



Keystone Rainbow Curling League

Constitution and By-Laws

Article 1 – Name

The organization shall be known as the Keystone Rainbow Curling League.

Article 2 – Objectives

1. To promote the game of curling and participation in the game to the 2SLGBTQ+ community.
2. To promote fellowship and enjoyment of curling among all members of the Keystone Rainbow Curling League.
3. To preserve the tradition of the game of curling.
4. To cooperate with other member leagues of the Canadian Pride Curling Association, and other leagues, in the interest of fellowship and curling.
5. To encourage participation by all members in all league activities.
6. To maintain membership in the Granite Curling Club and CurlManitoba.

Article 3 – Membership

1. Application for membership shall be completed through the Granite Curling Club's online registration system.
2. Acceptance as a member shall be subject to the scrutiny of the League Executive Committee.
3. Any member whose conduct, in the opinion of the League Executive Committee, is deemed to be not in the best interests of the League may be asked to resign.

- Failure of such member to resign will result in expulsion and their position on any rink declared vacant.
4. Discrimination and harassment are prohibited. This includes actions based on, among other grounds, sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression.

Article 4 – Executive Committee

1. The League shall be governed by the Executive Committee who shall be responsible to all members for all League activities.
2. The Executive Committee shall be elected and composed of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Draw Coordinator, Website Coordinator, Social Media & Communications Director, and 3 Directors at Large.
3. Executive Committee Meetings
 - a. Executive Committee Meetings shall be held a least once per month during the Curling Season
 - b. Special meetings of the Executive may be called by the President but shall be called upon with the written request of four Executive Committee Members.
 - c. A majority of Executive Committee members shall constitute a quorum with at least 48 hours notice of a meeting.
4. Executive Committee Vacancies
 - a. The Executive Committee shall be empowered to fill any vacancy in the Executive Committee which may occur.
 - b. If any elected, delegated or appointed member of the Executive Committee is absent for three consecutive meetings their position shall be declared vacant unless, by resolution, excused.
5. No member of the Executive Committee shall obligate the League to any financial commitment without the approval of the Executive Committee.
6. The signing officers for cheques, vouchers and other documents pertaining to League affairs shall be any two of the following: President, Vice-President, Secretary and /or Treasurer.
7. The Executive Committee shall ensure that all financial records be subject to an inspection by a qualified person approved by the Executive Committee. Such inspection is to be completed as soon as possible after the fiscal year end (April 30th) and by no later than August 31st. Such qualified person may be an Executive Committee Member.
8. The incoming Executive Committee shall take office on June 1st.
9. The Executive Committee shall have the power to establish committees of the board in order to ensure that the best interests of the League are met.

- a. The Executive Committee shall have the power to establish such standing and ad hoc committees as it deems necessary, and delegate to such committees any of the power and authority reserved to the Executive Committee. The committee Chair of such other committees as the Executive Committee may establish shall have the power to appoint non-members of the Executive Committee to serve on such committee.
- b. The Executive Committee shall have the power to abolish any standing or ad hoc committee in order to best serve the needs of the League.

Article 5 – Duties of the Officers of the Executive Committee

1. The President shall preside at all general and Executive committee meetings. They shall be an ex-officio member of all standing and appointed sub-committees. They shall be the official representative of the Keystone Rainbow Curling League at meetings of all other organizations in which the League is entitled to representation except when another member is appointed by the Executive Committee to act as representative for the League. If the President or officially appointed representative is unable to attend any such meeting, the President shall appoint a substitute.
2. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in their absence.
3. The Secretary shall perform all general secretarial duties, attend all meetings designated by the President, keep an accurate record of proceedings of all meetings and such other duties as shall be assigned.
4. The Treasurer shall transact in monies on behalf of the League. They shall keep such funds in an account or accounts in the name of the League. They shall keep an accurate record of all receipts and distributions prepare a financial statement for presentation at all annual meetings and make a report for the Executive Committee Meetings. They shall ensure that a yearly inspection is made of the books and a statement of such inspection be forwarded to the Executive Committee.

Article 6 – Meetings of the Membership

1. Annual Meeting
 - a. An annual general meeting of all League Members shall be held within 30 days of the end of the Curling Season for the purpose of receiving reports and inspected financial statements.
 - b. The annual election of the Executive Committee shall be held as part of the annual meeting.

- c. The place and time of such meeting shall be set by the Executive Committee.
 - d. The Secretary shall cause to be sent to each member of the League a Notice of Meeting twenty-one (21) days prior to such meeting.
 - e. Notice to members may be given by any of these methods: mail, email, website, and/or social media.
 - f. The Secretary shall cause to be available the Minutes of the annual meeting to members within sixty (60) days following the annual meeting.
2. Annual Election
- a. Eligible for nomination shall be members in good standing.
 - b. Members shall be eligible for election to the Executive Committee for three-year terms. Members may hold the same position for no more than three consecutive years (1 term) before an election. Said members shall be eligible for election to the Executive Committee for no more than nine consecutive years (3 terms).
 - c. The Vice President will automatically be elected to the office of the President upon the close of the President's term unless voted down by a majority of members at the Annual General Meeting.
 - d. The Chairperson (President) of any General Meeting, Executive Committee meeting or Sub-committee meeting shall have the casting vote in case of a tie.
3. General Meeting
- a. A General Meeting of all League members may be called by majority vote of the Executive Committee, or, at the written request to the Executive Committee of not fewer than 20 members in good standing. Such request is to contain the agenda for the requested meeting. No business may be conducted other than that for which the meeting was called. In such case, written notice must be extended to all League members at least two weeks in advance of the proposed meeting date.
4. The quorum for transaction of business at a membership meeting described in sections 1 and 3 herein shall be 20% of all League members.

Article 7 – By-Laws

- 1. No officer or member of the League or any person shall issue any statement in the name of the League or involving the League without the approval of the Executive Committee or a general meeting except in the case of emergency when the President may, with the approval of three other Executive Committee members, take such action as may be required.

2. Amendments to the By-laws and the Constitution may be made only at the Annual, Special or General Meetings and only as a result of a notice of motion submitted in writing to the League Secretary/Treasurer 30 days prior to the meeting at which the proposal is to be considered. All members must be notified of the proposed change and of the date of the meeting in writing at least 14 days prior to the meeting. Adoption of any such amendment must have the approval of at least two-thirds of the members attending the meeting at which the amendment is considered.
3. The rules of CurlManitoba shall govern all conduct of play except as otherwise provided in the constitution, By-laws, and Rules.
4. Members of the League will be free to make up teams of 4 curlers of any gender combination.
5. Teams will be free to have up to four alternate curlers. Each alternate will pay and register as a 5th, 6th, 7th or 8th player.

Article 8 – Commencement

This Constitution and By-laws shall be effective immediately following its adoption by two-thirds majority vote of the members of the League present at the meeting at which it is proposed. When so adopted, this Constitution shall supersede all previous Constitutions and By-laws and amendments thereto.

Article 9 – Dissolution

It is an irrevocable provision of this bylaw that members of the League shall have no pecuniary interest in the property or assets of the League, and that upon dissolution or winding-up of the League, any funds and assets of the League remaining after satisfaction of its debts and liabilities shall be distributed to a recognized charitable organization in the area whose objects most closely accord with those of the League, as determined by its members at dissolution.

Adoption:

This revision was adopted by two-thirds majority vote of members of the League at an Annual General Meeting held March 30th, 2025.