



# ONTARIO CURLING ASSOCIATION

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## [Notice: CurlON supports pending legislation Bill 193 - ROWAN's LAW](#)

With the pending introduction of **Bill 193, Rowan's Law (Concussion Safety), 2018** the Ontario Curling Association ("CurlON") wanted to express our full support for the rapid introduction of this important Bill.

The health and well-being of our sporting athletes is very important to CurlON, along with all of the Curling clubs and facilities in Ontario for the continued vibrancy and longevity of this great sport. Understanding the lasting effects of concussions and potential ramifications of early return to play is essential for all athletes, coaches, organizers, administrators and Boards and is a critical first step to embracing and ensuring that the established protocols are to be followed. The sport of curling in Ontario has already implemented many of the requirements in the Bill and I can assure you that we will endeavour to update our operating policies/standards to assure full compliance with Bill 193.

These policies and protocols will include:

- Athlete (parent if under 18 years), Coach, Organizers and Board review of concussion awareness resources;
- Concussion Code of Conduct;
- Removal from sport protocol after a concussion; and
- Return to sport protocol after a concussion with a specific process for return.

CurlON will continue to encourage all involved in sport to be aware of this important legislation and begin the process of adopting the policies and protocols, as they pertain to concussions and return to play for athletes.

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