



Curling Alberta Announces Canada Winter Games Trials Process

The process to name Team Alberta at the 2023 Canada Winter Games (CWG) has been finalized. Curling Alberta will send one U18 Boys, one U18 Girls, and one U20 Mixed Doubles team to Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island February 18 - March 5, 2023. We wish to formally present some initial information on eligibility and the qualification process to our coaches and young curlers.

The Canada Games Experience

Attending the Canada Winter Games is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Many curlers will attend multiple national and even international competitions in their careers. What makes the Canada Games different is the opportunity for an athlete to be part of one of the largest multisport events in the world. It is a great opportunity to travel across our country as part of Team Alberta, and make friends from many sports and provinces. It is an experience of immeasurable value.

Boy's & Girls Fours - Qualification Process

Summary: A pre-trials event will serve to qualify three teams of each gender for a CWG Trials event which will ultimately decide Alberta's representatives at the 2023 CWG. One additional team of each gender will qualify for the CWG Trials by being the top eligible team on the Excel Points Race after the first three events of the 2022-'23 season (each team's best three results according to the Excel Points Race will be counted before the determined cut-off date). All teams that qualify for the CWG Trials will be provided with training and support along their developmental journey. Details regarding the training opportunities will be communicated as they become available. If any qualifying team is forced to withdraw from the process, the next team in the CWG points race will be offered a spot.

Curling Alberta U18 CWG Pre-Trials

Dates: March 4-6, 2022

Location: Saville Community Sports Centre, Edmonton, AB

Event Description & Format: Open registration, in both boys and girls categories. Triple knockout format, qualifying three U18 teams of each gender for the U18 Alberta CWG Trials.

Player Eligibility: Under 18 as of June 30, 2022 (born July 1, 2004 or later)

Coach Eligibility: Competition Coach - Trained status

Registration Info: Teams can register [online](#) before February 16th, 2022 at 12:00 pm. The registration fee is \$300 per team.

Curling Alberta U18 CWG Trials

Dates: Early 2023

Location: TBD

Event Description & Format: Only the four U18 boys' and the four U18 girls' teams that qualify for this event through the process described above will be eligible to enter.

Player Eligibility: Under 18 as of June 30, 2022 (born July 1, 2004 or later)

Coach Eligibility: Certified Competition Development Coach OR Certified Competition (Competition Introduction) Coach with the following two Competition Development Courses - "Manage a Program" and "Health and Wellness".

Registration info will be announced closer to the event.

U20 Mixed Doubles - Qualification Process

Summary: A pre-trials event will serve to qualify four teams of each gender for a CWG Trials event which will ultimately decide Alberta's representatives at the 2023 CWG. All teams that qualify for the CWG Trials will be provided with training and support along their developmental journey. Details regarding the training opportunities will be communicated as they become available. If any qualifying team is forced to withdraw from the process, the next highest ranked team at the CWG Pre-Trials will be used as a replacement.

Curling Alberta U19 Mixed Doubles Team Training Camp

Date: April 6, 2022

Location: Edmonton, AB (Club TBD)

Event description & Format: Leading into the U21 Mixed Doubles Provincial Championships, Curling Alberta will host an open registration mixed doubles training camp directed by some of our top competitive curlers and high-performance coaches.

Player Eligibility: Under 20 as of June 30, 2022 (Born July 1, 2002 or later)

Coach Eligibility: No credentials required.

Registration Info: Free for all eligible curlers, register [here](#)

Curling Alberta U20 Mixed Doubles CWG Pre-Trials

Dates: Fall 2022

Location: TBD

Format: Open "Trials Qualifier" - triple knockout format, qualifying 4 U20 teams for the U20 Mixed Doubles Alberta CWG Trials

These 4 teams would be given training opportunities by Curling Alberta, working with Curling Alberta's Excel Regional Coaches leading up to the U20 Mixed Doubles Alberta CWG Trials.

Player Eligibility: Under 20 as of June 30, 2022 (Born July 1, 2002 or later)

Coach Eligibility: Competition Coach - Certified status

Registration Info: Teams can register [here](#) before August 31, 2022 at 12:00 pm. The registration fee is \$200 per team.

Spring 2023 - U20 Mixed Doubles Alberta CWG Trials - Location TBD

4 mixed doubles teams will qualify for the U20 Alberta CWG Trials directly through the U20 Mixed Doubles Alberta CWG Pre-Trials

Player Eligibility: Under 20 as of June 30, 2022 (Born July 1, 2002 or later)

Coach Eligibility: Certified Competition Development Coach OR Certified Competition (Competition Introduction) Coach with the following two Competition Development Courses - "Manage a Program" and "Health and Wellness".

Registration info will be announced closer to the event.