



Women's Playdown Rules

ELIGIBILITY

Affiliation

- All participants must be player members of CURLSASK. Player Members are defined as persons who are members of CURLSASK Affiliate Member Curling Clubs.
- All participants must adhere to the CURLSASK Residency Policy and be Canadian Citizens.

Age

- No minimum or maximum age restriction

Entry

- Each team must register its four players prior to the commencement of play.
- At the time of entry, the team must declare which one curling club they shall be representing for this competition.
- If a team has a coach at the Last Chance/Provincials, he/she must be Competition Coach Certified or Competition-Development Trained. At Nationals he/she must be Competition-Development Certified in the sport of curling to be recognized. All coaches must complete the Respect in Sport on-line training program prior to being granted coaching status.

Registration Fees

- The CURLSASK registration fee plus the Curling Canada Participant Fee are payable at the time of entry.

Deadlines

- Deadline for entering playdowns is December 6, 2021 @ 12 pm.

ALTERNATE PLAYER

- A team with an alternate player is ineligible to have a substitute player in the event.

SUBSTITUTE (Please refer to General Rules of Competition #14 for general substitution rules)

Specific substitution rules for this competition are:

- For CTRS events you must follow CTRS rules regarding subs (must have 3 of 4 players) see <https://www.curling.ca/team-canada/canadian-team-ranking-system/canadian-team-ranking-system-ctrs-2018-2022/>
- For CTRS lineup to be eligible you must meet the following: Only one free agent (out of province) player, all other members must be birthright or resident as defined by Curling Canada
- For the Last Chance Event, a substitute may come from anywhere in the province but may not be a registered member of a team in the playdown competition.
- For Provincials, a substitute may come from anywhere in the province, not be a registered member of a team competing in the provincial event but could be from a registered team who has been previously eliminated from the playdown competition.

PLAYDOWN PROCEDURES

- The Provincial will be a twelve (12) team event with teams qualifying as follows:
 - Four (4) merit-based berths from the top-four point total on Saskatchewan CTRS events (SaskCTRS).
 - Four (4) merit-based berths from the top-four point total of all CTRS events (CTRS – including Saskatchewan events).
 - Four (4) qualifiers from the Last Chance Event Dec 16-19, 2021
- At the Provincial Championship a twelve (12) team triple knockout format will be used. One (1) team will qualify each from the “A” and “B” events, and two (2) teams from the “C” event. These teams will play in a page playoff to determine the Provincial Champion.

CTRS (Canadian Team Ranking System) and SaskCTRS Berths

- Teams can earn CTRS points by first registering with Curling Canada. To collect points, any 3 of the 4 players registered with Curling Canada must be on the ice for the points to be valid. Only events approved by Curling Canada are eligible to offer CTRS points. For more information on how points are calculated, eligible events, standings and to register to earn CTRS points, please go to www.curling.ca - the cut-off date for women collecting points towards Merit-Based Berths is December 6, 2021.
- On Dec 6, 2021 the four highest ranked registered Saskatchewan Teams based on Saskatchewan CTRS events (SaskCTRS) will earn the first berths to the Provincial.
- On Dec 6, 2021 the four highest ranked registered Saskatchewan Teams (not already qualified previously) based on all CTRS events will earn berths to the Provincial.
- In the event of a tie for the final qualifying berth, the Tiebreaker Criteria will be as follows:
 1. Number of 1st place finishes
 2. Number of 2nd place finishes
 3. Number of 3rd/4th place finishes
 4. Number of 5th to 8th place finishes
 5. Head to head record in CTRS events.

6. Sudden death playoff among tied teams. Date and location determined by CURLSASK.

TEAMS WILL BE ABLE TO VIE FOR CTRS AND SaskCTRS BERTHS IF THEY MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- All participants must be affiliated members of CURLSASK. Team rosters need to be declared through CURLSASK on-line registration.
- Competition Fee, including the Curling Canada Fee, must be paid to the CURLSASK Office or through on-line registration, by December 6, 2021 @ 12pm.
- Teams wanting to earn points via CTRS must also register on-line with Curling Canada at curling.ca.
- Teams wishing to earn points through the CTRS or SaskCTRS Berths must meet all CTRS rules and regulations. In the event only three of four registered team members compete, the substitute for the bonspiel must:
 1. Play the position of the indisposed player or lower.
 2. Not have competed in the same event with another team
 3. Lineup must be eligible - only one free agent (out of province) player, all other members must be birthright or resident as defined by Curling Canada
- Calculation of SaskCTRS points will be completed by the Sask Curling Tour Committees, and will be posted on <https://saskcurlingtour.ca/> - any discrepancies should be brought to the Tour Committees.
- Calculation of CTRS Points is completed by Curling Canada and will be posted on Curling Canada's website <https://www.curling.ca/team-canada/canadian-team-ranking-system/> . Any discrepancies should be brought to Curling Canada's and CURLSASK's attention.

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- The Last Chance Qualifier will qualify four (4) teams to the provincial.
- Registration will be through the CURLSASK on-line registration system. Teams are required to pay the CURLSASK Competition Registration Fee and Curling Canada Fees.
- Registration Deadline for the Last Chance Event is December 6, 2021 @ 12:00 p.m. (noon).
- Teams who may require a substitution for the Last Chance Event must adhere to the CURLSASK Substitute Rules in the General Rules of Competition #14. The substitute must be a member of CURLSASK.

MISCELLANEOUS

- In the event of any challenge or dispute related to rulings or awarded points, it is understood that the decision of the CURLSASK Competition Committee is final.
- Should a team qualify for a berth through the CTRS and SaskCTRS, the SaskCTRS would take precedence.
- In the event a registered player(s) is/are replaced throughout the curling season, that replaced player(s) may apply to CURLSASK for reinstatement of eligibility in order to

re-enter other Provincial berth events with another team. Application must be made in writing (e-mail is sufficient) to CURLSASK Umpire Advisory Council at least 3 days prior to wanting to compete with any other team in a provincial berth event. A player may only request to be reinstated once for the Women's Playdown Process.