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## **Mixed Doubles Curling**

The directors of BCSS have recently given their approval for the incorporation of mixed doubles curling as a demonstration event, to be conducted alongside the conventional curling provincial championship. The viability of the mixed doubles event will be assessed at the conclusion of the winter season, and there is a possibility of extending it for an additional year before seeking further guidance from the legislative assembly.

## **Athlete Eligibility and Registration**

- All athletes must be from the same school.
- Athletes are required to be registered on the school's STARS roster.
- Athletes are not permitted to participate on both the school's 'traditional' fours curling team and the school's mixed doubles team.
- A mixed doubles team must consist of one female and one male athlete.
- Joint team applications from two schools to form a mixed doubles team will not be accepted.
- Alternates (fifths) on a traditional team are ineligible to participate on the mixed doubles team.

## Registration

- Schools seeking participation in the mixed doubles provincials must submit an application. Application forms will be available by January 9, 2024.
- Only applications received by January 19th, 2024, will be reviewed.
- The announcement of the final team placements for the tournament will be made by February 2, 2024.
- In cases where a zone has multiple schools interested in sending a team to the mixed doubles Provincials, the zone must establish a selection mechanism for its representative.
- Each zone may send one team to the mixed doubles provincials.
- The host school will receive an automatic berth into the mixed doubles provincials.

## **Tournament Rules**

- A team is composed of two players.
- The scoring is the same as in a regular game of curling.
- Games are scheduled for six (6) ends.
- Each team delivers five (5) stones per end. The player delivering the team's first stone of the end must also deliver the team's last stone of that end. The other team member delivers the team's second, third and fourth stones for that end.
- The player delivering the first stone can change from end to end.
- A list of the complete tournament rules can be found in the attached file.

