

Ice Technician – Chester Curling Club

The Chester Curling Club is celebrating over 54 years of curling and has a current membership of approximately 175 junior and adult members. Our goal is to ensure the highest quality ice conditions for recreational curlers, competitive players, and our guests. We foster a welcoming and inclusive environment for curlers of all ages and skill levels. Leagues operate 5 days a week with weekend bonspiels being held approximately 6 times over the curling season.

Job Description:

The Chester Curling Club is looking for a skilled and motivated Ice Technician. This is a part-time position from approximately October 1 to the first weekend in April. You will generally work 12 to 15 hours each week to prepare and maintain four sheets of ice. There are approximately six scheduled bonspiels each season for which you will be paid in addition to your regular hours. You will manage ice installation, routine maintenance and end-of-season ice removal. You will set the standard for the volunteer team through such tasks as scraping, shaving, pebbling, and sweeping for the occasions when you are not present.

The Ice Technician will be responsible and answerable to the Club Board of Directors.

Responsibilities:

- Oversee all aspects of ice installation and removal, routine maintenance, and major ice maintenance tasks.
- Maintain ice quality and standards at all times, ensuring competitive curling conditions.
- Proactively monitor the performance of the ice and react when performance criteria are not being met.
- Flood ice as required through season, with a minimum of once per season and that being during the Christmas break. Two floods are desirable.
- Mentor a team of Club volunteers to assist with ice maintenance. Only trained volunteers, endorsed by you, will be permitted to assist with ice maintenance.
- Maintain a strong focus on safety for yourself and volunteers, ensuring that all volunteers are well-trained and adhere to best practice and safety protocols.
- Ensure all curling stones are maintained / textured, ensuring they are in excellent condition and ready for use.
- Maintain appropriate records and log of ice maintenance.
- Maintain all ice maintenance equipment and measuring devices in optimal condition.
- All ice surfaces used for league play will be scraped before use, and during bonspiels.
- Provide reports to the Board of Directors when requested.

- Be willing to attend Ice Technician courses and other professional development as suggested and paid for by the Board.
- Provide service to scheduled bonspiels in person or with a volunteer schedule.
- General upkeep within the ice shed and equipment.
- Prepare the ice shed for offseason.
- Maintain shoe cleaning equipment.
- Support the Club and Board in achieving its operational and strategic goals.

Facility Details:

- Painted concrete floor.
- Logo mats for rings and other advertisements.

Qualifications and Experience:

- Knowledge and direct work experience related to the installation and maintenance of curling ice.
- Completed Ice Technician course and certification (or willingness to complete) or equivalent experience.
- Knowledge and direct work experience of rock conditioning techniques.
- Standard First Aid (or willingness to complete).
- Ability to maintain competitive curling standards.
- Strong organizational skills and the ability to work independently.
- Clear and concise communication skills.
- Ability to work a flexible and variable schedule, including weekends. Hours of work will vary on demand.
- Positive attitude and a commitment to quality workmanship.
- Curling ice making experience, professional or volunteer.

Submission Requirements:

- A resume, outlining experience and qualifications.
- A plan for ice maintenance and quality control.
- A list of relevant certifications or training.
- References.
- RCMP Vulnerable Sector Check and Child Abuse Registry (or willingness to complete).

Schedule:

- Approximately 10 draws a week, some of which are completed by volunteers.

- Regular hours are Monday to Friday, weekends as required.
- Approximately 12 to 15 hours weekly, after ice install.
- Currently scheduled bonspiels:
 - Teazer Light U15: November 28 to 30, 2025.
 - Teazer Light U13: December 12 to 14, 2025.
 - Snowball bonspiel: February 13 and 14, 2026 (date to be confirmed).
 - Jolly Bowl bonspiel: March 7, 2026 (date to be confirmed).
 - Junior Funspiel: March 27 to 29, 2026.
 - Other bonspiels.
 - Ice rentals.

Pay / Benefits:

- \$22.50 / hour, negotiable.
- Scheduled bonspiels as income beyond hourly rate.
- Professional development, as approved by the Board.

Application Deadline:

June 30, 2025

To apply or request more information, please contact info@chestercurlingclub.ca, treasurer@chestercurlingclub.ca, president@chestercurlingclub.ca. Only applicants being considered will be contacted.