



Australian Junior Curling Team

Guideline Booklet

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The Australian Curling Federation (ACF) has allocated a Junior Development Officer as a contact person to answer any questions the Australian team has regarding the team's role as a National Team.

This person will also be expected to pass on any relevant information obtaining to the team, to either the team's manager or the team's nominated contact person. This should assist the team with their preparations for the year.

Under no circumstance should any player or family member of a player contact the World Curling Federation (WCF) directly regarding arrangements for the team. If the Junior Development Officer cannot be contacted, then your State Representative on the ACF should be contacted.

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Team Expectations

As the current National Junior Curling team you are expected to attend the upcoming Pacific-Asia Junior Curling Championships (PAJCCs). ***Failure to attend the upcoming Pacific-Asia Junior Curling Championships (PAJCCs) will result in a fine of \$1,000 USD for each team that withdraws from the Championship after the commitment date for the PAJCC event from the WCF.***

Registration

There is a nomination date whereby the ACF will register the team for the PAJCCs. Once the team has been registered they are then expected to attend. Failure to do so will result in a penalty against the team and the eligibility of Australia to attend future Pacific-Asia Junior Curling Championships.

If the team decides not to attend the competition, then registration for the PAJCCs should not be submitted. Please let the Junior Development officer know within 2 weeks of the end of the National Bonspiel if the team does NOT wish to attend the PAJCCs.

The nominated Australian team should consist of at least 3 of the 5 nominated players of the original team. Two replacements are allowed under special circumstances and must be cleared by the Australian Curling Federation (ACF).

The team manager/coach/nominated parent is expected to make arrangements on behalf of the team. Assistance from the Junior Development Officer may be provided, especially with regards to dates, places and co-ordination.

World Junior B Curling Championships.

This competition will be held in the January of the following year from Nationals. This is the qualifier to the World Junior Curling Championships held at the beginning of March.

The competition is usually conducted over 10 days on dedicated curling ice. There are training times allocated on practice days. Teams are also required to attend scheduled Team meetings and Formal Dinner and Presentation nights during the competition.

The games are 10 ends in length (lasting approximately 2.5 hours) and are scheduled for play at least once a day.

Arrangements for the PAJCCs

Flights

The team's manager will supply the ACF with 2 quotes of flight details for this competition. The ACF will then advise the team's manager which flight will be acceptable after consulting with the WCF. Team players may have the same flights or are able to travel separately, however it would be best if the team travelled together.

The manager will ensure that all members of the team have correct and valid passports, visas and vaccinations for the relevant country, allowing for lengthy processing time frames.

Uniforms

The team will be expected to satisfy the WCF ruling on uniforms and will organise these as a team with the Development officer.

Both light and dark uniforms (shirts and jackets) are required and can be obtained from any store. Black curling pants are normally worn.

The player's names and the Australian Curling logo will be displayed on the back of the uniforms and in the appropriate size. Templates and exact standards will be supplied to the team by the Development officer.

The Australian crest, the competition name and date will be shown on the front. These can be embroidered onto the uniforms at any embroider shop and is the responsibility of the team manager to organise.

Equipment

The team must have adequate and appropriate equipment to attend the championships, including curling shoes and broom/crutch as high priority.

Transfers

The transportation from the Airport to the player's accommodation is usually supplied by the organising committee and may or may not be free of charge. The return transfer from the accommodation back to the Airport will be via a similar arrangement. The organising nation will supply these details to the ACF and the Secretary/ Treasurer in turn will supply the details to the team. Once flight details are confirmed the team's manager should forward these details onto the organising committee via the Secretary/Treasurer so that airport transfer arrangements can be finalised.

Accommodation

The team is expected to stay at a selected, subsidised hotel or similar accommodation of good standard, arranged by the organising committee. Once the accommodation is selected, details and booking arrangements will be forwarded onto the team's manager.

Meals are generally not included in the costs. Meal vouchers are sometimes offered and it is at the team's discretion whether to purchase them.

Curling Venue

The venue for the event is conducted in an appropriate curling facility. Entry into the competition and use for practice sessions is free of charge.

Coaches

The preferred team coach may be nominated by the team via the Junior Development Officer to the ACF for approval. If a coach has not been nominated within 8 weeks of team Australia being decided, the ACF may appoint a coach.

It is a requirement of the ACF that coaches meet the State and Federal guidelines in relation to travelling and working with children.

Managers/Chaperones

The preferred manager may be nominated by the team via the Junior Development Officer to the ACF for approval. If a manager and or chaperone have not been nominated within 8 weeks of team Australia being decided, the ACF may appoint a manager and or chaperone.

It is a requirement of the ACF that managers/chaperones meet the State and Federal guidelines in relation to travelling and working with children.

Copies of appropriate documentation evidencing the approvals are to be provided to the ACF.

Sponsorship

Australian Teams are encouraged to offset their own expenses by finding private sponsorship. All such sponsorship needs to be approved by the Australian Curling Federation. Where such sponsorship is in conflict with sponsorship agreements arranged by the Australian Curling Federation or the World Curling Federation, the ACF and WCF sponsors shall be given preference.

Training time

Teams will train and prepare appropriately for international competition at their own expense. Teams may request support from the ACF in whatever capacity the ACF is able to provide.

Support from the ACF may include informing teams about what competitions are being held around the world and which may be appropriate to send teams to compete in.

Drugs in the Sport

World Curling Federation and World Anti-Doping Agency Rules

All Players in teams entering the Australian National Championships should become familiar with the World Curling federation Anti-Doping Rules (<http://www.worldcurling.org/anti-doping-rules>), the Australian Curling Federation's anti-doping policy (<http://www.curling.org.au/acf-anti-doping-policy>), and the Australian Olympic Committee requirements (<http://corporate.olympics.com.au/athlete-hub/anti-doping>) and ensure that they understand the sanctions under these policies may include disqualification of the entire team.

All Athletes on National Teams will be added to the ASADA registered testing Pool for Curling in Australia. Athletes on National Teams are required to keep Australian Sports Anti-Doping

Authority (ASADA) informed of their whereabouts as per “athlete whereabouts requirements” specified by ASADA on their website (www.asada.gov.au). This form should be obtained by the Junior Development Officer and it is a requirement that parents/guardian of children under 18 in conjunction with the player sign the document.

It is a requirement that athletes on National Teams be familiar with the Anti-doping Rules listed on the ASADA website and also be familiar with the permitted and prohibited substances and therapeutic use of prohibited substances as defined by WADA and published on the ASADA website from time to time.

Strict adherence to the Anti-Doping Rules is mandatory.

Alcohol

There shall be no alcohol consumption by any players in the junior teams, even if you are of legal age.

This requirement will also extend to the Coach and Manager for the Junior Teams in that no alcohol consumption can be consumed by these people in the presence of members of the Junior Team.

Breaches of this rule will be dealt by and in consultation with the ACF Executive Committee or their appointed representative(s). Breaches of this rule may result in the following: forfeiting of WCF flight reimbursements or suspension from National and International competitions.

The Spirit of Curling

Curling has its rules governing play, but equally as important is the way you conduct yourself while curling including:

- I will play the game with a spirit of good sportsmanship.
- I will conduct myself in an honourable manner both on and off the ice.
- I will never knowingly break a rule, but if I do, I will divulge the breach.
- I will take no action that could be interpreted as an attempt to intimidate or demean my opponents, teammates or officials.
- I will interpret the rules in an impartial manner, always keeping in mind that the purpose of the rules is to ensure that the game is played in an orderly and fair manner.
- I will humbly accept any penalty that the governing body at any level of curling deems appropriate, if I am found in violation of the Code of Ethics or rules of the game.

Some of the **key items of proper curling etiquette** are as follows:

- Shake hands with your opponents (without gloves) before and after each game.

- The opposing thirds will toss a coin at the start of the game to determine last rock advantage.
- When your opponents are preparing for delivery, stand to the side of the sheet, in a single file and between the hog lines, move only after the rock has been released.
- If you are throwing next you may stand on the backboard, but remain quiet and out of sight of the opposition thrower.
- Only skips and thirds may congregate behind the tee line. They will not move or hold their brooms on the ice while the opposition is preparing to deliver a rock.
- Wear clean, appropriate footwear that will not damage the ice.
- Be ready to go when it's your turn to deliver a rock.
- At the conclusion of an end, all players remain outside the rings until the opposing thirds have agreed on the score.

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CONSENT AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY

_____ has my permission to participate in all activities of the World Junior B Curling Championships in _____ year_____ and to be transported by pre organized transport when necessary. I understand all events will have adult supervision. In consideration of the benefits to be derived from these activities, I hereby voluntarily waive any claim against the Australian Curling Federation, the sponsors, and the owner/or driver of the car or bus furnishing transportation to any event. I further agree to direct my son/daughter to conform to the fullest with the directions and instructions of the sponsors in charge. This consent and release is in effect until I give the Australian Curling Federation written notice to the contrary.

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Phone: () _____

Street: _____

City: _____ Post code: _____

email: _____

MEDICAL CARE PERMIT

I hereby authorise emergency medical care or first-aid treatment as needed for _____ in the event of illness or injury during any sponsored activity at the enter year _____ World Junior B Curling Championships. This permit is in effect until I give the Australian Curling Federation written notice to the contrary.

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Health Insurance Company: _____

Subscriber's Name: _____

Policy Number: _____

Insurance company's emergency phone: _____

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

	Parents	Nearest Relative	Neighbour
Name			
Address			
Phone			

Please print (use the back of the form if necessary)

Has he/she had any surgery or serious illness within the last 3 years? ___yes ___no. If yes, explain:

Is he/she required to take any medication? ___yes ___no. If so, for what reason and how often?

Does he/she have any allergies or allergic reaction to any medication? ___yes ___no. If yes, explain.

Is he/she presently under a doctor's care? ___yes ___no. If yes, explain.