



Appendix I I

Etiquette



The Spirit of the Game

Curling is a game of skill and traditions. A shot well played is a delight to see as is a game played in the true spirit of curling. Curlers play to win but never to humble their opponents. Curling has always relied on the common sense, honesty and the good manners of the players and a sporting approach to the game.

Consideration for Other Curlers

- Do not disturb a player in the hack; remain quiet and outwith his / her line of vision
- When your opposition is playing, stand at the side of the rink, between the hog lines
- Never cross the ice in front of a running stone
- Only skips and acting skips should be in the house at any time and they should keep their brushes hidden when the opposition is playing
- At the conclusion of an end, only the acting skips should be in the house until a score is agreed

Pace of Play

- Be ready to start when the bell rings; don't be late!
- Ensure you are at the hack when it is your turn to play
- Place the skip's stone at the hack ready for him / her to play
- Keep play at a good pace and make decisions in a reasonable time; delays result in shortened games

Care of the Ice

- Ensure you are wearing clean footwear before stepping onto the ice
- Body heat melts the ice; keep your hand and knee contact with the ice to a minimum
- Stop stones from colliding with the rink edges and the hack as it can cause damage
- Avoid banging your brush on the ice; it can cause cracking or chipping

General

- If you are unable to play, ensure a substitute is arranged
- Switch off your mobile phone before play
- Compliment good shots and refrain from passing adverse remarks about poor shots
- Keep your scorecard updated throughout the game (responsibility of the second player)
- At the conclusion of the game, shake hands with each of your opponents and if you have won, offer your direct opponent a drink