

APPENDIX:

Wheelchair (Mixed)

This Appendix outlines competition-specific rules and procedures for the Wheelchair category. 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 takes precedence.

This Appendix is reviewed annually and is subject to updates.

Safe Sport Compliance

All participants are required to comply with Safe Sport Training requirements. Full details, including training expectations, deadlines, and compliance procedures, are outlined in the Competitor's Guide and on Curling Alberta's website. **Failure to comply may result in the participant being deemed ineligible to participate in competition.**

The draw and schedule for the Provincial Qualifier or Provincial Championships will be supplied to all teams and posted on the Curling Alberta website.

A. ALL WHEELCHAIR COMPETITIONS

All team members must comply with Curling Canada's eligibility requirements for the Canadian Wheelchair Championship, including adherence to the Wheelchair Curling Classification Guidelines. Participants must ensure they meet all classification criteria as outlined by Curling Canada (refer to <https://www.curling.ca/wheelchair/> and the Wheelchair Curling [Classification Document](#)).

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

1. 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 emailed to all team members.

- a. All games are eight (8) ends and are timed (no minimum number of ends to be played).
2. Thinking time is 38 minutes, extra ends are 6 minutes.
3. All Curling Alberta competitions that lead to a Curling Canada sanctioned National Championship will abide by Curling Canada's timeout structure. At the wheelchair level, all teams will be given one (1) 60-second timeout per game (with travel time to be determined).
 - a. The mid-game break is seven (7) minutes.
 - b. Stones are delivered from a stationary wheelchair positioned within 45.72 cm of the center line. Stones are used from the assigned game sheet.
 - c. The player's feet cannot touch the ice during delivery.
 - d. The stone is delivered using a conventional arm/hand delivery OR an approved delivery stick. Sweeping is not permitted.
 - e. The no-tick rule does not apply.
 - f. All teams must be of both genders, in any combination.
 - g. If a team plays with three (3) players, both genders must be present in the game.
 - h. Motorized wheelchairs are permitted.
 - i. 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.

4. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

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. If a playoff format is used, the team that wins the final game will be Team Alberta #1. The team that loses the final game will be Team Alberta #2.