



# Fort Garry Curling Club Inc.

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## 2020-21 FGCC Covid-19 Rules and Guidelines

Dear Members and Staff,

Your Fort Garry Executive has been working hard to stay on top of recently released Curling Return to Play guidelines as outlined by both Curl Canada and Curl Manitoba, as well as provincial public health orders and precautions.

The Fort Garry Executive has formed a working group to keep in close touch with the pandemic developments and is working hard to adjust precautions or actions accordingly.

Club executive members have reviewed several Curl Canada, Curl Manitoba pandemic documents and have participated in various online Return to Play webinars as well as sought out sanitizing and protective supplies. We have been in discussions with our icemaker, bar staff and kitchen contractor to ensure that we are all on the same page in terms of providing a healthy and safe environment. We are all members just like all of you and we are all in this together for a successful albeit slightly modified season.

Below are the modified rules and guidelines to be followed for both on ice and off ice conduct.

### **ON ICE PRECAUTIONS:**

- No hand shakes before or after the game.
- No coin flips, instead use another method like “rock, paper, scissors” or an online tool on your phone: <https://justflipacoin.com/>
- Modified scoreboard. One person to mark score, all numbers are sanitized before the draw.
- Following Curl Canada guidelines, only 1 sweeper will be allowed to follow the delivered rock with skips in the house maintaining physical distancing from that sweeper. The person in charge of the house is not allowed to sweep under any circumstance. The skip of the non-delivering team must remain in the hack area until all stones come to rest. They are not allowed to sweep the opposition stone behind the tee-line.
- Players stay on the same side of the sheet. For example, if you are playing on sheet 2, always walk or position yourself on the sideline to sheet 1. This will keep players 10 feet apart. Essentially, non-delivering team to keep distance from delivering players. All on-ice participants to maintain 6ft of distancing from one another as much as possible.
- Water fountain will be taken out of service.
- Ice shed doors will be sanitized prior to each draw. Sheets 1-3 use East ice shed door. Sheets 4-6 use West ice shed door.
- Hand sanitizer will be provided on each sheet at the home end.
- Rock handles will be sanitized prior to each draw by ice maker.



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## **OFF ICE PRECAUTIONS:**

- Thorough clean of club by our cleaning company will be done daily.
- Masks will be mandatory when moving about facility when not on ice or at clubroom tables with fellow team mates. Masks will be available for \$1 at both the restaurant or bar area, however, it is preferred if members bring their own.
- Plexiglass shields installed at the cafe and bar counters
- Hand sanitizers throughout the facility at strategic locations.
- Tables in clubroom and downstairs viewing area distanced at 6 feet. Not to be moved by members for any reason.
- Maximum of 6 people per table in upstairs clubroom.
- Maximum of 4 people per table in lower viewing area.
- Table service provided by serving staff. No service at bar, only payments.
- Placement of Covid 19 best practice guideline posters throughout the club.
- Maintain physical distancing in locker rooms with masks.
- All non-members (visitors/contractors) required to sign in at entrance for Covid contact tracing as per Public health requirements.
- Club serving staff will be provided with PPE masks and face shields as requested.
- Debit or credit card payments are preferred versus cash.

Your Executive recognizes that this pandemic situation is very fluid. We will keep a close eye on Manitoba public health orders/guidelines as well as recommendations from our provincial and national curling bodies. You have our assurance that Club Executive members will do everything we can to provide you with as safe a curling and socializing experience while at your club.

We need everyone's cooperation to make this year a success. Please remember that you, the members and staff, are part of the bigger Fort Garry Curling Club family. We want our club to continue to thrive and make it through this pandemic. Each of you can do this with respect for one another by following the new rules and guidelines. We simply cannot succeed without your cooperation.

We also welcome your input and suggestions. Please feel free to contact one of us at any time or drop us an email at [fgcc01@mymts.net](mailto:fgcc01@mymts.net).

Regards,  
FGCC Executive