## RULES OF PLAY FOR --- ALL MENS DIVISIONS 2019 Hamilton & District Battlefield Bonspiel

- 1. All players must be dues paid playing members of the curling club they are representing in the bonspiel. This includes any rental league players.
- 2. All players must be nineteen [19] years of age or older using the year of birth. At the time of entry all 4 team members must provide their age, and e-mail address so the committee can to determine the cumulative age of the team and what division they will compete in. It is an age-based draw format with an objective of 128 total teams.
- 3. Any individual participating in the Hamilton & District Men's Bonspiel may only play within one division unless he is a substitute player. A substitute player may participate in more than one division during the bonspiel if he has not played 2 or more games with another team during the bonspiel. The replacement player must come from the same curling club and the skip must advise the host umpire before the game his playing position, name, age, and e-mail address.
- 4. A player may not substitute on any team if he has played as a designated member of any other team during the bonspiel. Once a substitute player has played 2 or more games with one team he is considered as a member of that team. The original team's player he has substituted for may return to the team and play and it becomes a 5 person team.
- 5. A team must play two [2] of its\_original members in all games who were originally registered before the beginning of their first game. All teams must have three team members for all games including the finals. First two players will throw 3 rocks each.
- 6. All games are 8 ends including finals. In the event of a tie during any non-elimination game one rock will be thrown to the home end by any team member with sweeping. If it is an elimination game a full end will be played back to the glass.
- 7. A team is considered late if they arrive 5 minutes after the established start time and the penalty will be [1] point in favor of the team on hand and one end counted as played. The late team throws first stone for the second end. The second penalty period will commence at 15 minutes after the established start time with a [2] shot penalty [total points penalty is now 3] two ends counted as played as well as loss of hammer. If the offending team is 30 minutes late the game is forfeited.
- 8. Any violation of bonspiel rules or flagrant un-sportsmanship activities will result in immediate team disqualification by the host umpire. The head umpire's decision is final.
- No hair brush brooms will be allowed to enter the curling area. Wrapped corn head brooms will be allowed for delivery of a rock only.

## New format:

The 5 rock rule will be used for this event.

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<u>The Day Section</u>: Maximum number of teams allowed will be 80. The designated division will be determined by the total accumulated age of all 4 team members using year of birth.

2019

- Grand Masters Division Championship: The oldest 32 [ maximum] teams
  - o All participants are to be 70 years of age or older.
- Masters Division Championship: The next oldest 32 [maximum] teams.
- Senior Division Championship: The next oldest 16 [maximum] teams Finals will be played against Night Division Senior section

<u>The Night Section</u>: Maximum number of teams allowed will be 48 The designated division will be determined by the total accumulated age of all 4 team members using year of birth.

2019

- Senior Division Championship: The oldest 16 [maximum] teams.
- Open Division Championship: Will be played with the youngest 32 [maximum] teams

Sign-in at: 2019 https://hamilton-bonspiel-mens.curling.io/

The entry fee per team for the 2019 event is \$160.00

Entries close midnight Friday November 30, 2018

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