

APPENDIX:

Men's - Alberta Boston Pizza Cup, presented by Best Western

Women's - Jiffy Lube Alberta Scotties Tournament of Hearts

See below for competition specific details. The rules and details contained in the main body of the Competitor's Guide apply to these competitions. In the event there is a perceived conflict between the Competitor's Guide and this Appendix, this Appendix is considered to take priority.

An **eligibility change**, effective 2018/2019, applies to competitors with a **potential date conflict**.

See the main body of this guide for complete detail; the changes relevant to the men's and women's categories are summarized below:

- Teams competing in a Curling Alberta Provincial Qualifier or Provincial Championship do so with the knowledge that they must continue to play at all levels, up to and including Provincial Championships, until they are eliminated. Teams will not be given the opportunity to replace team members unless it is due to any of the circumstances listed in section 13(a) of the Competitor's Guide.
- In effect, this means a competitor may enter the men's or women's competition and another category (e.g. Mixed Doubles, Mixed, Seniors, etc.) as long as there is no date conflict up to and including the Provincial Championship.
- Teams which may become eligible for a pre-qualifying berth on/about December 1st must still enter by deadline in the event they are not awarded the pre-qualifying berth.

Non-resident "free agents" and/or 5th players are permitted in Curling Alberta men's/women's competitions. Relevant rules and procedures are described in the Competitor's Guide and must follow Curling Canada guidelines at <https://s17962.pcdn.co/wp-content/blogs.dir/58/files/2018/05/residency-policyfinal-Sept2017.pdf>. Note deadlines for applications. Free agents must also be a member of a Curling Alberta affiliated club.

In summary, twelve provincial berths are awarded in total, per category (i.e.- men's and women's).

- Four of these berths are awarded through the pre-qualifying policy (i.e.- In order: defending champion, CTRS, and two Alberta Tour berths). A team accepting a pre-qualifying berth is ineligible to compete in a Provincial Qualifier. See Curling Alberta Provincial Berth Policy for details.
- Eight additional berths into the Provincial Championships are awarded in total, per category, all through the Provincial Qualifiers.

A. PROVINCIAL QUALIFIERS:

1. For Provincial Qualifiers, the details and format are as described in section 1 of the Curling Alberta Provincial Berth Policy.
2. All playdown games are 10 ends.

B. PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP:

1. The format for the Provincial Championship will be a twelve-team triple knockout with a four-team page playoff. The final draw and schedule will be pre-approved by Curling Alberta.
2. All games are 10 ends and are timed.
3. PLAYOFFS - Page Playoff format shall be as follows:
 - a. The two C Event qualifiers will playoff in game CH #1. The winner advances to the semi-final (CH#3); the loser is eliminated.
 - b. The A and B Event qualifiers will playoff in game CH#2. The winner advances to the championship final (CH#4); the loser drops to the semi-final (CH#3).
 - c. The winners of game CH#2 and semi-final game CH#3 will playoff in the final (CH#4) to determine a champion.

Note: If hammer is predetermined, the team with hammer will have first practice.

- d. In the CH #1 game, teams will draw for hammer and use the usual pre-game practice as above.
- e. In the CH #2 game the team qualifying as "Q1" will have both hammer and choice of stone color.
- f. In the CH #3 game the team losing CH #2 will have the both hammer and choice of stone color.
- g. In the CH #4 game:
 - i. If the team qualifying as "Q1" wins game CH #2, they will have both hammer and choice of stone color.
 - ii. If the team qualifying as "Q2" wins game CH #2 and plays the team "Q1", then "Q2" qualifier will have choice of hammer or stone color
- h. For games CH #1 and CH #2 teams must use the stones from the assigned sheets.
- i. For games CH #3 and CH #4 teams will be allowed to use stones from any sheet – handles will not be changed.

- j. The team qualifying as "Q1" will be given the opportunity to practice for 30 minutes immediately following the 9:00 am draw on Friday on Sheet "B" and following the Friday 6:30 pm draw on Sheet "A". These are 'get loose' sessions and are not for stone selection.
- k. The team qualifying as "Q1" will be allowed a 45 minute practice at 10:00 am on Saturday morning on Sheet "A" for stone selection. That team will be allowed to use any stones from any sheet during this practice session. After this practice the "Q1" qualifier will indicate to the Chief Umpire their choice of stone color for the CH #2 game.
- l. The team qualifying as "Q2" will be allowed a 45 minute practice at 11:00 am on Saturday morning on Sheet "A" for stone selection. Team will be allowed to use any stones from any sheet during this practice session.
- m. The team winning the CH # 2 game will be allowed to practice for 20 minutes immediately following the Sunday semi-final on sheet "A".
- n. The two final teams in the CH # 4 championship game will make their selection of stones for game immediately after the Sunday semi-final game. Teams will be given 15 minutes to make their selections.

C. PLAYOFF MEETING:

1. Immediately following the Saturday 6:30 pm draw a meeting will occur between the Chief Umpire and the three skips from the remaining playoff teams.
2. It is mandatory that a designated member of each team be present for this meeting.
3. At this meeting, the loser of CH # 2 game will provide the Chief Umpire with their choice of stone color for CH # 3 game.
4. The winner of CH # 1 game will be advised by the Chief Umpire the stone color their team will be throwing for CH # 3.
5. The loser of CH # 2 game and the winner of CH # 1 game must provide their stone selection to the Chief Umpire no later than 90 minutes prior to the start of CH # 3 game.
6. If either team stone selection is not provided to the Chief Umpire 90 minutes prior to the start of the CH # 3 game, they will be assigned the stones from the game sheet, Sheet C only.

Alternate Player Selection – REVISED by Curling Canada, effective January 1, 2018

D. TEAM FUNDING POLICY: TOURNAMENT OF HEARTS AND BRIER

1. Curling Canada team funding for the Tournament of Hearts and Brier will include four (4) players and one (1) coach only.
2. Teams will be allowed to bring one (1) alternate player with them but at their own team's expense including on-ice clothing. Alternates cannot be a Free Agent if the team already has a Free Agent in the line-up.
3. The alternate must meet the eligibility requirements of the Member Association they represent. An alternate for Team Canada must be a resident of the Member Association they represent. For example, Alberta wins the Brier. Next year as Team Canada, their alternate (their choice) must meet Curling Alberta's eligibility (unless they are a free agent with no other free agent on the team). Teams may play with three (3) players at any time, even with an alternate on the team. If a team loses more than two (2) players, they will default until they can field at least three (3) players.
4. A team of four (4) players losing a player to catastrophic reasons will be allowed to replace that player with an eligible alternate player at the discretion of Curling Canada. Catastrophic is defined as unable to play for the remainder of the event due to physical injury as determined by a third-party physician.
5. Alternate Player Pools in all other Curling Canada events are no longer offered. Exception: the Canadian Mixed.