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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.