

Curl BC

Competitive Players' Townhall



Agenda

1. Overview of the long term curler development model and our competitive categories of events.
2. Key learning from Past 2 seasons.
3. Proposed changes for 2022-23 season.
4. Where do we go from here?

Overview of Section 1

1. Who we are—mission and values.
2. Long-Term Curler Development model summary.
3. 3 pathways and stages of LTCD model we support in our competitions.

Mission Statement

Curl BC is the provincial sport governing body responsible for the development, promotion and organization of curling in British Columbia. Curl BC is also responsible for the championship system that declares provincial representation at national events. In cooperation with its membership of 22,000, Curl BC provides service to both competitive and recreational curlers, including a variety of adaptive groups



Curl BC Values

-Family

-Excellence

-Commitment

-Integrity

-Respect

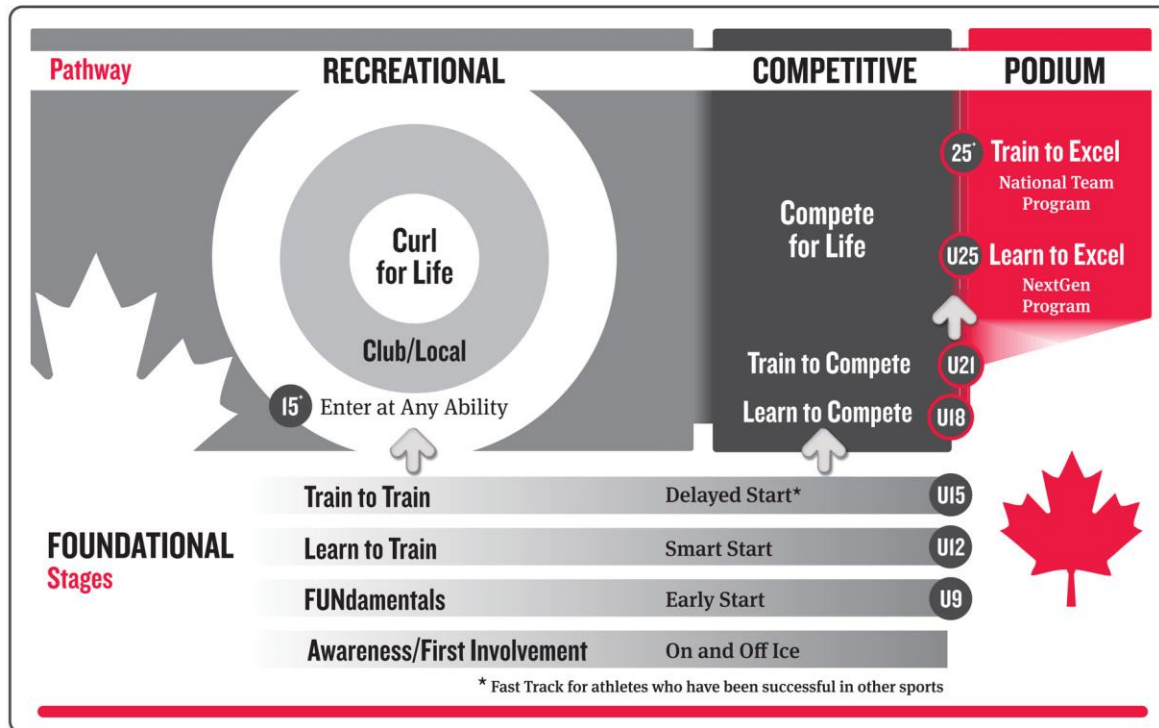
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Overview of Pillars and Stages of LTCD



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Long-Term Curler Development



Stages of the LTCD Curl BC's Competitive Pathway



Youth Pathway



Recreational and Competitive Pathway



Podium Pathway

Overview of Section 2

- Summary of learnings from survey questions.
- Rule change suggestions and ideas we've received during the season.
- Review general rules, category specific rules, competitors guide locations on Curl BC website.

Summary of Survey Results

- ▶ Timing of playoffs of championships with dual categories.
- ▶ Length of events and breaks between games.
- ▶ Requirement for teams to have matching jackets.
- ▶ Consistent deadlines, schedules, draws, rules.
- ▶ Travel costs deter entries.
- ▶ Distance to BC Championships deter entries.

Summary of Survey Results

- ▶ Avoid conflicts with other provincials and nationals.
- ▶ Open vs regional event qualification.
- ▶ Price of BC championship entry fees.
- ▶ Why competitors compete?
- ▶ Increasing the awareness of BC Championship opportunities.
- ▶ Registration deadlines.
- ▶ Illness policies, refund policies, etc.

Rules Change Suggestions

1. Club championship age requirement .
2. Technology in the field of play.
3. Last stone draw for hammer.
4. Sticks in Club and Masters categories.
5. Seeding at open BC championships.
6. Uniforms and cresting at events.

Locations of Key Information

<https://www.curlbc.ca/resources/rules/>

Overview of Section 3

Proposed Changes

1. **Competitive Categories**: Including Mixed Doubles, Wheelchair, Stick, Masters, Seniors, Mixed and Club Championship Categories.
2. **Youth Categories**: Including U15, BC Winter Games, U18 and U21 Categories.
3. **Podium Categories**: Including Women's and Men's Categories.
4. Proposed changes affecting **ALL** categories.

Proposed Changes to Competitive Championships

- Format

- Triple knockout preliminary round format for all championships regardless of field size.
- Playoff format to be based on the total number of entries.
- Eliminates tie-breaker games to be in alignment with Curling Canada events.
- Reduces costs for teams who are out of contention.
- Less time between games for teams during the preliminary round of events compared to pool play formats

- Team Ranking

- Ranking to be based on previous years results in the category the team is entered in.
- Only playoff teams from the previous season who maintain 3 of 4 players will be ranked.
- All other teams will be seeded into the preliminary round by a a double blind draw
- This is fair and will result in a quicker turn around on draw production.

Proposed Changes to Youth Championships

- U15/BC Winter Games

- To be run in 2023 in Vernon BC in February.
- 8 Zone qualifiers to take place in January.
- Continue with increased coach interactions in the 2nd and the 6th ends of the game .
- Mixed Doubles competition for teams not advancing to playoffs.
- Rockslide Rumbles.
- BC Winter Games preparation events.

- U18/U21

- Triple knockout preliminary Round.
- Playoff format to be based on the total number of entries (semi/final, page, modified page, double knockout to page are the playoff options based on field size.
- Eliminates tie-breaker games to be in alignment with Curling Canada events.
- Consolation round for each boys and girls team not advancing to playoffs.

Proposed Changes to Podium Stage Championships

Women's Format

- 8 teams.
- Triple knockout preliminary round.
- 1A, 1B, 2C qualifiers.
- Page playoff format.

1. Qualification and Seeding Process

2. Defending champion
3. #1 CTRS points leader
4. #2 CTRS points leader
5. #1 BCCT points leader
6. #2 BCCT points leader
7. Roam Berth BCCT event winner
8. A Event Open Qualifier
9. B Event Open Qualifier

Men's Format

- 12 teams.
- Triple knockout preliminary round.
- 1A, 1B, 2C qualifiers.
- Page playoff format.

Qualification and Seeding Process

1. Defending champion
2. #1 CTRS points leader
3. #2 CTRS points leader
4. #3 CTRS points leader
5. #1 BCCT points leader
6. #2 BCCT points leader
7. #3 BCCT points leader
8. Roaming Berth BCCT event winner #1
9. Roaming Berth BCCT event winner #2
10. A Event Open Qualifier
11. B Event Open Qualifier
12. C Event Open Qualifier

Proposed Changes to all Championships

Change 1

- Last stone draw will mimic what is done at the next level of play for 2023.

Change 2

- No longer offering prize money to 1st, 2nd, 3rd,
- Redistribute money into the quality of the event for things like ice conditions, etc.
- Each BC championship team will now receive \$500.00 toward the national championship expenses in addition to many other benefits depending on which event you are successful in.

Change 3

- Evening practice is allowed for all teams in all championships.
- Practices for playoff teams will be pre-set in the event schedule

Change 4

- Policy, general rules, category specific rules, competitor guide, team briefing and chief umpire manual to be merged into one product that can be accessed at one link on the Curl BC Website.

Overview of Section 4

- Youth Advisory Committee Information
- Respond to questions from the Q and A
- Competitions timelines
- Opportunities to provide additional feedback

Youth Advisory Committee

- ▶ -The Curl BC Youth Advisory Council (YAC) is a group of empowered youth who use their lived curling experience within the sport sector to improve the quality of Curl BC programs that are targeted at youth development

-The Council will be made up of 8 members from across the province between the ages of 17 to 29 who are Curl BC members in good standing.



- ▶ -YAC provide recommendations about services, programs and policies that affect the long term curler development model as it is related to youth in BC. Members consult with the operational staff and competitions committee with a goal of providing guidance and recommendations to them.
- ▶ YAC members sign a 1-year term and have the option to continue with the council for three years.
- ▶ 8 positions are OPEN for the 2022-23 season. Applications should be submitted no later than June 30th, 2022 via the online form submission that will be open on June 7th, 2022.

QUESTIONS

From the Q and A



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Next Steps Timeline



**Review
Feedback
Develop
Proposed
2023
Rules**



**Update Policy, Guides
and Manuals**



**Announce locations
of 2023 BC's and
Open Registration**



**Present Dates of 2024
BC Championships**



**Rreceive bids to
host 2024
Championships**



THANKS!



Do you have any additional feedback?

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