

WORLD DEAF CURLING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2022
CHAMPIONNAT DU MONDE DE CURLING DES SOURDS 2022



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The Alberta Deaf Sports Association (ADSA), which is affiliated with the Canadian Deaf Sports Association (CDSA), is honoured to host the World Deaf Curling Championships in Banff, Alberta, Canada from March 12 to 26, 2022. There will be three (3) official curling events at these Championships:

- Mixed Doubles Curling (March 12 to 17, 2022)
- Men's Curling (March 18 to 26, 2022)
- Women's Curling (March 18 to 26, 2022)

This event is endorsed by the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf. In 1991, Banff hosted the World Games for the Deaf; accordingly, the 2022 World Deaf Curling Championships will also mark the 31st anniversary of the previous Games.

1) COVID-19

i. Update on health and safety protocols:

Critical new information: the Alberta government has announced that “Step 2” will start on March 1st, resulting in the following:

- The provincial mask mandate is removed, except in high-risk settings (hospitals and long-term care and nursing homes)
- Masks will still be required on public transit (include local transportation from the hotel to the competition venue)
- The vaccine passport will not be required

ii. International Travellers

Use ArriveCAN to enter Canada

You must use ArriveCAN to provide mandatory travel information before and after your entry into Canada. It only takes minutes to help keep one another safe. Download the latest version of ArriveCAN (available for iOS, Android, and online at <https://arrivecan.cbsa-asfc.cloud-nuage.canada.ca/welcome>). ArriveCAN is mandatory and free! You will need to submit your information within 72 hours before your arrival in Canada. If you do not have a smartphone, please sign in to ArriveCAN from a computer.

Pre-entry testing (accepted types, timing)

- Proof of a professionally administered or observed **negative antigen test** (rapid antigen test, viral antigen test) taken outside of Canada no more than 1 day before your scheduled flight

OR

- Proof of a valid **negative molecular test** (PCR, NAT or NAATs, RT-LAMP) taken within 72 hours of your scheduled flight departure time to Canada

iii. Departing from Canada after the event

For anyone who needs to take a COVID test before flying back home, please e-mail at wdcc.chairperson@gmail.com to let us know.

The “GO RAPID TEST BANFF” walk-through travel testing option is available – and no appointment is needed! This service offers Rapid Antigen and Molecular PCR tests.

If you need to and state your preferred date and time so that we can arrange to take you to the testing site.

2) PROTOCOL FOR THE CURLING EVENT - UPDATE

a. Vaccination protocol for the curling event

- No vaccine passport is required but all athletes and officials must be fully vaccinated due to the presence of international travellers at the event.
- Social media personnel, game umpires, ice technicians, timekeepers, support staff and representatives, and volunteers may wear a mask on the field of play. No mandate as per Alberta government regulations.
- Volunteers may wear masks. No mask mandate as per Alberta government regulations.

b. COVID-19 protocol for the curling event: update

All volunteers, umpires, support staff, and social media personnel may wear a mask on the field of play. No mask mandate as per Alberta government regulations.

- Players and coaches may wear a mask indoors except on the field of play.
- Strong recommendation not to assemble in hotel rooms with people from outside your group; however, members of any group, including teams, umpires, and so on, may assemble.

c. Local Transportation:

From Banff to Fenlands/Banff Curling Club (the competition venue)

- Drivers are required to wear masks.
- Athletes and officials are required to wear masks.

d. General

Athletes, officials, umpires, timekeepers, and volunteers may choose to wear masks for their own safety; please respect their choice.

3) LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

Airport:

we have received all transportation forms from participating countries. Someone at the airport displaying a “WDCC” sign will lead you to the passenger van.

Whova app:

For all in Banff transportation requests please use the Whova app (further information provided on the WHOVA app provided below)

We request that you instant message the committee for all transportation needs so that we can provide a time for pick up and be on site. For game scheduled dates and times, for athletes and officials, please give a days notice so that the drivers can be ready for specific times requested for pick up.

Please download Whova, the Event & Conference App, by clicking [here](#). Search under the name 2022 World Deaf Curling Championships the WDCC 2022 logo is easily identified the logo is similar to the one found on social media.

This app contains all current up-to-date program guides and all updates for the duration of the curling event. It includes the program book, updated standings, updated line scores, photos, the transportation schedule, and in-app messaging to reach out to others (especially useful for scheduling of transportation).

4) OTHER MATTERS

4.1) 2022 WDCC Schedule - Important - Social Events

March 12, 2022 at 12:30 pm	Opening Ceremony
March 17 in the afternoon	Championship match and Medal Ceremony immediately following the match
March 18 at 7:30 pm	Opening Ceremony
March 26 in the afternoon	Championship match and Medal and Closing Ceremonies immediately following the match
March 26 in the evening	Social event include All-Stars Awards - To be determined

4.2) TRAINING & GAMES SCHEDULES

Please go to www.ciss.org/championships/2022/119/cu/regulations

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