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## Kelowna Curling Club Spare Policy

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It is the policy of the Kelowna Curling Club that:

### Definitions:

**Member** is defined as a member of the Kelowna Curling Club ("Club"). All members are in good standing except a member who has failed to pay their current annual membership fee and/or has unpaid debt to the Club. A Member has full voting privileges and access to free practice ice.

A **spare** is defined as a person who curls as a substitute player for a regular player on a team. A spare must be a Member, or be registered as a spare on the spare list.

### Leagues:

**Full Season Club League** is defined as a league where full season registration fees are paid.

**Semi Season Club League** is defined as a league where semi-season registration fees are paid.

**Quarterly Club League** is defined as a league where quarterly registration fees are paid.

**Affiliate League** is defined as a league or session where registration is open to players who are not members of Kelowna Curling Club. Members may also play in an Affiliate League:

Travelers Men's League

Pride League (open)

Novice Leagues (open)

Juniors

Others, as offered by the Club

**Playoffs** are defined as the year end games, typically held in March, which follow the regular season games and determine the winners of a designated league and division/pool.

**Draw Master** is defined as the person(s) responsible for formulating the teams for a designated league in accordance with their league's protocols. The Draw Master may be a staff member or a league volunteer as determined by mutual agreement between the Club and designated league. The Draw Master and the office staff collaborate on determining the schedule for the designated league.

**Registration** is defined as having paid the league dues for the league or the spare fee and applicable Curl BC dues, Capital Improvement Fee and any league specific levies.

**Spare Fee** is defined as the fee paid to be on a club league's spare list.

## **Kelowna Curling Club Spare Policy**

### **Draw Master:**

It is the responsibility of the Draw Master, with support from the staff and membership, to manage all the spares ensuring that there is a record maintained of the names and contact information of those who are on the spare list.

The Draw Master will confirm with the office that appropriate fees have been paid before a name is added to the spare list.

The spare list for the evening leagues will be maintained on the website:

([https://www.kelownacurling.com/general\\_info/spare-list/](https://www.kelownacurling.com/general_info/spare-list/))

In accordance with their league protocol, the Draw Master will circulate to their league players, via email and/or post on the club website, the spare list for their respective Senior's Men's and Kelowna Afternoon Ladies Leagues.

### **Privileges:**

Privileges for Club League Players in Each League Category

There is no limit on the number of times per week a player can spare provided the following league guidelines are adhered to.

Full Season Club Leagues

- Full Season club league players are allowed to spare in any league.

Semi Season Club Leagues

- Semi Season league players are allowed to spare in any league.

Quarterly Club Leagues

- Senior Men's League and KALCC are allowed to spare in any league provided they pay for 2 quarters or more. Registering for 2 quarters gives the same privileges as a Semi Season club league player.
- Senior Men are allowed to spare in either or both of their Tuesday/Thursday and Wednesday/Friday leagues if they pay for 2 quarters or more without being charged a spare fee.
- KALCC are allowed to spare in their specific day league, if they pay for one full quarter or more
- e.g. no spare fee for KALCC games, if registered as a full time KALCC player for at least 1 quarter
- If a player shares a spot (i.e. plays once per week vs twice per week) then they can spare in their specific league, if they register for at least 2 quarters as a one-day-per-week player or the equivalent of one full quarter.

Privileges for Affiliate League Players

Affiliate league players can spare 2 times in a season in any club league. Thereafter, they have no sparing privileges for club leagues unless they register as a club spare or member of a specific league.

## **Kelowna Curling Club Spare Policy**

### **Privileges for Players Who are Only on the Spare List**

A player who is not registered in a Full Season, Semi Season or Quarterly club league may pay a spare fee to be on a club spare list.

Once the spare fee is paid, the player can play in the leagues associated with that spare fee category. See categories of spare fees below.

There is no limit on the number of times per week a player can spare.

Spares do not have access to free practice ice. Practice ice is available for a fee.

Spares are not members of the Kelowna Curling Club and therefore do not have voting privileges.

It is the responsibility of the spare to check in with the Office and/or the Draw Master to ensure that the appropriate fees have been paid.

### **Recruiting Spares**

Using the Spare List for Regular League Curling:

Teams needing a spare are to first call the players on the spare list before soliciting a replacement via other means.

When a spare is recruited, the team should look for a spare of the same caliber as the absent player from the spare list.

When a team needs a spare, the existing members of the team are asked if they want to move up the team roster and play a higher position. Once the team's regular players have determined their positions, spares can play any remaining vacant position.

Playoff special considerations:

Spares must be a member of the Kelowna Curling Club.

Spares must play lead or if 2 spares, one spare can play lead and the other spare may play the position of the missing player. If a Skip and one other player is missing, one spare may Skip and the other spare plays lead.

Teams must have 2 original players on it or the game is forfeited and a fun game can be played.

A player, who is still competing in the A-side bracket of the League Championship, may not spare for another team competing in the playoffs.

Spare Box:

Players who want to spare in a game can stand in the "Spare Box" delineated near the centre ice door. They can play for any team provided all the conditions of the spare policy have been met.

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### **Spare Fees:**

Spare fees do not include the use of a club broom and shoes. Equipment rental is arranged through the office.

Spares will be assessed Curl BC affiliation fees. (i.e. \$20/year or the amount as assessed by the association)

Spare fees for players who are only on the spare list are set annually. See the registration form for details.

The spare fee categories are:

Any League Any time (Daytime and Evening): based on registration fee for 2 quarters

Evening only: based on 40-50% of evening league registration fee

Daytime only (KALCC league specific): based on registration fee for 1 quarter

Drop-in fee: based on an average price per game for club league and is set annually as a fee per game

Punch card: based on an average price per game for club league with a 10-20% discount from the drop-in fee.

### **Communications:**

The basic Spare Policy is to be posted on the Kelowna Curling Club website and a sign posted in the Club outlining the basic policy requirements:

1. Spares must be on the spare list and have paid the spare fees or be a fully paid members of a regular league.
2. There is no limit to the number of times that a player on the spare list can spare.
3. Players on the spare list DO NOT HAVE PRACTICE ICE PRIVILEGES
4. For more information: <https://www.kelownacurling.com/news/>

### **Review of Policy**

The policy should be reviewed at least every three years or more frequently, if warranted.