

Playdowns Scheduling Guidelines Locations and Timing

Purpose: These guidelines are to be used for determining the order, location and timing of the major LBAA Provincial Playdowns. This includes men's and women's Pairs, Triples, Fours, Senior Triples, Singles and Mixed Pairs.

1. Annually alternate each of these Playdowns between Southern and Northern Alberta when possible. Note that scheduling a Playdown in Medicine Hat or Lethbridge may throw off the balance of where tournaments are held.
2. Schedule the Fours Playdowns first as long as Bowls Canada Boulingrin continues to offer a 'carrot' for the winner of the National event. Generally, "rotate" the order of the other events leading to the Majors.
3. Do not schedule these Playdowns to be held on back to back weekends in the same city.
4. Do not schedule any of these Playdowns in Calgary during Stampede (hotel issues).
5. Try to not schedule any Playdown in early to mid-June (weather, green condition concerns).
6. Do not worry about conflicting dates for the Juniors / under 25's until we obtain a significant number of members in those age categories.
7. Do not conflict with any National Championship that players would be eligible to play in. Example: do not schedule the Provincial Mixed Pairs or Senior Triples at the same time as the National Majors.
8. We must, per the current BCB "Final Entry Deadline", have each Playdown completed at least 14 days prior to the applicable National event.