

# Curling Canada Rules

## 8. Delivery

- (1) The delivery of a stone by the right hand shall be initiated from the hack located to the left of the centre line. The delivery of a stone by the left hand shall be initiated from the hack located to the right of the centre line.
- (2) If a single, moveable hack is in use, the delivery of a stone by the right hand or the left hand may be initiated from a hack located on the centre line.
- (3) The delivery and release of a curling stone are intended to occur in a reasonably straight line from the hack towards the target broom.
- (4) (a) A player, whose team is in control of the house, is in the process of delivery from the time the player is positioned in the hack until the stone is released.  
  
(b) A player shall only commence a forward progression from the hack with a stone after the previously delivered stone and any stones set in motion have come to rest or have crossed the back line and their team is in control of the house.
- (5) The stone shall be released before it reaches the hog line at the delivering end.

## 19. Curling With A Delivery Stick

- (1) The use of a curling aid commonly referred to as a “delivery stick”, which enables the player to deliver a stone without placing a hand on the stone handle, is considered acceptable.
- (2) The use of a delivery stick is not allowed in events leading to Curling Canada championships. Exception: wheelchair curling.
- (3) If a player starts a game with a delivery stick, then that player shall use a delivery stick throughout that game.
- (4) A player may not alternate delivery from the traditional hand delivery to a delivery stick or vice-versa.
- (5) If delivery begins from the hack, then players using the delivery stick must adhere to Rule 8(1) and 8(2) and, stones must be delivered along a straight line from the hack to the intended target broom.
- (6) The delivery may also begin anywhere along the centre line with a portion of the stone touching the centre line prior to the delivery. The stone must be delivered along a straight line from this position on the centre line to the intended target broom.
- (7) A stone delivered with a delivery stick must be released before it reaches the hog line at the delivering end. Rule 8(5).
- (8) All other delivery rules apply.

## 20. Canadian Stick Curling Association (CSCA) Rules

(1) The CSCA applies the Rules of Curling for General Play, as approved by Curling Canada with the following exceptions:

(a) Each team is comprised of two (2) players regardless of gender.

(b) One (1) member of each team stays at each end of the rink, and must not cross centre ice (except as provided for in 20(1)(j)).

(c) The two (2) delivering curlers alternately deliver six (6) stones each per end, while their teammates skip that end. Then the roles are reversed. All games are six (6) ends.

(d) Each stone must be delivered with a delivery stick, from a standing or sitting (in a wheelchair) position.

(e) A stone is in play when it reaches the hog line at the delivering end.

(f) A stone that has not reached the hog line at the delivering end may be returned to the player and redelivered. The player will redeliver the same called shot and ice.

(g) Sweeping/brushing is not allowed between the hog lines.

(h) The first three (3) stones delivered in any end may not be removed from play before delivery of the fourth stone of that end. When a stone(s) is removed from play prior to the fourth stone of the end, directly or indirectly and without exception, the delivered stone is removed from play and any other displaced stones replaced as close as possible to their original position(s).

(i) Each team may call a maximum of two (2) ninety (90) second time-outs (and meet at centre ice) during a game. During any extra end, one (1) ninety (90) second time-out per team is allowed. Whenever a time-out is called, the opposing team may consult near centre ice at the same time.

(j) In case of a tie, an extra end is played, with each player delivering three (3) stones. The curlers then exchange roles at the mid-point of an extra end to complete the end.