

## APPENDIX:

# Senior (Men's and Women's)

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.

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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 Senior category and another category (e.g. Masters 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 Competitor's Guide on the Curling Alberta Website for details on the draw making procedure and seeding process.

## **A. PROVINCIAL QUALIFIERS - SENIOR MEN ONLY**

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 Senior Women's category as described below.
2. There will be no Provincial Qualifiers staged in the Senior Women's competition. Instead, an unlimited number of teams may enter the Provincial Championship to determine the provincial champion.
3. In the Senior Men's category, 8 provincial berths are awarded in total, per gender, all through results at the Provincial Qualifiers.
4. There are no pre-qualifying berths in the Senior category.
5. All games are 8 ends and are not timed, however, teams are expected to maintain a reasonable pace of play as managed by the Chief Umpire (no minimum # of ends).
6. There are no "free agents" in any Curling Alberta Senior competition.

## **B. SENIOR MEN'S PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. The format is an eight team full round-robin with "top 3" playoffs.
2. Stone handle color is predetermined and dark (red) practices first.
3. All games are eight ends and are timed.
4. Thinking time is 30 minutes and 4 minutes and 30 seconds for each extra end. The fourth end break is 5 minutes.
5. Teams will deliver one (1) LSD in pre-game practice to determine hammer.
6. Each player must deliver one (1) LSD during the round robin.
7. PLAYOFFS:
  - a. After the round robin, the first place team will advance to the finals.
  - b. 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 Competitors' Guide for complete details, including the procedure in the event of a tie for a playoff position).

## **C. SENIOR WOMEN'S PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. The format is a ten team round robin with 2 pools of 5 and a page playoff.
2. Teams will conduct a coin toss to determine stone handle colour or practice session.
3. All games are eight ends and are timed.
4. Thinking time is 30 minutes and 4 minutes and 30 seconds for each extra end. The fourth end break is 5 minutes.
5. Teams will deliver two (2) LSDs in pre-game practice to determine hammer.
6. Each player must deliver one (1) LSD during the Pool Play.
7. PLAYOFFS:
  - a. The winner of Pool A plays the winner of Pool B (CH#2) and second place Pool A plays second place Pool B (CH#1).
  - b. The winner of CH#1 plays in the Semi-Final against the loser of CH#2 and the loser of CH#1 is eliminated.
  - c. The winner of the Semi-Final plays the winner of CH#2 in the Championship game.
  - d. Further details in section 2(C)(5) in the Competitors' Guide



## D. PLAYOFF MEETING

1. Immediately following the last round-robin (pool play) draw, a meeting will occur between the Chief Umpire and the skips from the remaining tie-breaker and/or playoff teams.
2. It is mandatory that a designated member of each team be present for this meeting.
3. The Chief Umpire will further identify each team's responsibilities with respect to stone or hammer selection(s), and any adjustments to scheduling or ice allocations if necessary.