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STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLE: the Canadian Wheelchair Championship is intended to provide a national championship experience for individuals who are unable to deliver a curling stone from the hack or with a delivery stick from a standing position. Non-wheelchair curlers who participate in stick curling or are capable of delivering with a stick from a standing position are not eligible to participate in the Canadian Wheelchair Curling Championship.

A Provincial / Territorial Member Association, unable to field a team of a minimum of four (4) athletes representing both genders at the Canadian Wheelchair Championship, **may request a residency exemption**. If a team[s], wishing to compete in a P/T Wheelchair Championship, is unable to field a team of a minimum of four [4] athletes representing both genders may, with the approval of their association, request a residency exemption.

Revised October 2023.

The revision to the residency exemption is intended to better enable member associations to field teams in the **2024 Canadian Wheelchair Championships**. In addition, a committee will be formed to review format and team selection options for future Canadian Wheelchair Championships. Please note that residency exemption requests should be made subsequent to the respective Provincial / Territorial Championships or Playoffs being held.

The Member Association with a player shortage may contact any other Member Association requesting a replacement player from their jurisdiction to a maximum **of two (2) players**. The replacement player(s) may have participated in their own provincial / territorial wheelchair playdown process and still be available for selection to another jurisdiction. Active players of the wheelchair 5-member national team or the 2-member mixed doubles team **are ineligible** to be selected as a replacement player.

The Member Association **considering** the request may:

- refuse the request without prejudice; or,
- agree to the request by providing a pool of players available for selection.

Any player selected must be fully eligible to compete in the Canadian Wheelchair Championship as per Curling Canada's current residency and eligibility rules.



Any selected player will sign the participation agreement for the Canadian Wheelchair Championship and will be considered a full member of the Member Association provincial / territorial championship team making the request.

There will be a two (2) consecutive year limit for this exemption request by any Member Association. There is an expectation that each Member Association will recruit and develop sufficient players of both genders to field a full 4-person team. If the Member Association is still short a player in the third consecutive year, they will be required to request a special exemption from Curling Canada.

The Member Associations involved will complete the request for exemption form and submit to **Curling Canada for final approval.**



Use this form if you are residing in one province/territory and are requesting an exemption to participate for another province / territory at the Canadian Wheelchair Championships.

Athlete to complete sections 1 to 3

Member Associations to complete sections 4 to 6

1. Athlete Information:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Town: _____ Province/Territory _____ Postal Code: _____

Mobile Number: _____ Email: _____

2. Exemption Request: Competition Season requesting for: 20____/____

Requesting exemption to compete in which Province/Territory: _____

3. Statement of Accuracy and Relevance:

I hereby attest to the accuracy of the information contained in this Application for Exemption. I understand that this application ONLY applies to the current season. I further understand that the submission of false information may result in a one-year suspension from competing in Curling Canada sanctioned championships OR championships coordinated by Member Associations.

Print Name-Athlete Signature Date

application must be signed by a parent or guardian if the athlete is under the legal age of majority.

4. Application Received:

The application was received by the _____ (Member Association)

on _____ (date)

5. Member Association (Province/Territory) of Athlete's Current Residence

Member Association Representative (print name)

Print Name Signature Date

Member Association Representative Authorizing Release

6. Member Association (Province/Territory) of Athlete's Request to Compete In

Member Association Representative (print name)

Print Name Signature Date

Member Association Representative Authorizing Release

Provincial/Territorial contact information can be found at the following link:

<http://www.curling.ca/membership/member-associations/>

Please return fully signed copies to: Curling Canada rules@curling.ca for final approval.