

## **CANADA WINTER GAMES MIXED DOUBLES TRIAL**

### **1) GENERAL**

The Canada Winter Games Mixed Doubles Trials will be open to any Nova Scotia curler who meets the eligibility requirements for the Canada Winter Games and the Residency Directive.

### **2) ELIGIBILITY**

- Teams must be composed of players from any NSCA Member Club
- To be eligible for the Canada Winter Games Mixed Doubles, players must be a maximum of nineteen (19) years of age as of dates shown in Table X (Section 5).
- Teams may consist of a maximum of two (2) players plus one (1) coach. There is no alternate allowed. Refer to Section 2 NSCA Special Rules for further information.
- The winning athletes of the Men's Canada Winter Games four-person team will not be eligible due to overlapping schedules. A female athlete **may** compete in both the four-person, and mixed doubles events if she is eligible for both.

### **3) FORMAT OF PLAY**

The format of play for the Trials shall be modified triple knockout qualifying three (3) teams for the Modified Playoffs. All games at all levels of the Championship shall be:

- Eight (8) ends duration. If a game is tied after the allotted eight ends, the teams shall play extra ends until a winner is declared.
- Officiated
- Not Timed

### **4) RANKING / SEEDING**

**Trials** – Teams will be seeded for this event by a random draw.

### **5) PRE-GAME BRIEFING**

- At all stages of this championship a “coin toss” will be used to determine:
- Pre-game practice order Stone handle colour, or practice order 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- A draw to the button competition will be used to determine last stone advantage in the first end.
- DRAW TO THE BUTTON
- **“Pre-Game Practice and Last Stone Draw (LSD) Protocols for 2022 – 2023” will be used for this event.**
- Each player delivers an equal number of clockwise and counterclockwise LSD stones. If there are an odd number of games a variation of one rotation per player must occur.

## 6) **COACHES**

- Each team must be accompanied by a coach in accordance with the Coach Eligibility Chart
- The minimum standard for this event is shown in Table Z (Section 5).

Coaches must also:

- Be at least 21 years of age;
- Have a current Criminal Records Check on file with Nova Scotia Curling Association;
- Have a Child Abuse Registry Check on file with Nova Scotia Curling Association.
- Coaches must be Competition Coach Certified to coach a team at the CWG Mixed Doubles or Trials events.
- As a one time concession to help promote team registrations, coaches DO NOT have to have completed the NCCP certification for this provincial event.
- In the event that the winning team's coach has not completed the NCCP requirements for the Canada Winter Games, the NSCA will assign a certified coach to work with the team to prepare for the CWG as well as accompany the team to the event.

## 7) **OTHER**

- The Canada Winter Games Trials will have a pre-competition practice session prior to the start of competition, where each team will be given ten (10) minutes one each sheet.
- All teams (2 members) and coach must attend the Opening Ceremonies and the Official Reception/Banquet at the Trials if held.
- The NSCA curling stones will not be used for the CWG Trials.
- Junior Fair Play Time Out is in affect at all stages of the Trials
- The NSCA's "**Coach Interaction Rules**" will be in effect for 2022-23.
- All athletes under the age of 12 years old must wear a helmet while on ice during this event.

## 8) **CANCELLATION**

- In the event of a Force Majeure and the provincial championship is not able to be held, all entry fees will be refunded. Team selection will be based on the JTRS. In the case of a tie, the final decision will be made by the competitions committee.