

Asham Under 21 Slam

Competition Rules 2018-19



The Asham Under 21 Slam will be played over four events in the 2018-19 season: Greenacres, Kinross, Inverness and Lockerbie. The RCCC Rules of The Game will apply.

Eligibility and System of Play (S15 in Scottish Curling Rule Book)

- a) The Under 21 Slam is a series of competitions competed for by teams consisting of four eligible male or female members of Scottish Curling. Refer to C2. Participating Teams.
- b) Round robin - all games must be played to determine four qualifiers who shall play in the knock-out stages.
- c) In all round robin games the method of scoring will be one point awarded for each win. Neither shots nor ends shall affect the ranking.
- d) In the event of a tie in a game, an extra end shall be played to determine a winner. If the team with the hammer in the extra end blanks it then the opposing team wins the game.
- e) Where two or more teams are tied for a qualifying place: see C9: Team Ranking Procedure. No tie-breakers will take place, with the DSA determining final ranking where necessary.
- f) Knock-out Stages:
 - i. Where there are two sections, the top two from each section will qualify (A1 v B2, B1 v A2) with the winners progressing to the final.
 - ii. Where there are three sections the top team from each section will qualify for the semi-final and will be ranked by DSA to determine positions 1-3. The highest ranked second placed team by DSA will qualify as (4) for the remaining semi-final position. The semi-finals will be 1v4 and 2v3 unless the highest section winner and the highest ranked second place team are from the same section when the semi-finals will be 1v3 and 2v4.
 - iii. LSFE in all knock-out games; see C8(j): Stone Assignment
 - iv. The Finals and 3/4 play offs must be contested for a minimum of 5 ends to be eligible for prizes and Scottish Curling Under 21 Slam points.
- g) All games are 8 ends and a minimum of 5 ends must be completed.
- h) Substitutions:
 - i. Teams are only allowed **two** substitutes throughout the Under 21 Slam series of competitions
 - ii. A substitute can play for more than one team during a weekend
 - iii. On the use of 7th player in any competition, points awarded in that event will be listed as a new team on the Under 21 Slam leaderboard.

Team Meeting

There will be a meeting with the Chief Umpire at each competition 30 minutes prior to your first game. Please ensure all teams have a representative present.

Other Competition Rules

Brush/Pad Rules for U21 Slam

- All sweeping devices must be compliant with the WCF standards and will be checked by the umpires BEFORE the start of the first game. Any substitutes playing will need to show their sweeping device to an umpire for approval before entering a game.
- Brushes will not be taped, so effectively there will be no monitoring to ensure athletes don't swap sweeping devices. Teams will be expected though, within the Spirit of Curling, not to do this.
- Brush pads or brushes should not be changed during a game except with permission from the umpire. Again, this will not be directly monitored but teams are expected to play within the Spirit of Curling.

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- Athletes found to be playing with a non-compliant brush will be told to change immediately to a compliant device or alternatively will not be allowed to sweep any more stones in the game. If they fail to do this, then they will be removed from the game. If more than one member of the team continues with a non-compliant brush, then the game will be forfeited..
- If an athlete breaks a sweeping device due to ill-discipline, then the disciplinary guidelines will apply. If this does not merit removal from the game, then they will not be able to replace their sweeping device for that game i.e. cannot sweep.

Last Stone First End (LSFE)

- Stone colour will be as allocated on the draw.
- Teams should be ready for practice/LSD 15 minutes prior to game time.
- Teams on top of the scoreboard will practice first apart from game marked with (*) when a coin toss will decide who will practice first or second.
- Pre-game practice **will last 5 minutes for each team.**
- At the conclusion of each team's pre-game practice, two stones will be delivered to the tee at the home end by different players, the first stone with a clockwise and the second with a counter-clockwise rotation.
- The minimum number of stones for each team member can be found in section C8 (g) of the rule book.

Coach Interaction

- Teams may call one 60 second (plus travel time) coach interaction during each game. An additional coach interaction will be allowed in any extra end.

Points System

Separate male and female competitions will be run within each event and points will be awarded to the top four male and female teams. The leaderboard will be updated after each event.

	Junior Women	Junior Men
1 st	15	15
2 nd	11	11
3 rd	9	9
4 th	7	7

Where 2 or more teams are tied at the end of the season the below rules apply to determine ranking:

- Highest number of competition wins
 - Highest number of finishes in the points
 - Highest number of competitions entered
 - If required, further ties will be broken by criteria agreed by the Competition Committee,
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- **£1000** will be awarded to the overall top male and female teams.
 - Prizes will be provided by the host rink at each event for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in male and female events.
 - Asham product for each slam competition winner.
 - Through the Academy programme, there are development incentives for teams and their coach based on their placing in the Under 21 slam leaderboard.

The structure is as follows:

1. **After the 1st Asham Under 21 Slam** = Entry, travel & accommodation for one men & women's team into NJCT competition.
2. **After 3 Asham Under 21 Slams** = Competition entry for the top two men & women's teams.
3. **After 4 Asham Under 21 Slams + Scottish Junior Championships** = Competition entry for the top two men & women's teams.

Points 1-3 above are to be agreed and arranged with Scottish Curling Performance Development Coach.