

APPENDIX:

(Men's and Women's) 2022 World Junior Provincial Team Qualifier

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

Special note for all competitors under 18 years of age: As per section 4 of the Competitors' Guide, Curling Alberta will require at least one parent/guardian of each player under 18 years of age to complete the online Respect in Sport – Parent Program in order for the minor to participate in any sanctioned event. Access the RiS Parent Program registration and FAQ's: <https://curling-canada-parent.respectgroupinc.com/>.

Teams competing in a Curling Alberta Provincial 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 U20 (Junior category and another category (e.g., Mixed Doubles, U18 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 Championships will be supplied to all teams and posted on the Curling Alberta Website. Reference the Competitor's Guide for details on draw making procedure and seeding if applicable.

A. PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP:

1. **Women's category** – The format is a seven (7) team full round-robin with “top 3” playoffs.
2. **Men's category** – The format is a nine (9) team full round robin with “top 3” playoffs.
 - Teams will self -seed in each category
3. All games are 10 ends and are timed. A minimum of five ends must be played.
4. Coaches will utilize the **Enhanced Coaching Involvement Pilot**. In doing so, 2 minutes of thinking time will be added, but there will be no timeouts. (See Enhanced Coaching Involvement Guide for details). Thinking time is **40 minutes per 10 ends; 5 minutes and 30 seconds** are allowed for each extra end. The fifth end break is **5 minutes**.
5. Each player must deliver a minimum of **one LSD** during the round robin.
6. Teams must have a coach. Coaches at this competition are considered a team member and must abide by all relevant policies and team expectations (see the Competitors' Guide for details).
7. Teams must follow the uniform policy as stated in the Competitor's Guide (see SECTION 2: 2.A. General Information 1. Dress Standards) but DO not need to comply with the Cresting Policy other than the stipulation for this age category which states, 'Teams that are U18 and under may not display logos representing companies that are in the alcohol, cannabis or tobacco industries.'

B. 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 final (see Playoffs section 2(C)(5) in the Competitors' Guide for complete details, including the procedure in the event of a tie for a playoff position).

C. NATIONAL QUALIFIER CHAMPIONSHIP:

1. The team in each gender that wins the Provincial Event will represent Alberta at the 2022 World Junior National Qualification in Saskatoon SK November 20-27, 2021.

This is the statement from Curling Canada:

2022 World Junior Championship Canadian Team Qualification Event

- This **one-time World Juniors Qualifier** event is intended to provide a short-term fix to a problem created by the pandemic, and will determine two high performance teams with medal potential at the 2022 World Junior Championships (Feb. 19-26, location to be announced by the World Curling Federation). Member Associations will send teams (one team per gender) to the Junior Qualifier event. **User pay event.**
- Junior Qualifier will be held at the **Granite Curling Club in Saskatoon, Nov. 22-27, 2021.**
- All athletes must be 20 years of age or less on June 30, 2021 (as per World Curling Federation rules to be eligible for 2022 World Juniors).
- Curling Canada will bring the winning teams to the **Continental Cup, Jan. 20-23, 2022**, to train with National Coaches on arena ice.

As per Curling Alberta's Code of Conduct, please be advised that competitors and coaches are prohibited from consuming alcoholic beverages during a U15, U18 or U20/U21 events sanctioned by Curling Alberta. This shall include the entire time frame from departure to the competition through to and including arrival at home from the sanctioned event.