



CURLING: World Mixed Doubles and World Senior Curling Championships 2020 cancelled in Kelowna, Canada

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Kelowna, Canada – The World Mixed Doubles and World Senior Curling Championships 2020 have been cancelled in Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada, due to the ongoing spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

These final two World Curling Championships of the 2019-2020 season were due to take place from 18–25 April at the Kelowna Curling Club.

With over 60 teams expected to be competing and more than 400 travellers including athletes, coaches, supporters and media attending from around the world, it is no longer possible to run these international events.

This decision comes following a recommendation from British Columbia's Provincial Health Officer Dr. Bonnie Henry and careful deliberation with public health officials and event organisers, along with various national travel restrictions that have come into place around the world in the past 48 hours.

"The local organising committee recognises that hosting successful events cannot take place without significant support," said event co-chair Jan Martens. "It's only with the assistance of our sponsors, our partners – City of Kelowna, Tourism Kelowna, the Province of B.C. and our numerous volunteers that we are able to meet the challenge. We want to sincerely thank everyone that worked so hard and partnered with us on this journey."

The safety of the athletes, officials, staff and supporters is paramount in this difficult decision.

With the event now not taking place, the World Curling Federation will consider the implications on mixed doubles Olympic qualification and discuss potential changes that will need to be considered with all the relevant stakeholders.

World Curling Federation President, Kate Caithness, said: "Following the cancellation of the World Women's Curling Championship 2020 in Prince George, in the same Canadian province as the World Mixed Doubles and World Senior Curling Championships 2020, as well as the cancellation of the LGT World Men's Curling Championship 2020 in Glasgow, Scotland, we must also cancel these final world events of the season.

It's with great regret and disappointment that it has not been possible to run all of our flagship World Curling Championships in 2020. But, it's vitally important to remember that we are not alone in doing so, with fellow sporting bodies around the globe also having to make these difficult decisions. Ultimately our first priority is always the health and well-being of our athletes, officials, fans and staff."

Tickets purchased at Select Your Tickets via the Internet or phone sales will be automatically refunded to the purchasing credit card on file. In person sales can only be refunded by visiting the Select Your Tickets Box office.



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Competition Schedule

As of SUN 15 MAR 2020

Date	Start Time	Session	Sheet A	Sheet B	Sheet C	Sheet D
SAT 18 APR	9:00	1	GER - HUN	RUS - FIN	USA - CAN	ITA - CHN
	12:30	2	KOR - NOR	SUI - JPN	NZL - SCO	EST - ENG
	16:30	3	FIN - AUS	GER - ITA	HUN - CHN	RUS - ESP
	20:00	4	NZL - CZE	ENG - NOR	EST - KOR	SCO - SWE
SUN 19 APR	9:00	5	USA - ESP	CAN - AUS	RUS - GER	FIN - CHN
	12:30	6	SCO - NOR	NZL - EST	JPN - SWE	SUI - CZE
	16:00	7	CAN - FIN	USA - RUS	ESP - ITA	HUN - AUS
	19:30	8	ENG - SWE	CZE - KOR	SUI - NZL	JPN - SCO
MON 20 APR	10:00	9	RUS - ITA	AUS - ESP	FIN - HUN	GER - USA
	14:00	10		CHN - CAN	SWE - CZE	
	18:00	11	EST - SUI	SCO - ENG	NOR - JPN	NZL - KOR
TUE 21 APR	9:00	12	CZE - JPN	SUI - SWE	KOR - ENG	NOR - EST
	12:30	13	CHN - GER	ITA - HUN	USA - AUS	ESP - CAN
	16:00	14	NOR - NZL	JPN - ENG	SCO - EST	KOR - SUI
	19:30	15	ITA - USA	FIN - GER	CAN - HUN	CHN - RUS
WED 22 APR	9:00	16	SWE - EST	KOR - SCO	CZE - NOR	ENG - NZL
	12:30	17	HUN - RUS	ESP - CHN	ITA - FIN	AUS - GER
	16:00	18	SUI - SCO	EST - CZE	NZL - JPN	SWE - NOR
	19:30	19	AUS - CHN	RUS - CAN	GER - ESP	USA - FIN
THU 23 APR	9:00	20	JPN - KOR	SWE - NZL	ENG - SUI	CZE - SCO
	12:30	21	ESP - FIN	HUN - USA	AUS - RUS	CAN - ITA
	16:00	22	CZE - ENG	NOR - SUI	SWE - KOR	EST - JPN
	19:30	23	GER - CAN	AUS - ITA	CHN - USA	ESP - HUN
FRI 24 APR	10:00	Qualification				
	16:00	Semi-final 1				
	19:30	Semi-final 2				
SAT 25 APR	10:00	Bronze Medal Game				
	15:00	Gold Medal Game				

Note:

First named team in each game plays red-handled stones and wears dark coloured upper playing garments.