APPENDIX:

WHEELCHAIR (MIXED)

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 minimum, an annual basis.

Curling Alberta requires all athletes in the Men's, Women's, Mixed Doubles, Mixed, U20, U21 Mixed Doubles, Seniors and Wheelchair categories to complete the online Safe Sport Program in order to participate in any Curling Alberta sanctioned event. To complete Safe Sport training, athletes must sign up for 'The Locker' via the Coaches Association of Canada website. Access the Safe Sport Program website, information, and participant training here: https://safesport.coach.ca/participants-training

The draw and schedule for the Provincial Qualifier or Provincial Championships will be supplied to all teams and posted on the Curling Alberta Website. See the Competitor's Guide on the Curling Alberta Website for details on the draw making procedure and seeding process.

A. ALL WHEELCHAIR COMPETITIONS

All members of the team must abide by the Canadian Wheelchair Championship eligibility: https://curlingalberta.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/wheelchair-policy-June2020-EN.pdf

B. PROVINCIAL QUALIFIERS

There will be no Provincial Qualifiers staged in this competition. Instead, up to eight (8) teams may enter the Provincial Championship on a first-come-first-served basis.

C. PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP

 The format is an open championship. The format will be determined based on the number of entries received and announced within 14 days of the registration deadline closing. The format will be email to the registered skip of each team.

- i. To clarify, there will not be any provincial qualiers or pre-qualiers in this category
- 2. All games are eight (8) ends and are timed (minimum of four (4) ends must be played).
- 3. Thinking time is 38 minutes, extra ends are 6 minutes.
- 4. The fourth end break is seven (7) minutes.
- 5. Stones are delivered from a stationary wheelchair positioned within 18 inches of the center line. Stones are used from the assigned game sheet.
- The feet of the player cannot touch the ice during delivery.
- 7. The stone is delivered using a conventional arm/hand delivery OR an approved delivery stick.
- 8. Sweeping is not permitted.
- 9. All teams must be of both genders, in any combination.
- 10. If a team plays with three (3) players, both genders must be present in the game.
- 11. Motorized wheelchairs are permitted.
- 12. Team listed first in the draw will deliver dark coloured handles and will have first practice.
- 13. Pre-game practice:
 - i. Pre-game practice is 10 minutes.
 - ii. Immediately following their practice, each team must deliver two LSD during the round robin. One clockwise and one counter-clockwise.
- 14. No tie-breaker games. Teams tied shall be ranked 1st by their head-to-head results and then by Draw Shot Challenge (DSC).

If playoffs are required, there will be no tie-breaker games leading into the playoffs:

- i. After the round-robin, the first place team will advance to the finals.
- ii. 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).
- 15. Although teams are encouraged to wear matching uniforms, dress standards noted in section 2(A)(1) of the Competitors' Guide do not apply. Curling appropriate attire is expected. Scarves, toques, hoodies and/or blankets may be used by the team to stay warm.
 - i. We encourage teams to follow the Cresting Policy on the Curling Alberta website, however cresting does not have to be visible at all times. To clarify, cresting may be covered by additional layers to keep warm.

C. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

1. If Alberta is awarded a second berth, the team with the best win/loss record will be Team Alberta at the end of the championship. The second place team will be Team Alberta #2.