

Rules of Etiquette for Curling

- **1.** Shake hands with your opponents before the game and wish them "good curling"
- **2.** Nevers distract your opponent when he is in the hack preparing to deliver his rock. This includes being out of position, crossing the ice surface while he/she is in the hack, getting in the way of the sweepers, or causing a distraction of any kind.
- 3. POSITION OF PLAYERS: Delivering team

Skip: in the house holding the broom

<u>Sweepers</u>: on the sidelines, inside the hogline, ready to sweep

Thrower: in the hack, preparing to deliver

POSITION OF PLAYERS: Non-Delivering team

<u>Skip:</u> behind the house in a stationary position with his/her broom off the ice

<u>Sweepers:</u> in a single file, at the sidelines, and between the two hoglines

Opposition thrower: on the backboard and to the side of the ice standing quietly. Not standing beside the rocks

- 4. When moving rocks at the finish of an end, be sure to push them carefully so as to avoid other people's feet.
- 5. Remember to arrive in time, if you are late, you are holding up seven other people.
- 6. Be ready to throw when it's your turn, so you don't hold up the game.



- 7. Applaud good shots, whether by your team or the opposition. Never clap or applaud bad shots!
- 8. Ensure your footwear is clean before stepping on the ice.
- 9. Be ready to start sweeping as soon as your teammate releases the rock.

At the end of the game, win or lose, be ready to shake hands with your opposition and thank them for the game.

If you observe all these courtesies then you and all the curlers you play with will derive greater enjoyment out of the game. You will also represent your club well when playing at another club.