

OPEN MIXED CURLING LEAGUE PLAYOFFS RULES - 2025

**** Please be advised that some changes have been made to the rules in order to reflect the Open format of the league and to make obtaining spares easier.**

General Information:

- Open Mixed Coordinator or a convenor will be at the Club to ensure scores are accurately recorded and appropriate game times assigned.
- All original team members must be members of the Open Mixed Curling League
- There will be 32 teams that qualify for the playoffs, with each draw supplying eight (8) teams
The top eight (8) skips and vices and the top eight (8) leads and seconds from each draw will be matched into the playoff teams.
- Teams may be made complete by players from other nights. Such players must be assigned by the league director.
- If there are individuals (or pairs) who have won the right to a playoff spot but DO NOT wish to play in the playoffs -- then the next eligible player or pair from their draw will take the spot.
- This means the teams from each draw are drawn up as a full 8 teams -- then, if someone has to miss a game or if something happens that they cannot continue - they will use the spare list.

Requirements of Play:

- A team must have **three (3)** players to start a playoff game.
One regular member of the team must be present to qualify as a team
- If during a game a player is unable to continue for an unavoidable reason the team stones will be delivered in a three, three, two order.
Alternatively, an eligible spare, as specified by the attending draw committee representative, will step in immediately for the balance of the game and be considered a regular team member for that game.
- No regular team player may be moved to a lower position to accommodate a spare - positions are considered Lead/Second (Front Ends) or Vice/Skip (Back Ends)
- All playoff games will be eight (8) ends, with a tie requiring a full end to be played towards the glass.

Spares in Playoffs:

- All spares must be members of Chinguacousy Curling Club and **every effort** should be made to find a player that plays in the similar position (Front or Back end).
- The official spare list must be first exhausted before seeking spares outside of the Open Mixed League. **New in 2025: Social members may act as spares.**

- Spares from the Open Mixed league are eligible to curl for any team or, if approved by the League Director, be declared a regular team member (as opposed to a spare).
- Once a spare is declared a regular team member, he/she will no longer be eligible as a spare for other teams.
- Problems obtaining enough players **(3)** should be reported to the League Director 24 hours before the game in question. The League Director can approve spares if necessary or declare a forfeit.
- Players who have been eliminated from the playoffs will be added to the official spare list and can be used for the remainder of the playoffs.

Protests

- If a team feels it has grounds to protest a playoff game, such protest must be made to the League Director not later than 48 hours after the game in question and at least 6 hours prior to the next scheduled playoff game.
- Any inquiries or questions arising from the playoffs should be brought to the immediate attention of your draw coordinator and/or to the League Director
- Let's have a fun filled set of playoff games -- but do not hesitate to contact your coordinator or League Executive with any questions you might have.

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