

## **Agriculture Curling at Shamrock**

**1. The League:** Agriculture Curling now plays at **Shamrock Curling Club** at **9330-80 Ave.** Started in 1958 at the Balmoral Curling Club, this league moved to Saville Sports Centre when it opened in 2003 and is now at Shamrock effective 2023. Originally teams were colleagues from Alberta Agriculture, Agriculture Canada and Alberta Forestry. Now this league is open to men and women from all over the Edmonton Region.

**2. Play for 2023-24:** Now 16 teams, we will play a round robin of 15 games plus 4 playoff games in Pools A (5 teams), B (5 teams) & C (6 teams). **The schedule and ongoing standings** will be posted on the scoreboard (near Drift window) and at the website. Games will start promptly at **9:30AM** on scheduled Saturdays (and 1 Sunday) and will be maximum **8 ends**. A **buzzer** will sound at **11:15AM**. Teams not finished their game may complete the end in play plus 1 more end. **Ends are deemed concluded when the score for that end is agreed.** The **5-rock free guard zone** applies. **Brooms or sticks** are welcome.

Unless otherwise noted, Curling Canada's **Rules of Curling for General Play 2022-26** will apply.

**3. Teams & substitutions:** Teams can be 4 or 5 players. To complete a game, at least **3 players** for each team must be present including at least **2 registered team players**. Up to two substitutes can be used. Teams unable to assemble at least 3 players and unable to arrange a make-up game (which **may** be possible at Shamrock) will forfeit that game. If your team is unable to play, please inform the skip of the other team. Players available can practice or have a fun game.

**Regular league games:** substitutes can play any position except skip; nor can they throw 4<sup>th</sup> stones.

**Playoff games:** a substitute must play lead; 2 substitutes must play lead & second.

**Spares list:** Shamrock will provide.

**4. Courtesy during play:** After your team makes a shot, please leave the hack area and stand outside the hog line. **Do NOT talk loudly** or **obstruct** the other team delivering rocks.

**5. Scoring:** A **win** results in **3 points**. A **loss** results in **0** points. In a **tie game**, each team throws one swept rock. Closest to the pin gets **2 points**; the other team gets **1 point**.

**6. Posting scores:** The third from the **winning team** will register this on the score sheet under the score board. Shamrock staff will update and post aggregate results on the score board and at the website.

**7. Doubles board:** Team with the doubles board at buzzer sounding wins a pitcher of beer (or equivalent).

**8. Courtesy to the house:** **Remove outdoor footwear at the door** and store it in the **boot racks** or **coveys** around the corner. Use coat racks at each end and in the change rooms. Bring only **purses, small gear bags, keys & phones** to ice level. **Use hooks provided.** **Alcohol** is allowed **ONLY** on the second level.