

Ice Curling

1. Age Categories:

- (a) Men and Women 55 years of age and over.
- (b) Men and Women 65 years of age and over.
- (c) Women 55 years of age and over.
- (d) Men 55 years of age and over.

Note: Older players can play in the younger age category to have a team; however, if a Zone enters two teams, in the spirit of the Games, an older player shouldn't replace an eligible, younger player.

2. Events:

- (a) Men and Women 55 years and over (two women and two men on each team).
- (b) Men and Women 65 years and over (two women and two men on each team).
- (c) Women 55 years of age and over.
- (d) Men 55 years of age and over.

3. Participation:

- (a) One team per event per Zone.
- (b) The Skip or Vice-Skip shall determine the position to be played by the substitute. The Host Community shall provide a pool of substitutes.
- (c) Men and women must play alternate positions.
- (d) Mens and Ladies teams can consist of 4 or 5 players

4. Competition:

- (a) Canadian Curling Association Rules shall apply.
- (b) All Games, including the Finals, shall be eight ends.
- (c) All teams will play four (4) games in a modified Round Robin format.
- (d) Age groups of 10 teams or more will be divided into two divisions. All other groups will play in a single division. Draw Master is to ensure that no team plays the same team twice when there are 5-9 teams competing in the age division. If there are less than five (5) teams, then teams would have to play two or more games against each other.
- (e) If there are an uneven number of teams, the Host Community shall provide a team. This team shall be selected from the teams that unsuccessfully attempted to qualify in the Host Zone (offer to 2nd place team and on downwards). If there were no runner-up teams, then a team shall be assembled from members from the Host Zone. The Host Community team will not be eligible for medals.
- (f) The draws shall be prepared by the Host Chair. Each team will play a maximum of two games per day. Each team will have ten minutes to practice before each draw.
- (g) In the event of a tie, an extra end shall be played.

- (h) Medal Draws will be played on Saturday at 1:00 p.m., or at 8:30 a.m. if there are no Saturday morning draws.
- (i) The winner of the coin toss has the choice of colour or last rock. If the winner chooses the last rock, the loser chooses the colour.

5. Placement:

If a group is divided into two divisions, then the top team in each division shall play off for the Gold and Silver medals and the two second place teams will play for the Bronze medals. If one division is used, then the first and second place teams will play off for the Gold and Silver medals and the third and fourth place teams will play off for the Bronze medals.

Number of Wins:

If ties occur in deciding placement they will be broken by using:

- (1) Result of game(s) between the two teams, winner taking higher position.
- (2) If still tied, then team taking the most ends in the four games takes higher position.
- (3) If still tied, then team scoring the highest total point difference in the games takes the higher position.
- (4) If a tie still exists then one member from each team will throw one stone and closest to the button wins. A broom holder and two sweepers will be allowed.
- (5) Where a team concedes before the 8th and final end, the winning team shall be credited for each end not played and will be credited one scoring point for each end not played.

6. Medals:

Gold, Silver and Bronze will be awarded in each event.

7. Zone Playoffs:

- (a) Zones may determine the format for playoffs as determined by the availability of ice time.
- (b) Playoffs should be arranged while ice is still generally available in the Zone.