

## THE VICE (or THIRD)

The vice must be able to hit the broom, make either draw or take-out, and be able to call sweeping (read the ice) on the skip's stone.

### Skills:

- Have a good delivery.
- Hit the broom.
- Call sweeping (Don't be shy!).
- Be able to adjust weight to make a draw or take-out.
- Learn the strategy of the game.
- Have a good sweeping technique.

### Rules & Etiquette:

- Stand behind the house only when it is your turn to throw the stone or when you will be acting skip.
  - You can sweep your team's rock to (but not past) the opposite tee line.
  - You may sweep past the tee only when you are acting skip.
  - Stand still at the side of your sheet while the opposing team is throwing their stones so as not to obstruct their view of the skip's broom or distract them.
  - If you touch the stone with your broom while sweeping (or anytime you touch a stone), you must call foul.
  - The vice-skip takes charge of the house when the skip throws his or her stones.
  - Do not block the opposing skip, or acting skip, from sweeping behind the tee. He or she has priority on opposing team's rocks, but can't keep you from sweeping if he or she decides not to.
  - When in the house, keep still while the opposing team throws their rocks. For the best view of the ice, stand behind the opposing skip or ice. This way you will see how much the rocks are curling. Watching the ice throughout the game makes sweeping calls easier.
  - You call sweep on the skip's rocks - you have the best view of the house. Help newer curlers understand the skip's call & rules.
  - Traditionally, you will sweep the lead's & second's rocks.
  - Traditionally, you will throw the third set of stones.
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