



CURLING ALBERTA'S UPDATES FOR THE 2024-25 COMPETITION SEASON

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To ensure that Curling Alberta continues to develop with our sport and offers the best opportunities for our curlers, we have made the following changes:

Competitor's Guide:

- In aligning with Curling Canada, every adult category that leads to a national championship (excluding Masters) may request one (1) timeout per game (unless using Coach Interactions)

Provincial Qualifiers:

- All provincial qualifying events held in Central and Southern regions will set registration deadlines 2 days prior to the provincial qualifying events held in the peace region.

U18:

- The playoff format at the provincials will now be a 4-team Page Playoff.

Women:

- Added a Provincial Qualifier to the Peace region.
- Expanded the provincial field from 8 teams to 12 teams.
- Increased the pre-qualifying berths from 4 berths to 5 berths: 3 - WCTR points & 2 - ACT points. A team accepting a pre-qualifying berth is ineligible to compete in a Provincial Qualifier. Reference Curling Alberta Provincial Berth Policy for details.
- Increased the standard qualifying berths to 7.
- Teams may only register for one of the three Women's qualifiers by the registration deadline(s). In other words, please do not register for the Last Chance PQ unless that is the only qualifier you will enter. Registered teams that were not successful in winning a provincial berth will be sent a private link to register for the Last Chance and are required to pay another entry fee minus the competitor fee. The Last Chance registrations will not reopen to the public following the registration deadline.

U15:

- The provincial field has been reduced from 20 teams to 18 teams.

Senior Men:

- The playoff format at the provincials will now be a 4-team Page Playoff.

U20:

- Eliminated provincial qualifiers, moving to an open provincial championship.

Master Men:

- The playoff format at the provincials will now be a 4-team Page Playoff.

U21 Mixed Doubles:

- Changed age from U21 to U20 to match Curling Canada eligibility for future U21 National events.

Club Championships:

- Curling Canada eligibility rules have changed from teams having to curl together in a league to teams having to only belong to the same Curling Club.

Mixed Doubles, Wheelchair, Men, Senior Women, Master Women and Mixed category appendices remain status quo with no key changes.

Cresting and Safe Sport Policies remain status quo with no key changes.

A kind reminder that it remains the responsibility of the competitors and coaches to read and adhere to all policies contained in the most recent publication of Curling Alberta competitive policies [including appendices] available on the Curling Alberta website. Any questions should be directed to the Curling Alberta office.