



## Alberta Junior Team Ranking System

The Alberta Junior Team Ranking System (AJTRS) was developed jointly by Curling Alberta and the Alberta Junior Curling Tour. This is a single, unified system of ranking junior teams based on their performance at bonspiels and championships in Alberta. The AJTRS will be in effect for the 2022-2023 season.

### Breakdown by Result

Points breakdown by result is as follows:

Champion	100%
Finalist	70%
Semifinalist	50%
Quarterfinalist	36%

*\*In the event that a third-place or bronze medal game is played, the team finishing in 3<sup>rd</sup> place will receive 56%, and the team finishing in 4<sup>th</sup> place will receive 50% of the Champion's points.*

### Points per Tier

There are different points awarded based on the age category, event, and tier. Teams will be listed on the AJTRS in every division that they earn points. For example, if a U18 team participates in a U20 event, their result will be listed on standings for both the U18 and U20 categories. However, if that same team plays in a U18 event, their result will only be listed on the U18 standings.

Placement points (Champion, Finalist etc) will only be awarded to 50% of the number of teams in an event (i.e. a 12 team event should have 6 qualifier spots to playoffs, thus 6 teams will be awarded placement points). *If more teams qualify to the playoffs than positions available in the event, the value of points will be awarded based on the charts below and divided between the teams reaching the quarterfinals (or semifinals if applicable), OR points-per-win values, whichever is higher.*

*Example: If 7 teams enter an event, there should only be 3 teams awarded Placement Points. However, if 4 teams qualify for the playoffs, the two semi-finalist teams will split the point value. This ensures that the event is worth the same number of points as it would with only 3 teams qualifying to the playoffs.*

<b>U20 Placement</b>	<b>Tier 1 (1.5x)</b>	<b>Tier 2 (1.0x)</b>
Champion	45	30
Finalist	31.5	21
Semifinalist	22.5	15
Quarterfinalist	16.2	10.8
Points per Win	3	2

<b>U18 Placement</b>	<b>Tier 1 (1.5x)</b>	<b>Tier 2 (1.0x)</b>
Champion	22.5	15
Finalist	15.75	10.5
Semifinalist	11.25	7.5
Quarterfinalist	8.1	5.4
Points per Win	1.5	1

<b>U15 AJCT Events</b>	<b>Points Awarded</b>
Champion	7
Finalist	5.25
Semifinalist	3.75
Quarterfinalist	2.7
Points per Win	0.5

### World Curling Tour (WCT) Events

World Curling Tour Events will be divided into two tiers based on the strength of field multiplier (SFM) as determined by the WCT. If an event meets or exceeds a SFM threshold of **5.0**, the event will be classified as Tier 1 WCT. If not, the event will be classified as Tier 2 WCT. Alberta Curling Tour (ACT) events qualify as World Curling Tour (WCT) events.

<b>Other Events</b>	<b>Tier 1 WCT Events (SFM ≥5)</b>	<b>Tier 2 WCT Events (SFM &lt;5)</b>
Champion	80	60
Finalist	56	42
Semifinalist	40	30
Quarterfinalist	28.8	21.6
Points per Win	5.34	4

### Other Events

The following points will be awarded for other events as listed below.

<b>Other Events</b>	<b>U20 Excel Cup &amp; AJCT Players Championship</b>	<b>Peace Curling Tour Challenge Division (U18 Teams Only)</b>
Champion	60	20
Finalist	42	14
Semifinalist	30	10
Quarterfinalist	21.6	7.2
Points per Win	4	1.33

## Points for Curling Alberta Events

The following points will be awarded for Curling Alberta events.

Curling Alberta Events	U18 Qualifiers	U18 Provincials	U18 AJTRS Provincials Berth	U20 Qualifiers	U20 Provincials	U20 AJTRS Provincials Berth
Champion	15 Points for Qualifying	40	15	30 Points for Qualifying	80	30
Finalist	N/A	28	N/A	N/A	56	N/A
Semifinalist		20			40	
Per Win		2			2.67	
Curling Alberta Events		U15 Qualifiers			U15 Provincials	
Champion		7.5 Points for Qualifying			20	
Finalist					14	
Semifinalist					10	
Per Win		1			1.33	

## Placement Points

In each event, placement points will be awarded to half of the teams entered in the event. We will use the following guidelines when determining how many teams receive placement points. These guidelines are subject to change.

- Number of teams receiving placement points will change based on the number of entries and number of qualifiers to the Championship Round
- Teams who are not awarded placement points will be awarded points per win based on the SFM
- Teams who are awarded placement points will not receive points per win

## Determination of Tiers

New for the 2022-2023 season is that events on the AJCT will have pre-determined tiers. This is based on feedback from the 2021-2022 season and will help with season planning and to alleviate any confusion on the number of points awarded at each event. Tier 1 events will be determined based on the following criteria: geographical location, dates/timing/spacing of events, and AJCT/Curling Alberta judgement. You can see the event schedule on our website [here](#).

### Maximum Number of Events

Only a team's top 5 results from AJCT events will be included in points calculations. Results from the Curling Alberta Provincial Qualifiers and Championships will not count towards this 5 event maximum and will still be included in their total points calculation.

**Example 1:** A U20 team competes in five (5) AJCT events, U20 Qualifiers and U20 Provincials and has all seven (7) events included in their total points calculation.

**Example 2:** A U18 team competes in seven (7) AJCT events, U18 Qualifiers and U18 Provincials. Only their top 5 results from the AJCT events as well as their results in the Qualifiers and Provincials will be counted towards their total points calculation.

### Substitution Policy

Teams are allowed to compete in AJCT events with substitute players. The substitution policies for Curling Alberta events can be found in their most recent Competitors Guide. A team eligible for AJTRS points must have 3 or more players from the original roster present at the event. I.E., a team that uses two substitutes/spares at an event is not eligible for AJTRS points.