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Dr. Henry

First let me thank you for all you have done to guide the province through these very trying times, I can only imagine how difficult it must be to take the high ground when so many want to take the easy path. We are asking that you look at curling in a different light than other sports, for the mental and physical health of all participants.

Curling is a sport that is being performed with social distancing the entire length of the game. We require teams to have just one sweeper, we also require them to stay 3 meters apart. They are also being asked to stay out of the locker rooms and go straight onto the ice. All the equipment is being sanitized before it is touched by each player. Masks are being worn upon entry into the venue until they exit. We really believe that curling can be played without inflicting undue risks on its participants. As well, for most of our junior to senior players it is the only social activity they get.

ViaSport has managed to ensure that curling in the province follows all the guidelines laid out and is informed of all changes. Please consider separating curling under the next order and allow all ages to return to play.

Thank you for your time and the work you do. We look forward to your response and if it is either positive or negative for us we appreciate all you and your staff are doing.

Stay healthy

Sincerely,

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