

Policies and Procedures

Subject: FAIR PLAY POLICY

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DEFINITIONS: RENFREW CURLING RINK "Club"

BOARD OF DIRECTORS "Board"

1. GENERAL:

All members have the right to enjoy our curling and Club in a safe and enjoyable manner. This policy is meant to communicate the Club's policy on fair play and good sportsmanship ensuring generous behavior, respect, and treatment of fellow participants.

Fair play begins with the strict observance of the written rule; however, in most cases, fair play involves something more than even unfailing observance of the written rule. The observance of the spirit of the rules, whether written or unwritten, is important. Fair Play results from measuring up to one's own moral standards while engaged in competition.

2. Policy:

Individual curler's Code of Conduct:

- Play the game with a spirit of good sportsmanship.
- Conduct oneself in an honorable manner both on and off the ice.
- Never knowingly break a rule, but if it happens divulge the breach.
- Take no action that could be interpreted as an attempt to intimidate or demean opponents, teammates, or officials.
- Show respect to coaches by listening, communicating, participating, focusing at practice and playing one's best in any game or competition.
- Bring any issues directly to the Drawmaster or Club President, so that they may resolve such issues and do not discuss issues with outside parties.
- 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.
- Humbly accept any penalty that the governing body at any level of curling deems appropriate, if found in violation of the Code of Ethics or rules of the game.
- Welcome and include all new curlers to our program; make them feel comfortable, help them learn the game and be a role model for them.



Some of the key items of proper curling etiquette are as follows:

- Shake hands with the opponents before and after each game.
- Opposing players will spin a coin at the start of the game to determine last stone advantage.
- When the opponents are preparing for delivery, stand to the side of the sheet, single file and between the hog lines. Move only after the stone has been released.
- When throwing next stand on the backboard, but remain quiet and out of sight of the opposition thrower.
- Only skips and thirds may stand behind the back line. They do not move or hold their brooms on the ice while the opposition is preparing to deliver a stone.
- Wear clean, appropriate footwear that will not damage the ice.
- Be ready to go when it's time to deliver a stone.
- At the conclusion of an end, all players remain outside the rings until the opposing thirds have agreed on the score.
- Avoid the use of glitter or any item that may fall from clothing onto the ice surface.

Parent's Code of Conduct

- Fair Play is a consistent demonstration of respect for officials, an acceptance of their decisions and a steadfast spirit of collaboration with them.
- Sportsmanlike behavior should be demonstrated both on and off the ice. This includes modesty in victory and composure in defeat.
- I will not force my child to participate in curling.
- I will remember that my child curls for their enjoyment, not mine.
- I will encourage my child to play by the rules and resolve conflict without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning so that my child will never feel defeated by the score of the game.
- I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly, for trying hard and/or for at least making a good shot sometime in the game.
- I will never ridicule or yell at any child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- l will remember that children learn best by example, I will: applaud good plays and performance by both teams.
- I will never question the officials' judgment or honesty in public.
- I will support all efforts to remove verbal abuse from curling games.
- I will respect and show appreciation for all the volunteers that contribute to each team so that my child has an opportunity to curl.