**RULES OF PLAY: CURLING**

**1.0 Organization of Competition**

In reference to Schedule 5 - Organization of Competitive Groupings, Seasons and Practice Restrictions, league competition will be organized into the following regions when schools have teams competing: TVRA Central North, TVRA Central South, TVRA South East.

**1.1** League schedules and structure will be developed by the convenors with the

consultation of the TVRA Advisory Council to a maximum of 12 league games.

**1.2** Playoffs in all regions will be governed by the WOSSAA Appendix 9 whereas

 teams will play in their WOSSAA conference. Please refer to Section 6.0 of the

 Rules of Play.

**2.0 Eligibility**

2.1 Refer to the TVRA Agreement Schedule 6.

**3.0 Competition**

Current Canadian Curling Association Rules shall be used with the following changes:

3.1 Unlimited substitutions will be allowed at the conclusion of an end unless it is for an

 injury. All players and opposing coach should be made aware of the substitution. A

player may not re-enter the game.

3.2 Ties will only be broken by playing an extra end in playoff games.

3.3 Two (2) one minute timeouts per team will be allowed during each game. Teams must be in

 control of the house to call a time out. Timeouts may be called by a player or a coach. There

 will be the option of a five (5) minute fourth end break where ice time permits.

3.4 Curling clubs reserve the right to curfew any game. Slow play will not be tolerated.

3.5 The Home Team is responsible for entering game results on the tvraa.com website

 immediately following the game.

**4.0 Uniforms and Equipment**

4.1 Clothing and footwear as required by the host curling club must be worn. Student

athletes must adhere to all club policies.

**5.0 Ties in League Standings**

Final Standings will be determined by the total points accumulated. Points will be awarded as follows:

Win = 3 points

Tie = 2 points

Loss = 1 point

Default = 0 points

5.1 If two teams are tied the following criteria will be applied, in order:

a) The team that won the head to head match shall receive the higher seed.

b) If the tied teams played more than once, then the team with the greatest point differential in the games amongst the tied teams shall receive the higher seed.

c) If the league game(s) was/were tied, then the team with the greater point differential over the entire schedule shall receive the higher seed.

d) Coin toss amongst tied teams. It is expected that a coach from each team must be present at the coin toss.

e) No team shall be eliminated from the playoffs by a coin toss. In the event that a tie for the final playoff position cannot be broken by the process above, then a one game playoff will be held.

5.2 If three (or more) teams are tied the following criteria will be applied, in order:

a) The team with the best head to head record among the tied teams shall receive the highest seed.

b) The team with the greatest point differential in the games amongst the tied teams shall receive the highest seed.

c) The team with the greatest point differential over the entire schedule shall receive the highest seed.

d) Coin toss amongst the tied teams. It is expected that a coach from each team must be present at the coin toss.

e) No team shall be eliminated from the playoffs by a coin toss. In the event that a tie for the final playoff position cannot be broken by the process above, then a one game playoff will be held.

**Note:** As soon as one (or more) team(s) is separated from the other(s) using this system, they will receive the higher rank in the standings. The remaining teams will be ranked by reverting back to step 1 of the above process.

**6.0 Championship Categories and Playoff Procedures**

Playoffs will be organized within the TVDS Central, TVDSB South East and LDA Conferences to determine TVRA champions for each conference.

**7.0 Advancement to WOSSAA, OFSAA**

The winner of:

1. TVDSB Central
2. TVDSB SouthEast
3. LDA (playoff to determine who represents at WOSSAA)

will advance to WOSSAA.

**8.0 Awards**

8.1 Boys Curling TVRA Central Champions (9x12 plaque)

Boys Curling TVRA South East Champions (9x12 plaque)

8.2 Girls Curling TVRA Central Champions (9x12 plaque)

Girls Curling TVRA South East Champions (9x12 plaque)

**9.0 Convenor Responsibilities**

As outlined in the TVRA Participation Agreement schedules 3 through 8.

9.1 Oversee all situations and issues which arise during the season which may or may not be covered in the Rules of Play.

9.2 Convenor Coverage

a) There is one (1) day of supply coverage available for convening and planning in TVRA Central.

b) There is one (1) day of supply coverage available for convening and planning in TVRA SouthEast