

## **SHSAA Provincial Curling Championships: Tie-Break Procedure**

The SHSAA Executive Council has approved the use of the Skill Based Team Ranking System (SBTRS) for use in the tie-breaking procedure at the SHSAA Provincial Curling Championships.

The SBTRS will include the cumulative distance of all draw shots to the tee during the practice session. The SBTRS may be used to rank teams for the playoff round and any tiebreakers.

At the conclusion of each of the team's practice session, four different team members will deliver one stone to the tee toward the home end with brushing. The official will measure and record the distance from the pin. Stones that cannot be measured due to their close proximity to the pin shall be assigned a distance of '0'. Stones that are located outside the 6-foot perimeter shall be assigned a distance of 185.4cm.

If two or more teams have identical cumulative distances then one member of each team will deliver a stone to be measured in an attempt to break the tie. If needed, extra deliveries of stones will continue until the tie is broken with no team member delivering additional stones until all four members have delivered the same number of stones.

Coaches must remain off the ice surface and NO COACHING is allowed.

### **TIE BREAKING PROCEDURE**

If two teams are tied with identical records after pool play then the winner of the round robin game between the tied teams shall be placed higher in the order of finish and no other tie-breaking criteria is required.

If three teams are tied with identical records after pool play then the order of finish will be determined by the SBTRS. The team with the lesser cumulative distance shall be placed higher in the order of finish.

1. Three teams tied with records of 1 win - 2 losses
  - a. The team placed highest in the order of finish among the three tied teams will receive a bye to tie-breaker #2. The remaining two teams will play in tie-breaker #1 to determine the remaining team that will participate in tie-breaker #2. Tie-breaker #2 will determine the second place qualifier from the pool.
2. Three teams tied with records of 2 wins - 1 loss
  - a. The team placed higher in the order of finish shall be awarded first place in the pool standings while the remaining two teams will play in tie-breaker #1 to determine the second place qualifier from the pool.

## **SATURDAY SCHEDULE:**

Saturday schedule of games will be determined based on the need for tie-breaker games

- Two tie-breaker games required in a pool
  - 9:00am, 12:00pm, 4:00pm (semi finals), 7:00pm (medal games)
- One tie-breaker game required
  - 9:00am, 12:00pm (semi finals), 4:00pm (medal games)
- No tie-breaker games required
  - 12:00pm (semi finals), 3:00pm (medal games)

## **LAST ROCK ADVANTAGE:**

Last Rock Advantage is defined as having the choice of 'hammer' or the choice of rock color. The team not having last rock advantage will have the remaining option.

Last rock advantage will be determined as follows:

- Awarded to the team drawing closer to the button during their 8-minute warm-up period prior to the game. Practice time will be determined by a coin toss prior to the scheduled warm-up time.
- Championship round games - last rock advantage will be awarded to the teams finishing first in their pools.
  - If the two first place pool finishers play against each other in either the bronze or gold medal game then last rock advantage in both medal games will be determined by using the SBTRS with the lesser cumulative distance being awarded last rock advantage.
- Tie-breaker games - last rock advantage will be awarded to the higher finishing team as determined by the SBTRS.

## **REGIONAL CURLING DRAW:**

The regional championships will now only determine an 'A' and 'B' qualifier to the provincial championship. In 8 team regional playoffs there will not be a need for an A-B playoff. In 6 team regional playoffs, games 10 and 11 may or may not be required.

The only region that may require an 'A-B' playoff to complete the double knock-out competition will be the region with the provincial host. The 'A-B' playoff will only be contested if the provincial host has not won either the 'A' or 'B' event.

In regions where an 'A-B' playoff is not required the 'A' qualifier will be declared the Regional Champion.