

APPENDIX:

Masters (Men's and Women's)

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

This appendix is subject to further review and evaluation on, at minimum, an annual basis.

Teams competing in a Curling Alberta Provincial Qualifier do so with the knowledge that they must continue to play at all levels, up to and including the Provincial Championships, until they are eliminated.

In effect, this means a competitor may enter the Masters category and another category (e.g. Seniors if eligible and/or Women's/Men's) as long as there is no date conflict up to and including the Provincial Championship.

The draw and schedule for the Provincial Qualifiers and Provincial Championships will be supplied to all teams and posted on the Curling Alberta Website. Reference the Draw Policy on the Curling Alberta Website for details on the draw making procedure and seeding process.

A. PROVINCIAL QUALIFIERS

1. The details and format are as described in section 1 of the Curling Alberta Provincial Berth Policy, with the possible exception of the Women's category as described below.
2. In the Masters Women's category, Provincial Qualifier will only occur if there are more than eight teams in total registered at deadline. If eight or less teams are registered at deadline, all teams will proceed directly to the Provincial Championship.
3. In the Masters Men's category, eight provincial berths are awarded in total, all through results at the Provincial Qualifiers. There are no pre-qualifying berths in the Masters category.
4. All games are 8 ends and are not timed, however, teams are still expected to maintain a reasonable pace of play as managed by the Chief Umpire.
5. There are no "free agents" in any Curling Alberta Masters competition.

B. PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP

1. The format is an eight-team full round-robin with “top 3” playoffs.
2. All games are 8 ends and are not timed, however, teams are still expected to maintain a reasonable pace of play as managed by the Chief Umpire.
3. Each team has two (2) time outs per 8 end game; 90 seconds with travel time – Chief Umpire will advise.
4. A delivery stick may be used.
5. PLAYOFFS:
 - i. After the round-robin, the **first place** team will advance to the finals.
 - ii. The second and third place teams will play in a semi-final with the winner advancing to the finals (see Playoffs section 2(C)(5) in the Competitors' Guide for complete details, including the procedure in the event of a tie for a playoff position).
6. For playoff stone selections, Women choose from sheets A-D; Men from sheets E-H.