

HAMILTON & DISTRICT LADIES' BONSPIEL 2010 RULES

**The purpose of this bonspiel is to promote participation by new curlers.
Skips are encouraged to bring new curlers out to enjoy the camaraderie of curling at our local clubs.**

1. O.C.A. rules apply with some variations.
2. All players must be a member of the club they represent in this bonspiel except the sponsorship team(s) who must be employees of the sponsor.
3. All players must play their "eligible position" or **higher**, as defined by the Hamilton and District Bonspiel and so verified by the club representative to the Hamilton and District Day Ladies Bonspiel. "Eligible position" is defined to be as follows:

BONSPIEL LEADS AND SECONDS ELIGIBILITY DEPENDS ON THEIR YEARS OF CURLING EXPERIENCE

- **Lead – in her 10th year of curling or less**
- **Second – in her 15th year of curling or less**

BONSPIEL VICES AND SKIPS ELIGIBILITY DEPENDS ON THEIR CLUB RATINGS – NOT-YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

- **Vice – any competitor can play this position except a rated skip**
- **Skip – no restriction**

Each player must deliver rocks in the order of her designated position.

4. A team may start the game with 3 players with the knowledge that the 4th person will join them within 45 minutes or they forfeit the game. **A team short a player must secure a replacement from its' own club.** The substitute must be of equal or lower eligible position (number of years). Before the game, the skip must inform the host club umpire of substitute's name and her position.
5. A player who leaves during the game because of illness, accident or other extenuating circumstances may rejoin her team at any time during the game in progress and may rejoin the team for the next game. If a player must leave the game, the first two players will each throw three rocks.
6. In the case of a tie, a full extra end is to be played towards the glass.
7. **Default Clauses:**
 - A) If a team is more than 15 minutes late, 1 point and 1 end is forfeited. The late team throws the first stone to start the game.
 - B) If more than 30 minutes late, 2 points and 2 ends are forfeited. The late team throws the first stone to start the game.
 - C) If more than 45 minutes late, the game is forfeited
8. Games are scheduled for 8 ends, including the finals. Games are scored on a win/loss basis and **must** be conceded when out of rocks.
9. No games are to be cancelled or rescheduled unless notified by the Drawmaster or Chairperson.
10. Ruling on any extraordinary circumstances, which interfere with play, is left to the discretion of the umpire. In case of a rules dispute, the umpire's decision is final.

NOTES:

- A) Names of team personnel and the skip's phone number are to be listed on the entry form.
- B) Rock colour will be assigned. Top name on draw sheet will be top colour on scoreboard. Toss for last rock.
- C) After the draw has been made, no refund shall be granted to a team cancelling unless they obtain the necessary replacement team.
- D) Competitors are only eligible to participate in one section of the District competition. **A player eliminated may not substitute for any other team.**
- E) The Club umpire should announce that 8 ends should be completed in 2 hours or less. In the case of slow play, the umpire has the right to **warn slow teams and to request they speed up their play.**
- F) Dress codes are in effect at some clubs and must be adhered to by both players and spectators.

For further information, contact the following:

Your club representative.

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Drawmaster: Reta Giles 905-634-3202

Chairperson: Marie Pyper 905- 309- 6195

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