



Sturgeon Falls Curling Club

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CURLING ETIQUETTE

The game of curling has always been noted for the prevalence of good sportsmanship among its members and the friendly, courteous rivalry that exists on the ice. It is also noted for having a minimum number of rules governing the conduct of its players. Most of the courtesies suggested below will not be found in the rulebook, yet they are practiced by all curlers who understand the true spirit and traditions of the game.

- Be on time for your game and be dressed to go on the ice.
- If you are unable to make it to your game, please notify your Skip 24 hours in advance. This allows the Skip to find a spare.
- If a team is unable to play, please notify the opposing team's Skip at least 1 hour in advance.
- Introduce yourself and shake hands with the opposing rink before the game begins & wish everyone 'good curling'.
- Be in the hack ready to play your shot when your turn starts.
- When a player is in the hack ready to deliver, try not to distract the player's concentration.
- Sweepers should be between the hog lines when the opposition delivers rocks.
- When you have finished sweeping your team's rock and you're walking back down the sheet, keep to the edge.
- At the conclusion of an end, all players should remain outside the rings until the thirds have agreed on the score.
- Don't be afraid to congratulate opposing players when they make a good shot and don't embarrass a player who has missed a shot.
- Shake hands with the opposing team after the game, even if they are old friends.
- After the game it is the winning team's third's responsibility to mark the win on the draw sheet.
- If people are having a sociable beverage after the game, it's considered good etiquette to sit with your opposition. Winning teams usually buy beverages for the opposition & then opponents may reciprocate.



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ICE ETIQUETTE

- Clean your shoes before going on the ice.
- Make sure shoes are curling shoes or indoor shoes.
- Clean brooms over garbage cans so dirt etc. does not fall onto the carpet.
- Don't put hands on the ice or kneel on ice.
- Leave cell phones on the shelf at the house end.
- Arrange rocks in order once the game is complete.

CURLERS' CODE OF ETHICS

- I will play the game with a spirit of good sportsmanship.
- I will conduct myself in an honorable manner both on and off the ice.
- I will never knowingly break a rule, but if I do, I will divulge the breach.
- I will take no action that could be interpreted as an attempt to intimidate or demean my opponents, teammates or officials.
- I will interpret the rules in an impartial manner, always keeping in mind that the purpose of the rules is to ensure that the game is played in an orderly and fair manner.
- I will humbly accept any penalty that the governing body at any level of curling deems appropriate, if I am found in violation of the Code of Ethics or rules of the game.