

## **October 16 2020 COVID Protocol Update**

As we end our second week of curling, the Board of Directors would like to extend our sincere thanks to each of you for your attention and diligence. It is indeed a new game, but it seems like we're still all having fun!

Our priority remains safety, followed closely by continuing to enjoy the game. To that end, we are changing the protocol to make sure that 6 feet/2M can be maintained.

There are two items that need to be addressed based upon the number of comments that we have received from members. They involve the question of sweeping and the wearing of masks.

### **Sweeping – effective immediately**

There will be one sweeper per rock. You can sweep until all rocks come to a stop. No sweeping by either skip/vice at any time. Idle skip stands on the back board. Throwing team skip/vice and the sweeper must maintain physical distance.

### **Masks on ice**

There have been a few requests to require masks on ice. We appreciate that fogging of eyeglasses is a concern. We also know that masks become saturated before the end of the game. We suggest bringing more than one so you can change them up.

The Board of Directors realizes that there are strong opinions on both sides of this issue and are carefully considering the appropriate course of action. We will be meeting on October 26 to review the entire protocol as well as this matter, and will advise the results of those discussions immediately afterwards. Please be patient as we work through the process.

Any other concerns or suggestions?

Please send any comments you have on the Return to Curl Protocols to me at [craigkerr97@msn.com](mailto:craigkerr97@msn.com). Thanks again for your continued support and cooperation!

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