

Officiating Updates 2019



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Regional Playdowns

- Accepting the assignment
- Preparing the team briefing document by adding the event, your name and contact information:
- <https://www.curlbc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/2019-20-CURL-BC-REGIONAL-EVENTS-TEAM-BRIEFING.pdf>
- When you get the draw and team rosters from Curl BC you are expected to email the following documents to the team contact:
 - Email Team Briefing Document
 - Copy of original team line-up
 - Change of team line-up



Regional Playdowns

- You should ensure you have copies to have on-hand at the event of all three documents.
- Prepare a last stone draw sheet.
- Answer any questions that the teams might have (if you don't know the answer you can reach out to me).
- Make sure you are at the curling facility at least 90 minutes before first draw.



Regional Playdowns

- Pre-draw practice is a maximum of 16 stones and/or 10 minutes
 - In a regional playdown stones are limited to ensure the ice will not break down.
- You may be responsible for keeping the draw updated at the curling club if a volunteer/staff member is unavailable.
- Make sure you look after yourself.
 - A regional event is long and tiring.

Equipment Inspections

- An equipment check should be done prior to the first draw for each team which includes:
 - Brush heads are compliant
 - Grippers are clean, in good condition, and free of debris in the inside**YOU DO NOT HAVE TO TAPE BROOMS OR DO ANY OTHER CHECK**
 - unless you are asked to inspect a suspected illegal device.
- Remember that a delivery device can be used to “light sweep” the anticipated path of a rock (Rule 11 (11)).

Regional Playdown Expenses

- We do our best to keep regional costs at a minimum, however our officials safety is taken into consideration.
 - Winter road conditions and draw times are considered when making travel arrangements for events.
- Curl BC will pay for a hotel room based on:
 - # of teams
 - # of draws
 - Must communicate with Patti Caldwell prior to the event if a hotel room may be needed.
- Mileage $\# \text{km} \times \$0.43$
- Food per diem is maximum \$44.00 per day
- Officiating honorarium \$ 20 per draw, or minimum \$100

Regional Playdown Expenses

- **The process for submitting expenses has changed this year.**
 - Forms & Receipts are to be submitted to myself (Patti Caldwell)
 - Copies of receipts are to be included.
 - Your food per diem
 - Total # of km driven
 - # draws
- Curl BC will pay for any hotel expenses.

CURL TIME

- There is a new version of Curl Time 5.2.27. If you have a chance, please update your own device.
 - This version will be used at all our provincial events. There is a wonderful document on the curl BC website created by Phil McKenzie
- <https://www.curlbc.ca/resources/documents-forms-officials/>

Officiating

- We are always looking for ways to encourage more individuals to stay involved and/or to join the ranks.
- As most of you know, officials come and go depending on where events are.
- At National events game umpires are now assigned to a sheet of ice for each draw, they are now the observers as well as the officials.
- Provincially I think we still want to involve volunteers in becoming officials.
- Curling Canada in conjunction with the World Curling Academy are looking at new pathways for levels and the teaching material is all being updated and will be ready for roll out next year.

Mixed Team Rule Clarification

- Clarification of the constitution of a mixed team. Rule 5.5.(c) (i):
- Four person mixed curling must always have four players on the ice with two men and two women alternating the delivery of stones. The skip must deliver the fourth stones and the player acting as vice skip must deliver third stones and be of the opposite gender.
- The following are the 2 accepted position/delivery rotations for 4-person mixed competition:
 - Male lead (first thrower), female second (second thrower), male third (third thrower and vice-skip), female skip (fourth thrower)
 - Female lead (first thrower, male second (second thrower), female third (third thrower and vice-skip), male skip (fourth thrower).

Provincial Pre-Draw Practice

- In alignment with Curling Canada, the pre-draw practice is 9 minutes and then 1 minute to deliver the last stone draw.
- For all regional and provincial events, we use a single last stone draw to determine hammer (even if the event will be done differently at the National level).
- If the first team delivers a stone that measures 0.00 or 199.6 (with a laser measure) then a second person will deliver using the same turn. If the second delivered stone is measured at 0.00 or 199.6 then the team will leave the ice. If the second team measures anything other than 0.00 or 199.6 nothing more has to happen. If the second team measures 0.00 or 199.6 then they will deliver a second stone. If that matches the measurement of the first team then the teams will alternate until the tie is broken.

Last Stone Draw

- Fred's team wins hammer

First Team		
Fred	0.00	
Harry	85.4	
Second Team		
Jim		43.2

Last Stone Draw

- Fred's team wins hammer

First Team		
Fred	0.00	
Harry	84.3	
Second Team		
Jim		0.00
Gary		95.6

Championship Rounds for Rocks and Hammer

- If at the conclusion of the round robin a team is clearly ahead in the standings i.e. 9-2 record versus a team with an 8-3 record. They would receive both hammer and rock color selection.
- If teams are tied at the conclusion of the round robin the head-to-head result determines last rock advantage only, the winner having choice of hammer or rock color.
- If more than 2 teams are tied for the final playoff spot (in an event with tie breakers) those teams tied are compared, if you cannot determine ranking based on the W/L record of the tied teams then ranking occurs based on last stone draw measurements (importance of keeping an accurate record now comes into play). In a tie breaker event no team can be eliminated without a tie breaking game.
- In an event without tie breakers and you have tied teams then last stone draw measurements come into play. I have a spreadsheet that can be used for events where 1 (largest) measurement is thrown out as well as a spreadsheet where 2 (largest) measurements are thrown out.
- Last stone draw advantage in a knock-out (triple) is for hammer determination in that game only.

Teams Tied After Round Robin

- Three teams tied after round robin play for the final playoff position– comparison to each other.
 - Based on scenario 1 Team A is ranked highest and would receive the bye, Team B would be ranked higher than Team C and would receive choice of hammer or rock color. Winner would play Team A to determine the final playoff team with Team A receiving choice of hammer or rock color

Scenarios

- Scenario 1 – based on win/loss record between tied teams

	Team A	Team B	Team C
Team A		W	W
Team B	L		W
Team C	L	L	

Scenarios

- Scenario 2 – unable to break tie based on win/loss record between the tied teams

	Team A	Team B	Team C	LSD
Team A		W	L	542.7
Team B	L		W	293.6
Team C	W	L		361.4

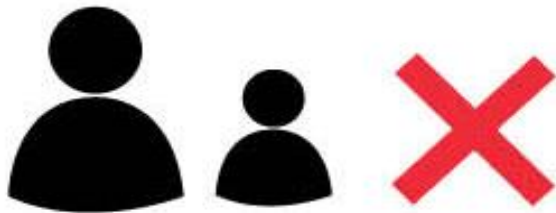
- LSD comparison determines ranking. Team B would receive the bye and Team A and Team C would play a tiebreaker with Team C having choice of hammer or rock color based on LSD. The winner would play Team B with B having choice of hammer or rock color.

In collaboration with Via Sport Curl BC is adopting the rule of 2 for all officials.

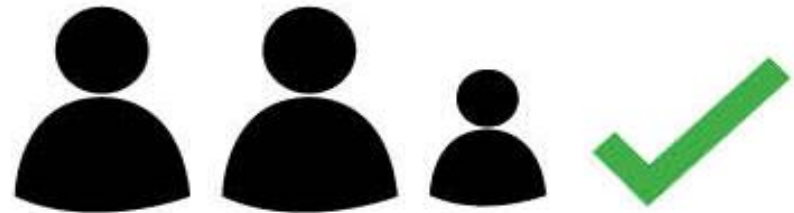
Rule of 2 = 3

What is the rule of two?

Adults should never be alone with or out of sight with any one athlete



Best practice is for 2 trained and/or screened adults to always be present with an athlete



All one-on-one interactions between a coach, official, volunteer or sport administrator and an athlete must take place within view of a second (preferably trained/screened) adult. One adult should also reflect the genders of the athletes participating when possible.

Practicing the rule of two

PRIVATE OR ONE-ON-ONE SITUATIONS



If you are alone with an athlete, leave the door open or stay somewhere in the facility within eyesight of other adults



CHANGEROOM ENVIRONMENTS



If you must enter, knock and announce yourself first. Move to an open environment and avoid use of mobile devices



UNACCOMPANIED TRAVEL WITH A CHILD



If required, obtain written permission from the child's parent or legal guardian and have them sit in the back seat



CONTACT OUTSIDE OF PROGRAM HOURS



Ensure parents and/or other adults can be present as well and obtain written permission from the child's parent



SHARING A HOTEL ROOM WITH A CHILD



If the athlete isn't old enough to room by themselves, require that a parent or legal guardian travels with them



Ask yourself ...

Is this the most appropriate time and place for this activity?

Is there a more open space available?

Who should be informed that I will be alone with this athlete?

What permissions should I seek out?

What changes could be made to avoid this in the future?

How can I safely separate myself from the athlete?

Rule of 2

- Curling Officials meeting with minor athlete(s):
 - Another adult representative of the minor athlete(s) is present.
 - The minor athlete(s) has the option to have an additional adult present that is the same gender (in the event the Official is the opposite gender of the athlete).
 - Vulnerable situations are any setting where the Curling Official is meeting with the minor athlete(s) and can include closed doors meetings, meeting in locker rooms, meeting in an Umpire or Officials rooms, amongst others. This rule serves to protect minor athletes by ensuring that more than one adult is present in potentially vulnerable situations.

Rule of 2

- This rule serves to protect minor athlete(s) by ensuring that more than one adult is present in a potentially vulnerable situation.
- Vulnerable situations include:
 - Closed door meetings
 - Locker room meetings
 - Umpire/Official room meetings.
- This means that any one-on-one interaction between a Curling Umpire and a minor athlete must take place in a public & transparent environment.
 - This includes meetings without a coach and/or adult representative of the minor athlete(s).
 - Where it is reasonable that the conversation and/or actions can be witnessed (by sight or within earshot) by others.
 - Public environment includes: field of play, coaches bench, facility lobby, public viewing areas.
 - The exception is in the event of a medical emergency.

Rule of 2

- **Examples are as follows:**

- **Situation:** A minor athlete may want to meet with a curling official to discuss a situation that occurred on the ice.
- **Resolution:** The Curling Official must insist that the Coach or adult of the minor athletes choosing is also present.

- **Situation:** A Curling Official may want to meet with a minor athlete after a curling game to discuss behaviour or any other item.
- **Resolution:** The Curling Official must insist that the Coach or adult of the minor athletes choosing is also present.

- **Situation:** While a game is in progress the Curling Official may want to talk to a minor athlete about their position on the ice while the opposition is in the process of delivery.
- **Resolution:** As this is a public environment, this is acceptable.

- **Situation:** After the game the Curling Official may want to congratulate the team on their accomplishment of winning the Gold Medal game in the viewing area.
- **Resolution:** As this is a public environment, this is acceptable.

CRC (Criminal Record Check)

- As has become common practice with other sports, Curl BC again in collaboration with Via Sports is requesting that all officials have a CRC.
- Curl BC will provide a “code” to present to your local detachment for obtaining the CRC at no cost.
- For most of us, this is a pretty simple process and relatively painless.
- We want to encourage this practice (it is good for 5 years).
- [Criminal Record Check Information](#)

Rock Selection at a Combined Event

- At all provincials, a team can select a full set of rocks only.
- For combined events with teams of each gender playing at the same time, for example: U18, U21, Men's/Women's, Seniors Masters, BC Winter Games) the following procedure will apply:
 - In the odd years (2019 for example) the top team on the men's side (regardless of format) will have priority for selecting rocks.
 - In the even years (2020 for example) the top team on the women's side (regardless of format) will have priority for selecting rocks.

BC Officials

- The number of national and world assignments handed out to BC officials is a strong testament for our program. Congratulations to:
- **Club Championship:** Ted Anderson (Game Umpire)
- **Canada Cup:** Dianne Barker (Game Umpire)
- **Continental Cup:** Brad LaRoy (Chief Umpire)
- **National Juniors:** Patti Caldwell (Chief Umpire), Ted Anderson, Vonda Hofferd, Kathy MacKenzie, Sharon Morrison, Herb Wong (Game Umpires)
- **STOH:** Dianne Barker (Chief Umpire)
- **World Women's:** Dianne Barker (Chief Umpire), Patti Caldwell (Chief Timing Supervisor), Donna Butler, Brad LaRoy, Sharon Morrison (Game Umpires)
- **World Seniors:** Linda Kirton (Chief Umpire), Ted Anderson (Chief Timing Supervisor), Daryl Kirton, Vonda Hofferd, Herb Wong (Game Umpires)
- **World Mixed Doubles:** Patti Caldwell (Deputy Chief Timing Supervisor), Dianne Barker, Donna Butler (Game Umpires)
- **World Wheelchairs:** Linda Kirton (Chief Umpire), Daryl Kirton (Game Umpire)

BC Ice Technicians

- Also congratulations to Mike and Dave Merklinger for their assignments at Canadian Juniors, STOH, World Women's, World Senior's and World Mixed Doubles.