

Spares in Club Play

Policy Statement: When teams experience vacancies during league and playoff play, it is desirable to fill them with spares.

Policy Objective: The objective of this policy is to provide guidance on how spare players may be utilized to fill vacancies during round robin league play and league playoffs in all scheduled TCC leagues (Stick League and Evening Leagues).

Policy Directives:

- This policy applies to scheduled league play in Stick League and Evening Leagues.
- All TCC members in good standing are eligible to spare, with the following exceptions:
 - Social Members are not eligible to spare.
 - During the regular season,
 - Spares may spare in the vacant position(s) or in any position that precedes the vacancy(ies).
 - Four person teams may not use more than two (2) spares per game.
 - Two person teams may not use more than one (1) spare per game.
 - During the playoffs,
 - Teams may only use one (1) spare, and they must play in the lead position.
 - A person is allowed to spare for a team in their division if their team is eliminated from the playoffs. This person must play in the lead position.
- Prospective members and visitors to the Club, as defined in the Club by-laws, may be permitted to spare no more than three (3) times per curling season and only in regular season league play. A fee (\$15) shall apply and is payable prior to the start of play.
- Junior Members and Student Members must be a minimum age of 16 years of age to spare in league play unless approved by the Junior and Curling Committees.
- Skips will be responsible for confirming that anyone sparing on their team is eligible to do so.
- Teams using ineligible spares will forfeit their game. Objections should be addressed as soon as they are noted but no later than the time of recording the final score on the website. If the two skips cannot agree on a resolution, then the matter will be referred to the Chair of the Curling Committee for a final ruling.

Accountability: All members are accountable for sparing within the rules. Players are encouraged to utilize spares from the online spare list. All Members that would like to spare are encouraged to sign up on the online spare list.

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