

## Doubles Curling How to Play

- Doubles curling is scored the same as normal curling.
- It is only played with 2 players
- You can sweep your own rock
- There are 2 positioned stones placed at the beginning of each end.
- The team with hammer will start the end with their #6 stone at the back of the four foot circle. The team without last stone advantage will start with their #6 stone as a centre guard on the mark provided.
- The #6 stones are marked with tape on the handle.
- You only throw 5 rocks per team per end. The maximum amount of points in each end is 6.
- No stone in play can be removed from play (including the positioned stones and your own stones) prior to the 4<sup>th</sup> stone being thrown.
- If an end is blanked (neither team scores), the team that delivered the first stone in that end shall have the decision on placement in the next end.
- The same person has to throw the 1<sup>st</sup> stone & the 5<sup>th</sup> stone and the other throws 2, 3 & 4.
- Once per game, each team can use the “Power Play” option to position the pre-placed stones out to the side, but you can only do this when you have hammer.
- Power play is when the in-house stone, which belongs to the team with last stone in that end, is placed with the back edge of the stone on the front edge of the tee line, and half the stone in the 8-foot and half in the 12 foot. The guard stone is positioned to the side of the sheet, so it would be bisected by a direct line between the middle of the in-house stone to the middle of the hack. There are marks on the ice for guard stones.
- The #7 and #8 stones are not used in the Mixed Doubles game; they can be left at the home end. Please use the paper rolls provided to slip over the handles to mark these stones so they are not inadvertently delivered during a game.

Example of marking #7 & #8 Stones so they are not inadvertently used in a game.



### Diagrams of Pre-position stone placement

When utilizing your power play, it is your choice which side of the sheet you would like to move the pre-positioned stone to.

