



## Criteria for Induction into the World Curling Hall of Fame

Induction into the World Curling Hall of Fame is the highest honour an individual or team may receive for their achievements in and contributions to World Curling.

### A. Categories

There shall be two categories of membership in the World Curling Hall of Fame (HOF), Athletes and Builders. A person may be inducted for contributions made in either or both categories. The character of the candidates will be also considered as well as sportsmanship where appropriate.

1. Athletes are those individuals whose primary achievements internationally have been as competitive athletes. A group of 4 individuals may be inducted into the HOF when all members of the group have achieved their success together as a Team.
2. Builders are those persons whose primary contributions to world curling have been outside the competitive arena.

### B. Eligibility

For individuals who are to be voted upon, the following criteria must be considered to determine a nominee's suitability for induction:

#### I. Athletes

- a. Individuals - Must have achieved their 50th birthday by December 31st of the year preceding their nomination and must not have participated in any event leading to either the men's or women's world championship or to the Olympics during the two years preceding their nomination.

b. Teams - The four members who played the most games during the years for which the team's accomplishments are being considered must not have played together as a team for the two years preceding their nomination.

2. Builders - Must have achieved their 60th birthday by December 31st of the year preceding their nomination.

3. Posthumous candidates may be elected immediately.

4. Members of the Board of Directors or Officers of the World Curling Federation as well as members of the Induction Committee shall not be eligible for election into the HOF while serving in office.

### **C. Nominations**

1. Nominations may be by anyone directly to the Secretary General (SG) of the World Curling Federation using the form the SG has designated for that purpose **by 31 October 2018**.

2. Nominations may also be submitted directly to the SG of the World Curling Federation by the WCF Nominating Committee.

3. The Secretary General will advise the list of BOD approved nominee names from any country to that country's Member Association (MA) **by 15 November 2018**.

4. The Member Association must advise the Secretary General of any issues or concerns it has regarding a nominee **by 15 December** of the year prior to the election.

5. The Secretary General will then advise the Chairman of the Induction Committee (IC) **by 31 December** of the year prior to the election of the entire list of nominees approved by the BOD including any comments it has received from the MA's.

6. Nominations for failed candidates will remain valid for 3 years after which time, the candidate must be re-nominated.

#### **D. Number of Elected Candidates**

In any given year, the total number of candidates elected to the Hall of Fame from both categories shall be limited to five persons, a team being counted as two persons for the purposes of this paragraph, with the number of Builders not to exceed two persons. Effort shall be made to select at least one candidate from each category but it is not a requirement that either category be represented in any given year.

#### **E. Election Procedure**

1. Election to the World Curling Hall of Fame shall be at the sole discretion of the Induction Committee and its findings shall be final and binding.

2. The meeting for the purpose of discussing and voting on each of the candidates will be held in January at a time and place convenient to its members.

3. Proxies will not be permitted but attendance via electronic means will be permitted.

4. The IC will determine its own rules regarding voting procedures and any other matters which may arise.

5. The IC may, in exceptional circumstances as it may determine, waive or modify the requirements specified herein.

6. The Chairman of the IC will advise the Secretary General by 31 January of the year of the election the names of those persons elected by the IC into the HOF for that year.

**F.** At any time, the World Curling Federation will have the right to remove any person inducted into the HOF if the WCF deems that that person is not living or has not lived up to the highest level of sportsmanship, character and the spirit of curling.

**G. Confidentiality** – All discussions and documents of the Induction Committee shall remain confidential to the members of the IC.