

## APPENDIX:

# Canada Winter Games Trials - U20 Mixed Doubles

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.

This appendix is subject to further review and evaluation on, at a minimum, an annual basis.

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 or “Safe Sport” in order for the minor to participate in any event.

Access to the RiS Parent Program registration and FAQ's:

<https://curling-canada-parent.respectgroupinc.com/>

Access to Safe Sport program: <https://safesport.coach.ca/>

Teams competing in the Alberta Canada Winter Games (CWG) Trials do so with the knowledge that they must continue to play at all levels, up to and including the Canada Winter Games Trials, until they are eliminated. In effect, this means a competitor may enter the U20 CWG category and another category (e.g. Mixed Doubles, U20, as long as there is no date conflict up to and including the Alberta CWG Trials.

The draw and schedule for the CWG Trials will be supplied to all teams and posted on the Curling Alberta Website. Reference the Competitors' Guide for details on draw making procedure and seeding if applicable.

## A. FOR ALL MIXED DOUBLES COMPETITIONS:

1. All games are 8 ends.
2. In all Mixed Doubles competitions, with the exception of Provincial Championship playoffs, teams will conduct a coin toss to determine stone handle colour or practice order. See section C of this Appendix for provincial playoff procedures.
3. Pre-Game practice is 6 minutes per team.
  - a. Teams can throw all eight stones in pre-game practice and then select only five stones to throw for game play. They must keep those five stones for the entire game.
4. No stone in play, including the positioned stones and those in the house, can be moved to an out of play

position prior to the delivery of the fourth stone of the end. The fourth delivered stone is the first stone that can remove any stone from play.

5. At the start of every end, the team with `hammer` will decide on the horizontal placement of the positioned stones (center or which side).
6. Each team is allowed one Power Play per game determined by the team with hammer.
  - a. Vertical stone placement (depth of guard in front of the rings) is decided by the teams after the second practice and remains the same throughout the game.
  - b. The non-delivered stones or pre-positioned stones should be identified. Identifiers will be provided by the Chief Umpire.
7. If the end was blanked, the team that delivered first in that end shall determine the placement of the positioned stones.
8. Teams are not required to have a broom holder.
9. Teams must have 1 male and 1 female. There is no mixed doubles spare pool. Mixed Doubles are not permitted a substitute and therefore a team would be disqualified if the original 2 players were unable to compete. However, a permanent replacement for one of the players may be granted by Curling Alberta, if the circumstances are deemed appropriate by policy. See the Curling Alberta Competitors' Guide for player replacement criteria and procedures.
10. There are no "free agents" in any Curling Alberta U20 Mixed Doubles competition.

## B. ALBERTA CANADA WINTER GAMES (CWG) TRIALS:

1. The Alberta CWG Pre-trials is an open entry event. 14 teams will have registered.
2. The format will be a triple-knockout qualification round, with six (6) teams qualifying for the playoff round.
3. All games are eight (8) ends (no minimum # of ends).
4. There will be a 5 minute break after the 4th end.
5. 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).
6. Coaches will utilize the Enhanced Coaching Involvement Pilot. (See [Enhanced Coaching Involvement Guide](#) for details).
7. Game timing will not occur. Pace of play may be managed by the Chief Umpire. Teams are expected to be at the 45 minute mark by the 4th end.
8. PLAYOFFS: The sudden-death playoff round will consist of two quarterfinals between teams that qualify through the B event and the C event. The winners of the quarterfinals competing against the teams that qualify through the A event in the semifinals. The winners of the semifinals will advance to the sudden-death final.

## C. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP:

1. The team in each gender that wins the Alberta CWG Trials will represent Alberta at the 2023 Canada Winter Games in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island. U20 Mixed Doubles play has been set for the second week of competition, from February 28 - March 5, 2023.

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 period from departure to the competition through to and including arrival at home from the sanctioned event.