



BY-LAW A – MEMBERSHIP AND FEES

The Executive Committee of Riverdale hereby enacts the following By-Law in accordance with Article 7, Section B of the Constitution:

- (a) Membership dues for Members are set at \$300 per year (the “One-Time Dues”) if paid in one installment and \$330 per year if paid in two equal installments of \$165 (the “Installments”). Based on the circumstances, other arrangements can be made at the discretion of the Executive Committee.
- (b) A returning Member is defined as a Member, not an Alternate (or “Fifth Player”) or Spare, who played in the Riverdale Curling League in the previous season. The Executive Committee shall have full discretion in resolving any disputes or uncertainties regarding whether an individual is or is not a returning Member.
- (c) A new Member is defined as an individual who is not a returning Member and who did not play in the Riverdale Curling League in the previous season. The Executive Committee shall have full discretion in resolving any disputes or uncertainties regarding whether an individual is or is not a new Member.
- (d) If a returning Member is paying One-Time Dues, they are due on a date specified by the Executive Committee prior to the start of that year’s curling season.
- (e) If a Member is paying in Installments, they are due on the dates specified by the Executive Committee and communicated to the Members.

Enacted on the 5th day of September, 2017, following a vote in the affirmative by the Riverdale Executive Committee.



BY-LAW B – RULES, TEAMS, AND SPARING

The Executive Committee of Riverdale hereby enacts the following By-Law in accordance with Article 7, Section B of the Constitution:

- (a) The rules of the Canadian Curling Association for General Play shall govern all conduct of play, except as otherwise provided in the Riverdale Orientation Guide (made available to all Members at the beginning of each curling season).
- (b) Members shall be free to make up teams of any four (4) Members of any mix of sex (a "Team").
- (c) Teams may have a fifth player or alternate (an "Alternate"), provided that such Alternate pays a fee of fifty dollars (\$50) to Riverdale.
- (d) Non-Members of Riverdale may spare on a Team (a "Spare") for no cost, two (2) games per half of the curling season (start of season to January 1st – after January 1st). Spares that play more than two (2) games per half must pay ten dollars (\$10) per game to a member of the Executive Committee (the "Spare Fee").
- (e) Spares shall not have to pay more than \$150 per half of the curling season.
- (f) The President, or his delegate, shall communicate the Spare Fee to all skips.

Enacted on the 21st day of July, 2014, following a vote in the affirmative by the Riverdale Executive Committee.



BY-LAW C – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of Riverdale hereby enacts the following By-Law in accordance with Article 7, Section B of the Constitution:

- (a) In addition to the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary, the Executive Committee shall consist of a Drawmaster, an Events Coordinator, an Internal Relations Coordinator, an External Relations Coordinator, and a Communications Coordinator.
- (b) The Drawmaster shall be responsible for:
 - a. Ensuring the draw of play is prepared and based on available ice time and special event scheduling.
 - b. Ensuring, to the extent possible, an even distribution for teams across sheets and draw times.
 - c. Providing Members with accurate and up-to-date standings.
 - d. When necessary, interpreting Canadian Curling Association and Riverdale rules of play.
 - e. Acting as umpire or referee with respect to disputes.
 - f. Preparing a list of rules in writing for the Riverdale Orientation Guide prior to the start of each curling season.
 - g. Providing the draw, standings, and other related information to the Communications Coordinator in a timely and accurate manner.
- (c) The Events Coordinator shall:
 - a. Plan, organize, and operate the annual Riverdale bonspiel (the “Bonspiel”).
 - b. Establish a Bonspiel executive committee and recruit volunteers as necessary for the successful operation of the event.
 - c. Present the budget for the Bonspiel to the Riverdale Executive Committee, such that the Bonspiel will be self-funded without contribution by Riverdale.
 - d. Preside over all Bonspiel executive committee meetings.
 - e. Respond to all inquiries related to the Bonspiel in a timely manner.
 - f. Oversee all Bonspiel operations and prepare planning reports to present to the Riverdale Executive Committee as required.
 - g. Approach the Riverdale Executive Committee to coordinate issues of common interest and shared responsibility.
- (d) The Member Relations Coordinator shall:

- a. Act as liaison between the Members and the Executive Committee.
 - b. Track payment of membership fees, including confirming with Members about receipt of payment of fees.
 - c. Coordinating fee collection data alongside the Treasurer and Vice-President.
 - d. To ensure all outstanding fees are collected and handle all issues that arise relating to fees in general.
 - e. Draft, assemble, edit, and print a newsletter (as required), and send an electronic copy to the Communications Coordinator to publish on the Riverdale Website (as defined below).
- (e) The External Relations Coordinator shall:
- a. Be responsible for building and maintaining relationships with other curling, LGBT, and sports organizations in keeping with the goals and values of Riverdale.
 - b. Serve as liaison between Riverdale and the Canadian Gay Curling Association (“CGCA”).
 - c. Attend the Canadian Gay Curling Championships (“Nationals”) and the annual meeting of the CGCA (or appoint a designate from the Executive Committee, or if none are available, from the membership).
 - d. Represent the interests and vote on behalf of Riverdale at the CGCA meeting.
 - e. Coordinate and supervise Nationals playdowns with the Drawmaster.
 - f. Inform Riverdale Members of Nationals issues and events, in cooperation with the Communications Coordinator.
 - g. If possible, attend out-of-town bonspiels to establish and maintain relationships with other cities’ leagues.
 - h. Serve as a point of contact for external organizations as they relate to the game of curling or Nationals issues.
- (f) The Communications Coordinator shall be responsible for:
- a. Being the primary contact for all online communications (collectively, the “Online Channels”) for Riverdale, including, but not limited to:
 - i. the website (www.gaycurl.ca) (the “Website”);
 - ii. all content on the Website;
 - iii. Riverdale’s Twitter account (@gaycurl);
 - iv. the Riverdale group on Facebook (which is shared with the Rotators Curling League, for which the Communications Coordinator will also be responsible);
 - and
 - v. all Riverdale email accounts.
 - b. Providing new and updated information to Members (in consultation with other members of the Executive Committee) through the Online Channels including, but not limited to:
 - i. schedules;
 - ii. standings;
 - iii. contact information;
 - iv. team lists;
 - v. bonspiel information;

- vi. photos;
 - vii. videos;
 - viii. surveys; and
 - ix. links.
- c. Reviewing and evaluating fees paid for Riverdale's Online Channels (such as website hosting fees).

Enacted on the 21st day of July, 2014, following a vote in the affirmative by the Riverdale Executive Committee.



BY-LAW D - ELECTIONS

The Executive Committee of Riverdale hereby enacts the following By-Law in accordance with Article 7, Section B of the Constitution:

- (a) The Executive Committee shall select one or more Member(s) of Riverdale, who is not standing for election, to conduct the election at the annual general meeting (the "Election Coordinator").
- (b) Individuals wishing to stand for election at the next annual general meeting shall notify the Election Coordinator in writing (which must contain one (1) nominating signature from another Member) at least seven (7) days before the date of the annual general meeting.
- (c) The composition of Executive Committee positions for the following season shall be determined by the current Executive Committee, and shall be finalized prior to nominations being open.
- (d) All Members present shall be entitled to a single vote on all election ballots for contested positions and any other votes at a meeting, whether a special meeting or the annual general meeting.
- (e) Each candidate for a contested position may provide a short statement when called upon to the annual general meeting regarding their candidacy before the voting begins. The order of the candidates' statements shall be alphabetically by last name.
- (f) Voting for candidates for the Executive Committee shall be conducted by secret ballot, and no personally-identifiable marks may be made to any ballot by any Member. No ballot shall be accepted by the Election Coordinator until all speeches are completed.
- (g) The ballots shall be collected, monitored, and counted by at least two (2) Members not standing for election (the "Election Monitors").
- (h) Each candidate standing for election may nominate an individual to observe the ballot distribution and/or counting on their behalf (a "Scrutineer"). Scrutineers are only empowered to observe and monitor, and shall report any concerns to the Election Coordinator before the results are announced. Any issues raised by a Scrutineer shall be resolved promptly by the Election Coordinator and the decision of the Election Coordinator shall be final.
- (i) Candidates for election shall be declared the winner if they receive the highest amount of eligible votes, as determined by the Election Monitors, subject to the resolution of any disputes or issues raised by Members to the Election Coordinator prior to final results being announced.
- (j) In the event of a tie vote, the President shall be authorized to use his/her discretion to make a determination as to resolve such tie.

- (k) Candidates for positions who ran unopposed shall be declared the winner of that position by the Election Coordinator upon the conclusion of the counting of ballots for contested positions.

Enacted on the 27th day of March, 2015, following a vote in the affirmative by the Riverdale Executive Committee.



BY-LAW E - DISSOLUTION

The Executive Committee of Riverdale hereby enacts the following By-Law in accordance with Article 7, Section B of the Constitution:

- (a) The Executive Committee may call a Special Meeting of Members to discuss and vote on the dissolution of the league.
- (b) Any Member wishing to speak at such a Special Meeting shall be given the opportunity to speak for up to three (3) minutes, to be monitored by the President of Riverdale, or his/her designate.
- (c) Upon the conclusion of the aforementioned speeches regarding the proposed dissolution of Riverdale, the President, or his/her designate, shall call a vote. Each Member shall be allowed to cast one (1) vote indicating whether or not they agree that Riverdale shall be dissolved.
- (d) If fifty percent plus one vote (50% + 1) of votes cast on the issue of dissolution indicate that the majority of Members desire that Riverdale be dissolved, the dissolution process shall be initiated.
- (e) Dissolution of Riverdale shall include the Executive Committee:
 - a. returning Riverdale's partial ownership stake to the Royal Canadian Curling Club;
 - b. donating any Riverdale assets to the Royal Canadian Curling Club, either in-kind or the proceeds of any liquidation, as determined by the Executive Committee in its sole discretion;
 - c. cooperating with the Royal Canadian Curling Club to transition Riverdale members or assets; and
 - d. discharging any debt held in Riverdale's name.
- (f) Dissolution of Riverdale shall be completed no later than one (1) year from the date that the Members voted that Riverdale be dissolved.
- (g) No Member, including the members of the Executive Committee, shall be liable for any claims, costs or expenses resulting from the dissolution of Riverdale, unless such Member has acted in a grossly negligent or fraudulent manner.

Enacted on the 27th day of March, 2015, following a vote in the affirmative by the Riverdale Executive Committee.