

Junior Team Ranking System

The Junior Slam Series has developed a Junior Team Ranking System (JTRS) or points system to be used for junior curling teams. The emphasis is on awarding points for winning games with points awarded for both round robin and playoff games. The points awarded for a game are based on the size of the field. There is no strength of field modifier. The Junior Slam will be using this system for all Season 4 events.

Event Level	Field Size	Champion	Finalist	Cons. Winner*	Semi Finalist	Quarter Finalist	Round Robin Per Win	Max Round Robin Pts
Tier 1	13+	1500	900	790	680	270	24	96
Tier 2	11 - 12	1000	600	480	360	180	15	60
Tier 3	7 - 10	750	450	395	340	135	12	48
Tier 4	-6	500	300	240	180	90	10	40
U15	-	250	150	120	90	45	5	20

*Losing a consolation game earns the same points as a semi-finalist

Field Size

Events are categorized based on the field size per gender. The following examples show the current Season 4 event tiers assuming all events are full.

Tier	U18	U21
Tier 1	Players Championship	Players Championship
Tier 2	Phoenix, Sapphire, Pegasus, Apollo, and Orion Slams	Royal, Sapphire, Big Sky, Aquarius, and Nautilus Slams
Tier 3	Capitol Slam	
Tier 4	<i>None currently planned</i>	

Details

- Teams may include, at most, one alternate player in an event and still be eligible for points.
- Points are awarded to the team, not the individual players, mid-season line-up changes will be handled at the discretion of the Junior Slam Series.
- Due to the general volatility of teams at the junior level, points do NOT carry forward to future seasons.
- The JSS reserves the right to make changes to improve the system over time.



Season 4 Plan

Leaderboards

The leaderboards are accessible from the Junior Slam Series website, teams will be able to see their earned points to date by age category. Teams that play “up” an age category earn points in the age category of the event. While any number of events may be entered, a limited number of qualifying events will contribute to the leaderboard score. In this case, the best results are included and the poorer results are ignored. We will host 6 leaderboards, U18 & U21 (both genders), plus U15 & Mixed Doubles.

Qualifying Events	U15	U18	U21	Doubles
	4	5	4	2

Max number of qualifying events per category

Players Championship

As usual, qualifying for the final game of any Junior Slam Series event earns an invitation to that season’s Players Championship at the same age level. For example a U18 team playing in a U21 event and winning or losing the championship game would be invited to the U21 Players Championship.

Additional invitations to the Players Championship will be determined by earned points on the corresponding leaderboard. Teams will be able to track their position on the leaderboard and their qualifying events on the Junior Slam Series website.

Mixed Doubles Pre-Qualifier Events

The Season 4 includes a series of Mixed Doubles pre-qualifier events. These events earn entries into the Junior Slam Series NJCT Qualifiers, and the winners from the NJCT Qualifier events earn the right to represent Canada in Sweden in April. All Mixed Doubles events will be treated as Tier 2 events for points purposes. Mixed Doubles teams are distinct from regular curling teams and earn points separately regardless of overlap in players. There is only a single leaderboard for all Mixed Doubles teams.

The Mixed Doubles calendar includes a mix of U18 and U21 events. This means U18 teams are capable of entering a larger number of events, however, only the top two results will be counted towards a position on the leaderboard. Ties will be broken using an aggregate of the teams last stone draw scores from those top two scoring events. Winning the championship game in a Mixed Doubles Pre-Qualifier event will earn an invitation to the corresponding NJCT Qualifier event. The remaining invitations to the Qualifier will be determined based on leaderboard position.