

APPENDIX:

Masters (Men's and Open Women's)

See below for competition specific details. The rules and details contained in the main body of the Competitor's Guide apply to this competition. In the event there is a perceived conflict between the Competitor's Guide and this appendix, this appendix is considered to take priority.

This appendix is subject to further review and evaluation on, at minimum, an annual basis. Teams competing in a Curling Alberta Provincial Qualifier do so with the knowledge that they must continue to play at all levels, up to and including the Provincial Championships, until they are eliminated.

In effect, this means a competitor may enter the Masters category and another category (e.g. Seniors if eligible and/or Women's/Men's) as long as there is no date conflict up to and including the Provincial Championship.

The draw and schedule for the Provincial Qualifiers and Provincial Championships will be supplied to all teams and posted on the Curling Alberta Website. Reference the Draw Policy on the Curling Alberta Website for details on the draw making procedure and seeding process.

A. PROVINCIAL QUALIFIERS

1. The details and format are as described in section 1 and 2 of the Curling Alberta Provincial Berth Policy, with the exception of the Masters Women's category as described below.
2. There will be no Provincial Qualifiers staged in the Masters Women's competitions. Instead, an unlimited number of teams may enter the Provincial Championship to determine the provincial champion.
3. In the Masters Men's category, eight (8) provincial berths are awarded in total, all through results at the Provincial Qualifiers.
4. There are no pre-qualifying berths in the Masters category.
5. All games are eight (8) ends and are not timed, however, teams are still expected to maintain a reasonable pace of play as managed by the Chief Umpire (no minimum number of ends)
6. There are no "free agents" or 5th players in any Curling Alberta Masters competition.

B. MASTERS MEN'S PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP

1. The format is an eight (8)-team full round-robin with playoffs.
2. All games are eight (8) ends and are not timed, however, teams are still expected to maintain a reasonable pace of play as managed by the Chief Umpire (minimum of four (4) ends).
3. Each team has two (2) time outs per 8 end game; 60 seconds meeting time or 90 seconds with travel time – Chief Umpire will advise.
4. A delivery stick may be used.
5. Playoffs
 - i. After the round-robin, the **first place** team will advance to the finals.
 - ii. The second and third place teams will play in a semi-final with the winner advancing to the finals (see Playoffs section 2(C)(5) in the Competitor's Guide for complete details, including the procedure in the event of a tie for a playoff position).
6. For playoff stone selections, the Chief Umpire will advise the sheets the Women select from and which sheets the Men select from.

C. MASTERS WOMEN'S PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP

1. The format for the Masters Women's Provincial Championship will be determined based on the number of entries received and announced within 14 days of the registration deadline closing. The format will be emailed to the registered skip of each team.
2. All games are eight (8) ends and are not timed, however, teams are still expected to maintain a reasonable pace of play as managed by the Chief Umpire (minimum of four (4) ends).
3. Each team has two (2) time outs per 8 end game; 60 seconds meeting time or 90 seconds with travel time – Chief Umpire will advise.
4. A delivery stick may be used.