2026-27 Curling Club Championships
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Curling Canada--Purpose of the Curling Club Championship:
The Curling Club Championships have been designed for curling club teams consisting of curling club members, who support curling club leagues, at the same curling club.

This championship is an opportunity for those curlers that support curling clubs and mostly do not have the time or resources to chase the dream of representing Canada at a World Championship or Olympic Games but still enjoy competitive play and representing their Province or Territory at a Championship.

Curling Canada reserves the right to exclude any team that violates the spirit and intent of the event as it pertains to the rules attached.

Minimum Requirements for Team Composition:

1. All team members must be members in good standing of the **same curling club**, which must be a member in good standing with Curling NB.

2. All team players must be members in good standing of their affiliated curling club and must play regularly in at least one league at their affiliated club. Players will NOT be required to have played on the same club league team.

3. Any player can be a member of more than one Curling NB Affiliated Club but must declare only one "home club" for the purpose of Curling Club Championship playdowns.

4. A team must register for each stage of the competition with a minimum of 4 and maximum of 5 players. Teams must always keep a minimum of three (3) players from the original team.

5. It is the responsibility of the designated curling club to provide an accurate verification that all players are members-in-good-standing and meet all Curling Club Championship eligibility requirements.

6. Each four-person team must consist of players who, during the previous season, did NOT participate in the Canadian Curling Club Championships;

AND

7. Each four-person team must consist of a minimum of three (3) players who during the previous three (3) seasons, did NOT participate in a Curling Canada national championship leading to a World Championship (U-20, Women's, Men's, Seniors), an Olympic qualifying event (Pre-Trials, Trials), or a Grand Slam of Curling event (Tier 1 or Tier 2).

8. Further to the above Curling Canada restrictions, the following additional restrictions will apply in NB:

   If team does not include a player from point 7, team will be allowed one (1) player who:

   a. Finished in the top 25% or better in the previous three seasons at any Curling NB event that leads to the following Canadian Championships:
   - Four (4) person U20's
   - University
   - College
   - Mixed Doubles
   - Mixed Doubles Olympic Trials
   - Seniors
   - Scotties
   - Brier

   (NOTE: If, depending on the number of participating teams, top 25% is not an exact number, number of teams that fall within will be determined as per the following examples: 25% of 5 teams is 1.25 teams which becomes top two (2) teams. 25% of 9 teams is 2.25 teams which becomes top three (3) teams. 25% of 13 teams is 3.25 teams which becomes top four (4) teams.**)**

Definition of the curling seasons as follows:

- Canadian Championship to be competed November 2027
- The events noted above include the previous three (3) seasons being 2025-26, 2024-25, 2023-24.
- Competitive seasons defined as August 1 to July 31

Additional Rules:

9. All four (4) competitors and any 5th or spare player must be bona fide residents within the geographical area of the Member Association they are intending to represent (unless

granted an exception by the Member Association) as defined by Curling Canada residency requirements.

10. A competitor can participate for only one affiliated curling club in one season. If you lose out while playing for one club, you cannot then play for another club unless the Member Association accepts the competitor as a 5th player or spare player.

11. Curling NB allows each club to submit registrations for up to two (2) teams for both the Men's and Women's divisions.

12. The use of the delivery stick by any competitor is acceptable.

13. Once a four-person team enters the club championships playdowns, a maximum of one (1) spare from the club is allowed at any level of competition. A team can use an eligible spare for any game played. A spare may be a different player each game.

14. A minimum of two (2) players must be a minimum of nineteen (19) years of age or over as of December 31st immediately prior to the national championships.

15. Players under the age of nineteen (19) shall be considered a "minor". They must be accompanied by a legal guardian (or a chaperone identified by the legal guardian) for the duration of the event including departure from home and return to their home. A legal guardian can be a parent on the team.

16. Curling Canada has the sole authority to grant exceptions to these rules in extraordinary circumstances. Any request must be submitted by the Provincial / Territorial Curling Association.

17. Curling Canada will consult with the Provincial / Territorial Member Association and will notify them within five (5) business days in writing of any decision. The Curling Canada decision may not be appealed.

For further rules if any, please consult your Provincial / Territorial Member Association.

Event funding for the 2027 Canadian Curling Club Championships:

As outlined within the Curling Canada policy found here. https://www.curling.ca/about-us/policies/