Men's & Women's Under 22- World Qualifier Provincial (2021 ONLY – One time Event)

<u>I – GENERAL</u>

The Men's & Women's Under 22 World Qualifier Provincial is a ONE time only event due to the impact of COVID and the inability to declare a 2021 Canadian Men and Women's Junior Champion. This Provincial is open to any curler in NS who meets the eligibility criteria for the Canadian Championship and the Residency Directive. The winning teams (Men and Women) must be committed to representing Nova Scotia at the 2021 Under 21 World Qualifier, November 22-27, 2021 in Saskatoon, SK (Granite Curling Club). Winners will not be eligible for Curling Canada financial (travel and accommodation) support for this event. The winners of the Canadian will have the opportunity to train with National Coaches during the Continental Cup January 20-27, 2022 in Fredericton, NB and will represent Canada at the World Junior Curling Championships March 5-12, 2022 in Jonkoping, Sweden (a six sheet curling club).

II - ELIGIBILITY

- Teams must be composed of players from any NSCA Member Club
- To be eligible for the U22 World Qualifier Canadian, players must be twenty (20) years of age or under as of June 30, 2021.
- Teams may consist of a maximum of <u>five (5)</u> players plus <u>one (1)</u> coach. Refer to Section 2 NSCA Special Rules for further information.

III - FORMAT OF PLAY

The format of play for the Provincial will be based on the number of teams that enter the U22 World Qualifier Provincial. This event will be an Open format with no qualifier.

All games at all levels of the Championship shall be:

- Ten (10) ends duration. If a game is tied after the allotted ten ends, the teams shall play extra ends until a winner is declared.
- Officiated and timed
- NSCA rocks will NOT be used

IV - RANKING / SEEDING

Provincial – Teams will be placed into the official Draw by a self-seeding process.

V – PRE-GAME BRIEFING

At all stages of this championship a "coin toss" will be used to determine:

- Stone handle colour. The team choosing the dark coloured handle (blue/red) will throw a clockwise draw for their last stone draw. The team throwing yellow handle will throw the counter-clockwise.
- Pre-game practice order
- A draw to the button competition will be used to determine last stone advantage in the first end.

VI – DRAW TO THE BUTTON

In preparation for the National Championship with tiebreakers, each team will deliver one (1) draw to the button to determine hammer in the first end.

Provincial – If number of games played during Provincial Championship for the Junior Provincial allows, each player on each team will deliver a minimum of one (1) draw shot for last stone advantage before delivering their second draw shot.

Interpretation: At any stage of the Championship, a player cannot deliver a second draw shot for last stone advantage until all the other members of the team have delivered one (1) last draw shot.

VII - COACHES

- Each team must be accompanied by a coach in accordance with the Coach Eligibility Chart
 - o The minimum standard for this event is shown in Table Z (Section 5).
 - All coaches must have a current Criminal Record Check, a current Child Abuse Registry Check, Making Ethical Decisions Certification (the Locker), Safe Sport Training (the Locker) and be Competition Coach Certified (RENEWED).

VIII - OTHER

- All teams (3 of 4 members) and coach must attend the Opening Ceremonies and the Official Reception/Banquet at the Provincial Final (if held).
- Junior Fair Play Time Out is in affect at all stages of the Championship.
- All athletes under the age of 12 years old must wear a helmet while on ice during this event.