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Carleton Heights Curling Club – Sparing Eligibility Policy

The following policy addresses sparing eligibility applicable to all Member¹ leagues. Individual leagues may have additional sparing restrictions provided they are approved by the club's Executive. Individual leagues are responsible for determining the number of spares allowed, and the positions spares may throw and play at.

1. A spare is a player who temporarily substitutes for a fully paid team player. If a team has only three paid players, they must find a fourth full-time player rather than relying on spares to fill the position².
2. Any Member of the club may act as a spare in any league provided there are no league specific restrictions in place.
3. A Member may not spare for the same team for more than 3 consecutive games. To play more than three consecutive games for the same team, the Member must contact the club manager to determine if additional membership fees are required.
4. For leagues that incorporate byes in their schedule, teams are encouraged to offer spare opportunities to those Members who have byes on the dates required prior to seeking out alternative spares. To facilitate this, league coordinators will provide teams with names and contact information of all league members who consent to the distribution of such information.
5. A non-member may be invited into the club to curl as a spare on up to three occasions free of charge during the season. This means three occasions across all leagues, not per league.
 - a. The club manager will maintain a sign-in book at the bar where a non-member spare must be signed in by the team's skip (or vice-skip if the skip is absent).
 - b. A non-member must become a Member in order to play more than 3 games in a season.
6. In the case of ½ year members (members paying to play one of either the first half of the season or the second half of the season), and subject to no league specific restrictions to the contrary:
 - a. ½ year members may spare at any time in any league during the ½ season for which they have paid.
 - b. ½ year members may spare up to three times across all leagues during the ½ season that they have not paid for and must be signed in, in the same manner as non-members (see 5 above).

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- 1 A Member is defined as a Member in good standing, if he/she has registered with the club as a one league, two league, or full member and paid all dues owing to the club. Note special conditions described in paragraph 6 above apply to Members who pay for only one half season.
 - 2 If a team is unable to fill all four full-time positions then the Club, through the league co-ordinator, reserves the right to assign a Member to the team for the remainder of the season.
 - 3 The above policy applies to regular league play only.