

SOSSA BOYS AND GIRLS CURLING

PLAYING REGULATIONS – revised January - 2018

Boys SOSSA Curling and Girls SOSSA Curling are convened by the same individual. Consequently, the two events are run at the same location, on the same day and in the same format.

1. Date

The SOSSA Curling Championships are run on a single day during the two weeks prior to the Ministry of Education March Break.

2. Location

The location of the Championships should be determined by the start of the second semester. Determining the location earlier is helpful but, not always possible.

3. Eligibility

a) Team Eligibility - To represent a school in the SOSSA curling championships, a school/team must:

Conduct a 'bona fide' school curling program consisting of a minimum of eight (8) weekly practices/games, during the current school season [December – March] under the supervision of a teacher as certified by the school principal.

b) Student Eligibility

To represent a school a student must be eligible under the SOSSA and OFSAA Constitution. See Article VII and Article VIII of the SOSSA constitution.

4. Classification

There shall be a Boys' Championship and a Girls' Championship conducted as an Open classification.

5. Tournament Structure and Procedure

There will be four (4) teams participating in each competition. It will be a single knockout tournament.

The first game should not start before 10:00 a.m. This allows for travel time to the competition.

Games will consist of eight (8) ends, if still tied, an extra end will be played back towards the glass.

Team vices will flip a coin for choice of hammer/colour. Each team will have a seven minute warm-up with the team holding the hammer warming up first.

Each team will get two one minute time outs during the eight ends of play. Teams get an additional time out if an extra end is required. After the fourth end there is a five minute on ice break, where the coach can join the team.

C.C.A. rules should be followed during the bonspiel.

6. Entry

Each zone will send one representative to the competition. If one zone does not have a representative, then the convener may fill the position in consultation with the SOSSA Secretary/Treasurer.

7. Expenses

Expenses for SOSSA Curling Championships and OFSAA Curling entries are not covered by SOSSA.

An attempt should be made to obtain ice from a club that does not charge the schools. This, however, is not always possible.

An entry fee will be charged to cover any or all of the expenses.

The SOSSA convener shall be responsible to ensure that the OFSAA entries are submitted.

8. Rules and Officials

The rules of the Canadian Curling Association will govern play at the SOSSA Curling Championships.

9. Awards

SOSSA medallions will be awarded to the winning teams. Five medallions per team.

10. Deportment

A staff member from the school representing each team must be present and responsible for the behavior of his/her team members for the duration of the championship.

11. Medical

Qualified first aid personnel and equipment shall be available at the championship site. Note that curling is not classified as a "high risk" sport by OPHEA therefore, outside medical expertise is not covered by SOSSA.

Coaches shall provide all consumable medical supplies (ie. tape, band aids) for athletes.

12. Appeals and Protest

If a school(s) wishes to proceed with a protest, see Article #9 of the SOSSA Constitution.