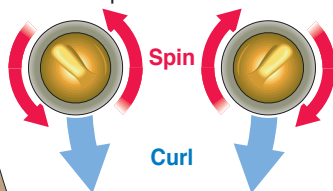


Curling

CURLING THE STONE

Low rotation rate – only 3-4 revolutions
– creates powerful effect on curl



Path of stone curves due to greater resistance to spin on side opposing direction of motion

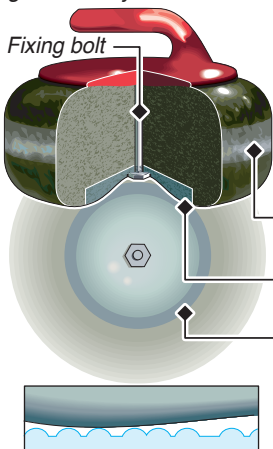
Curl increases as stone slows



Thrower: Each player throws in turn – must release stone before “hog line”

Sweepers
Brush ice in front of stone to assist hydroplaning and control its path

STONE: 17-20kg. *Ailsa Craig Common Green* granite body



Skip: Except when throwing, controls strategy e.g. “taking out” opponent’s stone

Unpolished **strikeband** absorbs collision impact

Ailsa Craig Blue Hone insert

12.5mm wide running edge

“Ice pebbling” – stone glides on frozen water droplets

Tee House

Point scored for each stone in house closer to tee than opponent’s best stone