Rules of Mixed Doubles Play at Lunenburg Curling Club

(notes in *Italics* are Lunenburg specific)

- 1. A team is composed of two players. One substitute may be used per league game otherwise forfeit.
- 2. The scoring shall be the same as in a regular game of curling **AND t**he "positioned" stones that are placed before the beginning of each end are eligible to be counted in the scoring.
- 4. Each game will be scheduled for six (6) ends.
- 5. Each team shall deliver five (5) stones per end. The player delivering the team's first stone of the end must also deliver the team's last stone of that end. The other team member shall deliver the team's second, third and fourth stones for that end. **Note this is tricky and easy to forget.**
- 6. If a player delivers a stone out of proper rotation, that stone is returned to the hack to be delivered by the correct player, after any displaced stones have been replaced to their original positions by the non-offending team. Should the infraction not be discovered until after the delivery of a subsequent stone, play continues as if the infraction had not occurred.
- 7. A team may choose to change the player delivering the first stone from end to end.
- 8. Modified FGZ No stone in play, including the "positioned" stones and those in the house, can be moved to an out-of-play position prior to the **delivery of the fourth stone** of an end (the fourth **delivered stone** is the first stone that can remove any stone from play). If there is a violation, the delivered stone shall be removed from play, and any displaced stone(s) shall be replaced to their original position by the non-offending team.

FGZ applies to all rocks prior to the fourth delivered stone. The positioned stones are not "delivered" so Team 1 player 1 throws, Team 2 player 1 throws, team 1 player 2 throws then team 2 player 2 may throw a takeout if appropriate. If you take your own stone out – it is replaced and the thrown stone is taken out of play.

8. While the team is in the process of delivery, the non-delivering player must be positioned inside the hogline, with at least one foot on the ice surface at the playing end of the team's sheet, OR, in a position on the team's sheet to sweep the delivered stone. After delivery, either or both players may sweep their delivered stone and any stones set in motion that belong to their team anywhere in front of the teeline at the playing end. This applies during all of the team's delivered stones, including the Last Stone Draws.

You can hold the broom (and if you do you need to have at least one foot behind the hogline at the house end of the sheet) OR you can stay at the delivery end and sweep as normal. If you held the broom you can come forward and sweep your rock, if you threw the rock you can get up and sweep your own rock.

- 9. The A position Rock will be placed so that the back edge of the rock touches the forward edge of the "A" marker.
- 10. Position of stationary stones Prior to the start of every end, the team with the choice (or hammer) shall place their team's stationary stone, and their opponent's stationary stone, in either position "A" or "B": The Position "A" stone is placed bisecting the centre line, midway between the hog line and the

front of the house. • The Position "B" stone is placed so it bisects the centre line and the back edge of the stone is in alignment with the back edge of the four foot. If they choose to place their stone 'out front', they shall deliver first stones in the end. Therefore, should they choose to be behind the button, they shall have last stone in the end. The team not scoring in the previous end, shall have the 'choice' in the next end. If the end is blanked, the choice shall change to the team that delivered first in the blanked end.

If you put your rock out front in the "A" position so it is a guard, then you deliver the first rock of that end. If you put your rock at the back of the 4 foot, then you have the hammer.

The team that didn't score gets to make the choice of rock placement.

If there is a blank end the decision or choice is given to the team that did not have last rock in that end. The choice is switched.

Note: We will not play the Powerplay rule.

IF you watch some of the youtube videos, you might see different positions for the "B" rock – there have been rule changes and the position we will use is the correct one today.