

CATEGORY SPECIFIC RULES

2021 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

The BC Club Championship shall be a 5-day Open event with a preliminary and playoff format based upon the total number of entries (see chart under rule 8G). Teams will play 8 end games. The successful teams will represent BC at the Club Championship Nationals, November 28th-December 4th, 2021 in Ottawa, Ontario.

Rules:

- The curling club represented by each team shall be affiliated with Curl BC, in good standing, and all applicable dues paid in full.
- Each four-person team **is allowed** to have one (1) player who, during the previous **three (3) curling seasons**, has participated in; and/or, the Canada Cup; and/or, the Continental Cup; and/or, the Under-21; and/or, the Tournament of Hearts; and/or, the Brier; and/or; and/or, the Under-18; and/or, the Canadian Wheelchair; and/or, any Canadian Trials or Pre-Trials event; or any provincial / territorial event leading to these events. This same player can have played in a Tier 1 or Tier 2 Grand Slam event in the previous three (3) curling seasons.
- Teams shall qualify under the conditions of having played in a regular Women's or Men's league together within their club during the 2019-20, 2020-21 or be registered to be playing together in an eligible league during the 2021-22 season together in order to be eligible to enter the 2021 BC Club championship (this is for 2021 only, due to COVID-19). If you have questions about your team's eligibility, please contact the Curl BC office.

In this category only a 5th player may compete at any level of competition including the Canadian Championships. They shall play the lead position throwing the first two stones of any and all ends for their team and sweeping delivered stones numbered 3-8. No exceptions. Any 5th player costs will be the responsibility of the team.

Please refer to the national rules for detailed eligibility requirements.

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- The curling club represented by each team shall be affiliated with Curl BC, in good standing, and all applicable dues paid in full.
- Each four-person team is allowed to have one (1) player who, during the previous three (3) curling seasons, has participated in; and/or, the Canada Cup; and/or, the Continental Cup; and/or, the Under-21; and/or, the Tournament of Hearts; and/or, the Brier; and/or; and/or, the Under-18; and/or, the Canadian Wheelchair; and/or, any Canadian Trials or Pre-Trials event; or any provincial / territorial event leading to these events. This same player can have played in a Tier 1 or Tier 2 Grand Slam event in the previous three (3) curling seasons.
- Teams shall qualify under the condition of playing in a regular Women's or Men's league together within their club during the 2021-22 season to be eligible to enter this category. If you have questions about your team's eligibility, please contact the Curl BC office.

In this category only a 5th player may compete at any level of competition including the Canadian Championships. They shall play the lead position throwing the first two stones of any and all ends for their team and sweeping delivered stones numbered 3-8. No exceptions. Any 5th player costs will be the responsibility of the team.

Please refer to the national rules for detailed eligibility requirements.

MEN

The Men's BC Championship shall be a 12- team event with two pools of 6 and a 4-team playoff with 10-end games. The top two (2) teams in each pool will advance to the playoffs. Games will be 10 ends in length. The successful team will represent BC at the 2022 Brier, March 4-13th, 2022 in Lethbridge, BC. The 12 teams shall qualify for the BC Championships as follows:

- The top team on the Canadian Team Ranking System as determined by points accrued from September 1st, 2021 to December 7th, 2021.
- The top three BC Tour teams as determined by points accrued at events within BC September 1st, 2021 to December 7th 2021, who have competed in a minimum of three (3) BC tour events.
- 5 Zone/Inter-Zone events – 8 berths to be prorated (based on the number of entries) among the 5 inter-zone events. Each Inter-zone event gets 1 berth, as long as the inter-zone event meets the minimum number of 3 teams entering.

The Inter-Zone events are as follows:

Zone 1: Kootenays

Zone 2: Thompson-Okanagan

Zone 3/4/5: Fraser Valley/Fraser River/Vancouver-Coastal

Zone 6: Vancouver Island-Central Coast

Zone 7/8: Northwest/ Northeast

Note - points from zone, provincial and national events do not go towards the CTRS Berth or the BC Tour Berths.

*If a zone has fewer than 3 entries, that berth will be prorated within the other zone events.

**If there are only one or two entries in an inter-zone playdown, that team may travel to the next closest inter-zone event. The team's other option will be to withdraw from the inter-zone playdown process. If going to an alternative inter-zone event, a subsidy will be offered.

***In the event of a high number of entries, consideration will be given to increase the BC Championship to a larger number of teams

Berth reallocation is at the discretion of the CEO.

Rules:

- Individuals shall be bona fide residents of BC prior to Sept. 1 of the year preceding the championship season. For the 2021-2022 season this is Sept. 1, 2021. (With the exception of now permitting players from any other Canadian location to be part of the team as a "Free Agent" and any player who has moved away from the province or territory they were born in can be part of the team due to their "Birthright" status)
- Updated residency eligibility rules for the Brier can be found here:
<https://www.curling.ca/team-canada/canadian-team-ranking-system/residency-rules/residency-eligibility-rules/>.
- No curler may enter the same category of competition in more than one inter-zone in a season
- Fifth players are permitted at all levels of play up to and including national events.
- If a game is tied after the ten ends allotted, the teams shall play extra ends until a winner is declared.
- A maximum of two tiebreaker games will be played to determine 2nd place in each pool. Cumulative LSD for the event will be used to break ties further.
- During a ten-end game, a mandatory break of five minutes shall take place at the conclusion of the fifth end. In televised games teams shall play a minimum of eight ends unless permission to concede is granted by the network and Chief Umpire.

WOMEN

The Women's BC Championship (Scotties) shall consist of an 8-team event competing in a Round Robin format of 10-end games and a 4-team page playoff. The successful team will qualify to represent BC at the 2022 Tournament of Hearts, January 28th-February 6th, 2022. The eight teams shall qualify for the BC Scotties as follows:

- The top team on the Canadian Team Ranking System, as determined by points accrued from September 1st, 2021 to December 7th, 2021
- The top three BC Tour teams as determined by points accrued from September 1st, 2021 to December 7th 2021, provide teams have competed in a minimum of three BC Tour events.
- One Open event will take place to determine the remaining 4 berths at the 2022 BC Scotties.

Notes: - points from zone, open, provincial and national events do not go towards the BC Tour berths or the CTRS berth.

- In the event of a high number of entries, consideration will be given to increase the BC Championship to a larger number of teams. Berth reallocation is at the discretion of the CEO.

Rules:

Individuals shall be bona fide residents of BC prior to September 1st of the year preceding the championship season. For the 2021-22 season this would be Sept. 1, 2021, With the exception of permitting from any other Canadian location to be part of the team as a "Free Agent" and any player who has moved away from the province or territory they were born in can be part of the team due to their "Birthright" status. Up to date residency eligibility rules for the tournament of hearts can be found here:

<https://www.curling.ca/team-canada/canadian-team-ranking-system/residency-rules/residency-eligibility-rules/>

- Fifth players are permitted at all levels of play up to and including national events.
- If a game is tied after the ten ends allotted, the teams shall play extra ends until a winner is declared.
- During a ten-end game, a mandatory break of five minutes shall take place at the conclusion of the fifth end.
- A maximum of two tie breaker games will be played to determine 4th place following round robin play. Head to head play followed by Cumulative LSD for the event will be used to break ties further.
- The Open event shall be held within reasonable proximity to an airport.
- In televised or streamed games teams shall play a minimum of eight ends unless permission to concede is granted by the network and Chief Umpire.

Under 21

The BC Under 21 Championship shall be an Open event with preliminary and playoff format based upon the total number of entries (see chart under rule 8 G.). The successful teams will represent BC at the 2022 Under 21 National Championships, March 25th-April 1st, 2022 in Stratford Ontario.

Rules:

- Each player shall be born on or after Jul 1, 2001
- Team may have one average athlete (21 years of age or less on June 30, 2022)
- 10 end games will be played in this championship
- If a game is tied after the ten ends allotted, the teams shall play extra ends until a winner is declared.
- During a ten-end game, a mandatory break of five minutes shall take place at the conclusion of the fifth end.
- In televised and streamed games teams shall play a minimum of eight ends unless permission to concede is granted by the network/curl bc and the Chief Umpire.
- Teams shall designate a fifth player for BC competitions. Fifth players are permitted at national events but at the team's expense.
- All teams shall have a coach who meets the certification requirements
- The coach shall have submitted a valid, current criminal record check with the Curl BC office, a minimum 2 weeks prior to the start of the event
- The coach shall follow and implement the "rule of 2" when in the role of coach.
- The Coach shall have completed the NCCP SafeSport Module through the NCCP Locker in the past 5 years.
- No tie breaker games will be played to determine the final playoff berth.
- Head to head play, followed by Cumulative LSD for the event will be used to break ties.
- Fair Play Time-Outs are permitted at junior events.
- Members of junior teams, including coaches, shall refrain from the consumption of alcoholic beverages or marijuana at any time during a competition.
- Juniors shall be in their hotel room by midnight, unless attending an official provincial championship function. The first violation of this curfew will result in a one game suspension to the player(s). The second violation will result in suspension from the remainder of the championship. The coach will be immediately notified by the Curl BC Championship Liaison of the disciplinary action, and a letter will be written by the Curl BC Board to the appropriate guardians and curling club. A warning to this effect will be given through the team briefing.

U21- Special Worlds Qualifier (2021-22 event only)

The 2021 U21 Special World's Qualifier will be a 4-day Open Championship with a 4 preliminary and playoff format based upon the total number of entries (see chart under rule 8 G). The winning teams (women, men) will qualify for the 2021 Special Worlds Qualifier that will determine Canada's representative at the 2022 World Junior Championships, February 19-26th, 2022. 10 end games will be played in this championship.

Rules

- All athletes must be 20 years of age or less on June 30, 2021
- Teams may designate a fifth player for BC competitions. Fifth players are permitted at national events but at the team's expense.
- Format will be based on event schedule of 4 days
- Head to head play, followed by Cumulative LSD for the event will be used to break ties.
- Successful teams must pay their own expenses for the special world qualifier event being run by Curling Canada
- Prize Money will be awarded to all playoff teams. The successful teams are responsible for all costs related to travelling to the U21 Special World's Qualifier being run by Curling Canada.
- All teams must have a coach that meets the certification requirements
- The coach must have submitted a valid, current criminal record check with the Curl BC office, a minimum 2 weeks prior to the start of the event.
- The coach must follow and implement the "Rule of 2" when in the role of coach.
- The Coach must have completed the NCCP SafeSport Module through the NCCP Locker in the past 5 years.
- Fair Play Time-Outs are permitted at junior events.
- Members of junior teams, including coaches, must refrain from the consumption of alcoholic beverages or marijuana at any time during a competition.
- Juniors must be in their hotel room by midnight, unless attending an official provincial championship function. The first violation of this curfew will result in a one game suspension to the player(s). The second violation will result in suspension from the remainder of the championship. The coach will be immediately notified by the Curl BC Championship Liaison of the disciplinary action, and a letter will be written by the Curl BC Board to the appropriate guardians and curling club. A warning to this effect will be given through the team briefing.

U18

The BC U18 Championship shall be an Open event with preliminary and playoff format based upon the total number of entries (see chart under rule 8 G. Games will be 8 ends in length. The successful boys' and girls' team will represent BC at the 2022 U18 Nationals, February 14-20th in Timmons, Ontario.

Rules

- Each player entering the U18 competition shall be 17 years of age or less on June 30, 2021.
- If a game is tied after the eight ends allotted, the teams shall play extra ends until a winner is declared.
- During an eight-end game, a mandatory break of five minutes shall take place at the conclusion of the fourth end.
- Teams may designate a fifth player for BC Competitions only. Fifth players are not permitted at National events.
- All teams shall have a coach that meets the certification requirements
- The coach must have submitted a valid, current criminal record check with the Curl BC office, a minimum 2 weeks prior to the start of the event
- The coach shall follow and implement the "Rule of 2" when in the role of coach.
- The Coach shall have completed the NCCP SafeSport Module through the NCCP Locker in the past 5 years.
- Fair Play Time-Outs are permitted.
- No tie breaker games will be played to determine the final playoff berth following preliminary round play.
- Head to Head play followed by Cumulative LSD for the event will be used to break ties.
- Prize money will be awarded to all playoff teams in this category
- Members of teams, including coaches, shall refrain from the consumption of alcoholic beverages and marijuana at any time during a competition.
- Teams shall be in their hotel room by midnight, unless attending an official provincial championship function. The first violation of this curfew will result in a one game suspension to the player(s). The second violation will result in suspension from the remainder of the championship. The coach will be immediately notified by the Curl BC Championship Liaison of the disciplinary action, and a letter will be written by the Curl BC Board to the appropriate guardians and curling club. A warning to this effect will be given at the team briefing.

BC WINTER GAMES (EVEN YEARS ONLY)

The BC Winter Games (BCWGs) shall consist of two pools of four teams with the top two in each pool advancing to a semi-final. The winner of each pool plays the second-place team in the other pool with the winner advancing to the final. Except for tie-breakers, no team shall be required to play more than two games per day. All round-robin games will be 8 ends. If there are 2 tie-breaker games, they will be 6 ends each. Teams that do not qualify for the semi-finals will be re-formed to play mixed doubles. This event does not lead to a national championship.

For playdowns, the province shall be divided in accordance with BC Winter Games boundaries, which are currently eight zones. Each curler and coach shall compete only for the zone in which they make their permanent residence.

Rules

- Each player entering this competition shall be **15 years of age or under as of Dec. 31, 2021** and shall not be younger than 11 years of age as of the first day of the BC Winter Games, whichever applies. Players shall meet BC Games Society Eligibility Rules in BC Games Years.
- If a game is tied after the eight ends allotted, the teams shall play extra ends until a winner is declared.
- If there are 2 tie-breakers the games will be 6 ends only.
- A mandatory break of five minutes will take place at the conclusion of the fourth end.
- For BC Winter Games the sponsorship rules of the BC Games Society will supersede Curl BC rules regarding cresting and team sponsors.
- Fifth players are permitted at all levels of competitions, up to and including the BC Winter Games.
- All teams shall have a coach that meets the certification requirements and has completed a criminal record check.
- Coaches will be allowed to access their teams for two minutes following each even end.
- If a zone or zones do not provide a representative(s), the replacement team(s) shall be from the host zone first. Following this it will be allocated to the zone(s) with the most entries. If an equal number of entries in two or more zones prevent a clear choice, the extra berth(s) shall be decided by coin toss.
- Members of BCWGs teams, including coaches, shall refrain from the consumption of alcoholic beverages and marijuana at any time during a competition.
- All teams shall have a coach that meets the certification requirements
- The coach shall have submitted a valid, current criminal record check with the Curl BC office, a minimum 2 weeks prior to the start of the event
- The coach shall follow and implement the "Rule of 2" when in the role of coach.
- The Coach shall have completed the NCCP SafeSport Module through the NCCP Locker in the past 5 years.
- Athletes shall be in their hotel room by winter games curfew, unless attending an official provincial championship function. The first violation of this curfew will result in a one game suspension to the player(s). The second violation will result in suspension from the remainder of the championship. The coach will be immediately notified by the Curl BC Championship Liaison of the disciplinary action, and a letter will be written by the Curl BC Board to the appropriate guardians and curling club. A warning to this effect will be given at the team briefing.
- Athletes shall be in games accommodation sites (scanned in) by BC Games curfew (11:00pm), unless attending an official provincial championship function. The first violation of this curfew will result in a one game suspension to the player(s). The second violation will result in suspension from the remainder of the championship. The coach will be immediately notified by the Curl BC Championship Liaison of the disciplinary action, and a letter will be written by the Curl BC Board to the appropriate guardians and curling club. A warning to this effect will be given at the team briefing.
- Coaches and adult supervisors shall be in games accommodation sites (scanned in) by BC Games curfew (11:00pm), Violation of curfew will be reviewed by the Curl BC Provincial Advisor and BC Winter Games Staff, and disciplinary actions will follow

Challenge Cup

The Challenge cup will be a 2-day Open event with a preliminary and playoff format based on the total number of entries. The goal of this event is to provide meaningful competition and foundational skills to youth competitors at the Train to Train stage of the Long-Term Curler Development Model. Games will be 6 ends in length. This event does not lead to a national championship.

** There will also be a U15 Rockfest West Event, March, 27-29th at the Saville Centre in Edmonton AB. Teams **do not** qualify for the 2021 RockFest West. Qualify for this singles event will be done based on data collected from Curling Canada's Single's App. More information on how individuals can qualify for the U15 Rockfest in Edmonton will be available by the start of the 2021-22 curling season from Curling Canada. **

Rules

- Each player entering this competition shall be **15 years of age or under as of Dec. 31, 2021** and shall not be younger than 11 years of age as of the first day of the Challenge Cup, whichever applies.
- If a game is tied after the six ends allotted, the teams shall play extra ends until a winner is declared.
- A mandatory break of five minutes will take place at the conclusion of the third end.
- Curl BC rules regarding cresting and team sponsors will be followed.
- Fifth players are permitted at all levels of competitions, up to and including the Challenge Cup.
- Coaches will be allowed to access their teams for two minutes following each even end.
- A team may enter the challenge cup with any combination of gender.
- Members of Challenge Cup teams, including coaches, shall refrain from the consumption of alcoholic beverages and marijuana at any time during a competition.
- All teams shall have a coach that meets the certification requirements
- The coach shall have submitted a valid, current criminal record check with the Curl BC office, a minimum 2 weeks prior to the start of the event
- The coach shall follow and implement the "rule of 2" when in the role of coach.
- The Coach shall have completed the NCCP SafeSport Module through the NCCP Locker in the past 5 years.
- Preliminary and Play-off formats for Challenge Cup will be decided based upon the number of entries.

2021 SENIOR

The BC Senior Championships shall consist of an open event with a preliminary and playoff format based on the total number of entries (see chart under rule 8 G). Games will be 8 ends in length. The successful teams at this event will represent BC at the 2021 Canadian Senior Championships, December 6-11th, 2021 in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.

Rules:

- Each player entering in a senior competition shall be a minimum of 50 years of age or over on June 30 in the year of the championship.
- Players wanting to compete in the 2021 BC Seniors will be born on or before June 30, 1971.
- If a game is tied after the eight ends allotted, the teams shall play extra ends until a winner is declared.
- During an eight-end game, a mandatory break of five minutes shall take place at the conclusion of the fourth end.
- No team shall be required to play more than two games in a day unless it's a playoff game.
- No Tie Breaker Games will be played. Ties will be broken by Head to Head play then Cumulative LSD during the preliminary round
- Teams may designate a fifth player for BC Competitions. Fifth players are permitted at national events at the team's expense

2022 SENIOR

The BC Senior Championships shall consist of an open event with a preliminary and playoff format based on the total number of entries (see chart under rule 8 G). Games will be 8 ends in length. The successful teams will represent BC at the 2022 Canadian Seniors, December 5-10th, 2022.

Rules:

- Each player entering in a senior competition shall be a minimum of 50 years of age or over on June 30 in the year of the championship.
- Players wanting to compete in the 2022 BC Seniors will be born on or before June 30, 1972.
- If a game is tied after the eight ends allotted, the teams shall play extra ends until a winner is declared.
- During an eight-end game, a mandatory break of five minutes shall take place at the conclusion of the fourth end.
- No team shall be required to play more than two games in a day unless it's a playoff game.
- No Tie Breaker Games will be played. Ties will be broken by Head to Head play then Cumulative LSD during the preliminary round
- Teams may designate a fifth player for BC Competitions. Fifth players are permitted at national events at the team's expense

MASTER

The BC Master Championship shall consist of an open event with a preliminary and playoff format based upon the total number of entries. (see chart under rule 8 G). All games will be 8 ends in length. The successful teams will represent BC at the 2022 Canadian Masters Championships scheduled April 5th-11th, 2022.

Rules:

- Each player entering Masters competition shall be a minimum of 60 years of age on Dec. 31 of the year prior to the provincial championship.
- If a game is tied after the eight ends allotted, the teams shall play extra ends until a winner is declared.
- During an eight-end game, a mandatory break of five minutes will take place at the conclusion of the fourth end.
- The use of the delivery stick at Masters Competitions is permitted and its use shall be in accordance with Curling Canada Rules for General Play Section 18.
- Teams may designate a fifth player for BC Competitions only. Fifth players are not permitted at National events.
- No tie breaker games will be played to determine the final playoff berth after preliminary play.
- Head to Head play followed by Cumulative LSD for the event will be used to break ties.

MIXED

The BC Championship shall be an open event. The format for the preliminary and playoff round will be based on the total number of entries (see chart under Rule 8 G). Each game will be 8 ends in length. The successful team will represent BC at the Canadian Mixed Championships, Nov 7-14th, 2021 in Canmore, AB.

Rules:

- Team shall be made up of two male and two female players and the male and female players shall play alternate positions. The Player delivering last stone and the player acting as vice skip shall be opposite genders.
- The following are the two (2) accepted team position/delivery rotations for 4-person mixed competitions:
 - (1) Male Lead (first thrower and sweeps delivered stones 3-8), female second (second thrower and sweeps stone 1-2 and 5-8) male third (third thrower and sweeps delivered stones 1-4) female skip (fourth thrower)
 - (2) Female lead (first thrower and sweeps delivered stones 3-8), male second (second thrower and sweeps stones 1-2 and 5-8) female third (third thrower and sweeps stones 1-4) male skip (fourth thrower)
- Game will be 8 ends in length.
- If a game is tied after the 8-ends allotted, the teams shall play extra ends until a winner is declared.
- a mandatory break of five minutes shall take place at the conclusion of the fourth end.
- teams are not permitted to have a fifth player.
- No tie-breaker games will be played to determine the final playoff berth.
- Head to head play, followed by cumulative LSD from the preliminary round will be used to break ties.

WHEELCHAIR

The BC Championship shall be an open event. The format for the preliminary and playoff round will be based on the total number of entries (see chart under Rule 8 G). Games will be 8 ends in length. The Successful team will represent BC at the 2022 Canadian Wheelchair Championships, February 21-26, 2022 in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan.

Rules:

- Teams may be comprised of eligible players from any zone in the province.
NOTE: In the event that BC cannot field a team for a national competition from within the province, Curl BC can now request an exemption to the residency rule in this category.
- Teams shall have at least one member of each gender.
- Except for tie-breakers, no team shall be required to play more than two games per day
- If a game is tied after the eight ends allotted, the teams shall play extra ends until a winner is declared.
- Each team will receive 36 minutes of thinking time.
- During an eight-end game, a mandatory break of five minutes will take place at the conclusion of the fourth end.
- Fifth players are permitted at all levels of play up to and including national events.

MIXED DOUBLES

The BC Championship shall be an open event with a preliminary and playoff format based upon the total number of entries (see chart under rule 8 G). Game will be 8 ends in length. The successful team will qualify for the 2022 Mixed Doubles Nationals, March 22-27th, in Sudbury Ontario.

Rules:

- Teams may be comprised of eligible players from any zone in the province.
- A team shall be comprised of two players, one male and one female.
- Alternate or spare players are not allowed. A team shall forfeit any game(s) in which it fails to have both athletes playing for the entire game.
- Each team will receive 22 minutes of thinking time.
- Each team shall deliver five stones per end. The player delivering the team's first stone of the end shall also deliver the team's last stone of that end. The other team member shall deliver the team's second, third and fourth stones for that end. The player delivering the first stone can change from end to end.
- The last stone is determined by each player delivering one stone (each with the opposite turn) – meaning that one will deliver clockwise and one counter clockwise
- No Tie-Breaker games will be played.
- Cumulative LSD result will be used to break ties
- For the final and semi-final games, playoff stone selection is as follows:
 - where there is a difference in the win/loss records of the teams, the team with the better win/loss record shall have hammer, choice of stone handle color and first practice.
 - where the teams have the same win/loss record, the team having won the round robin game shall have choice of either last stone or stone handle color. The team with hammer shall have first practice.

STICK (OPEN AND WOMEN'S)

The BC Open and BC Women's Stick Championships are open provincials and will have a preliminary round based upon the total number of entries. The playoff format in both events will consist of the top teams in each pool qualifying for the playoffs, the following playoff teams will be determined based on head to head play, round robin record, then cumulative LSD.

Rules:

- Each team is comprised of two curlers with no sweeping or brushing between the hog lines (Rule 6), each curler is always occupied, either delivering or skipping.
- One member of each team stays at each end of the rink, and shall not cross center ice (except as provided for in Rule 8).
- The two delivering curlers alternately deliver six stones each per end, while their teammates skip that end. Then roles are reversed.
- Each stone shall be delivered with a curling or delivery stick, from a standing or sitting (in a wheelchair) position. This provides equity for those physically unable to attain the sliding position.
- A stone is in play when it reaches the hog line at the delivering end. A stone that has not reached the hog line at the delivering end may be returned to the player and redelivered. The player will redeliver the same called shot and ice.
- Sweeping/brushing is not allowed between the hog lines. This provides fairness to those unable to sweep/brush. It also increases the challenge, not having the advantage of sweeping/brushing to affect either line or weight in the initial travel of the stone.
- The first three stones delivered in an end may not be removed from play before delivery of the fourth stone of that end. If that happens, the delivered stone is removed from play and all other stones are returned to their original position. With fewer stones used, and fewer ends, the stick game tends to be more defensive than the regular game. This rule helps make the game more offensive. The "in play area" is the area from the hog line to the back line.
- Each team may call a maximum of two 90 second time-outs (and meet at center ice) during a game. During an extra end, one time-out per team is allowed. Whenever a time-out is called, the opposing team may consult near center ice at the same time. This allows for team member consultation during a game in a timely manner. 9. In case of a tie, an extra end is played, with each player delivering 3 stones. The curlers then exchange roles at the midpoint of an extra end to complete the end. In the event the extra end is a blank, another end is played using the extra end format with each player continuing from the end of the rink where they finished the previous extra
- TIME-OUTS: Each team may call a maximum of two 90 second time-outs (the team calling the time out can meet in the house in play, the team not calling shall meet at center ice). During an extra end, one time-out per team is allowed. Whenever a time-out is called, the opposing team may consult near center ice at the same time. This allows for team member consultation during a game in a timely manner. 9. In case of a tie, an extra end is played, with each player delivering 3 stones. The curlers then exchange roles at the midpoint of an extra end to complete the end. In the event the extra end is a blank, another end is played using the extra end format with each player continuing from the end of the rink where they finished the previous extra end.
- If delivering from a stationary position the competitor must remain within 18 inches of the Centerline at all times.
- If the open or women's event has 7 or few teams, it will be a round robin format, with the top 3 teams making the playoffs. Team 1 will advance directly to the final with Team 2 and Team 3 playing in a semi-final game
- There is a chief umpire and event manager on site. Curlers will do their own measuring and are asked to mark the scoreboard promptly at the conclusion of each end so that online scoring can be updated timely.
- Rule enforcement and unresolvable on-ice situations are to be directed to the chief umpire and their decision will be final.
- Curl BC will adopt the same rules as the Canadian Stick Curling Association for this event. Curl BC applies the Rules of Curling for General Play, as approved by Curling Canada, with the following exceptions