpage under 'Acht na dTeangacha Oifigiúla'.



Eolas Tábhachtach

Dualgais faoin Acht

Litreacha agus ríomhphoist i nGaeilge

Nuair a scríobhann duine chuig Ollscoil Mhá Nuad i nGaeilge, i bhfoirm litreach nó leis an ríomhphost, tá an duine sin i dteideal freagra a fháil i nGaeilge. Má theastaíonn tacaíocht ó d'oifig freagra i nGaeilge a thabhairt ar fhiorsúchán, déan teagmháil le hOifig na Gaeilge (sonraí thíos). Le do thoil, ná bain úsáid as meaisín aistriúcháin (m.sh *Google Translate*) le freagra a thabhairt ar chomhfhreagras oifigiúil.

Fógaírtí taifeadta béis

Tá dualgas ar Ollscoil Mhá Nuad a chinntíú go bhfuil fógaírtí taifeadta béis (glórphoist) a dhéanann Oifigí Roinne nó Oifigí Riaracháin i nGaeilge nó dátheangach e.g. “*Tá an oifig seo oscailte ó a naoi go dtí a cúig. Ní féidir linn do ghlaoch a thógáil, fág teachtaireacht.*”

Tá díolúine sna Rialacháin maidir le glórphoist phearsanta.

Stáiseanóireacht

Tá dualgas ar Ollscoil Mhá Nuad a chinntíú go bhfuil páipéar ceannchlóite, duillíní dea-mhéine, leatháin chlúdaigh facs, clúdaigh chomhad agus fillteán, lipéid agus clúdaigh litreach ar fáil i nGaeilge nó go dátheangach. Tá cártaí gnó Ollscoil Mhá Nuad dátheangach freisin. Is féidir teacht ar shamplaí de stáiseanóireacht na hOllscoile sa treoirleabhar ‘Aitheantas Ollscoil Mhá Nuad’ atá ar fáil ar shuíomh na hOifige Cumarsáide.

Cuntas iniúchta nó ráitis airgeadais

Tá dualgas ar Ollscoil Mhá Nuad aon chuntas iniúchta nó aon ráiteas airgeadais a fhoilsíú go comhuaineach i nGaeilge agus i mbÉarla.

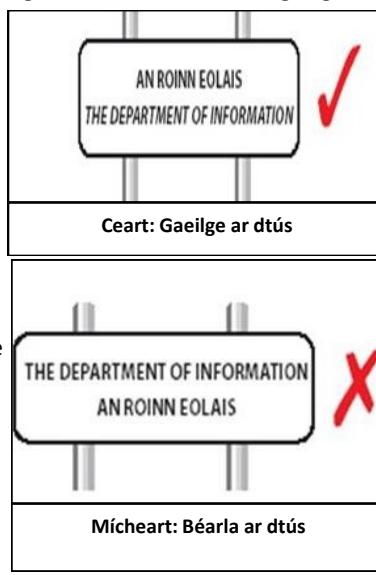
Tuarascálacha bliantúla

Tá dualgas ar Ollscoil Mhá Nuad aon tuarascáil bhliantúil a fhoilsíú go comhuaineach i nGaeilge agus i mbÉarla.

Dualgais i leith comharthaíochta

Tá dualgas ar Ollscoil Mhá Nuad a chinntíú go bhfuil a gcomharthaí i nGaeilge nó dátheangach.

- Beidh an téacs i nGaeilge ann ar dtús.
- Beidh an téacs i nGaeilge chomh feiceálach, chomh sofheicthe & chomh hinléite céanna leis an téacs i mbÉarla.
- Ní bheidh na litreacha sa téacs i nGaeilge níos lú, ó thaobh méide de, ná na litreacha sa téacs i mbÉarla.
- Cuirfidh an téacs i nGaeilge agus an téacs i mbÉarla an fhaisnéis chéanna in iúl.
- Ní dhéanfar focal sa téacs i nGaeilge a ghiorrú mura bhfuil an focal sa téacs i mbÉarla giorraithe freisin.



Acht na dTeangacha

Oifigiúla 2003

- Cuireann Acht na dTeangacha Oifigiúla 2003 úsáid na Gaeilge chun cinn i gnóthaí an stáit.
- Leagann an tAcht amach:
⇒ dualgais na gcomhlacthaí poiblí maidir le seirbhísí a sholáthar i nGaeilge
⇒ cearta an phobail leas a bhaint as na seirbhísí sin.

Scéim Teanga

Ollscoil Mhá Nuad

2014 – 2017

- Tá an dara Scéim Teanga á cur i bhfeidhm ag an Ollscoil.
- Tá sé mar chuspóir leis an scéim teanga méadú a dhéanamh ar líon agus ar chaighdeán na seirbhísí Gaeilge atá ar fáil ó Ollscoil Mhá Nuad thar tréimhse ama.
- Tá an Scéim ar fáil ar shuíomh Oifig na Gaeilge faoi ‘Acht na dTeangacha Oifigiúla’.