

VITERRA
National Championship March 1-10, 2024
Brandt Centre
Regina, SK

NEW RULE 2023-2024 SEASON
NO-TICK SHOT

If, prior to the delivery of the sixth stone of an end, a delivered stone causes, either directly or indirectly, an opposition stone in the Free Guard Zone (FGZ) which is touching the centre line to be moved to an off-centre line position or to a position outside the FGZ, the non-offending team has the option to:

- (i) remove the delivered stone from play, and replace all stones that were displaced to their positions prior to the violation taking place; or
- (ii) leave all stones where they came to rest.

The Rule does not apply to Mixed Doubles or Wheelchair.

LOCATION

Veteran's Memorial Sportsplex
February 6-11, 2024

EVENT CONTACT INFORMATION

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ACCOMODATIONS

Canad Inns Garden City
2100 McPhillips Street, 204-633-0024
Group #545534, \$139/night

BANQUET

Stonewall Legion – 459 Main Street
Cocktails 6pm, Dinner 6:30pm
Fifth players will have to purchase a ticket for \$25
To purchase a ticket for your fifth player:
<https://stonewall.curling.io/en/products/NVGDCAwftso>

EVENT TICKETS

Event Pass - \$150 (early bird \$125 until Dec. 31)
Day Pass - \$50
Draw Pass - \$20

REGISTRATION & EQUIPMENT CHECK Will take place prior to practice on Tuesday, Feb. 6

OPENING CEREMONIES

Wednesday, February 7 at 7pm

Please be in curling attire and lined between 6:30-6:45pm

FIFTH/REPLACEMENT PLAYERS

The deadline date for naming a replacement player, a fifth player and a coach is January 30, 2024 NOON.

FORMAT

Thirty-Two Team Modified Knock Out:

The Viterra Provincial Championship shall be a thirty-two team modified double knockout draw. Eight teams will advance to a semi modified double knockout qualifying round with four teams advancing to the Championship page playoff round.

Games will be 10 ends.

The draw and pre-event practice will be provided at the press conference.

Pre-game practice will be 9 minutes.

Time outs will be 90 seconds from the time they are called.

LAST STONE DRAW

1. Both teams will name the player delivering the stone before the first team's practice.
2. After each team's pre-game practice, the named player will deliver one stone to the button, which will be measured.

SEEDING

Seeding will be sent out by CurlManitoba with a due date.

For the Provincial Championship, all thirty-two teams will be ranked and seeded into the standard draw format (#1 vs #32, #2 vs #31, #3 vs #30, etc).

If less than 25% of teams participate in the self-seeding process, teams will be placed in the draw using a random generator program.

TEAM MEETING

A mandatory team meeting will be held immediately following the pre-event practice February 6th at 5:15pm in the upstairs lounge at the curling club.

PAT SPIRING AWARD

The award is presented annually to a Viterra Championship competitor who exemplifies on-ice curling ability, competitive spirit, love of the game, and respect for the traditions and spirit of the sport of curling. Your nomination may include your season long observations as well as your observations at the 2024 Viterra Championship.

STONE SELECTION

GAME	LAST STONE	STONE SELECTION
32 team Games	Last stone draw (any player) Coin toss will occur a minimum of 35 minutes prior to the game time	Coin toss for colour or 1 st /2 nd practice
8 Team Games Final Eight	Loss records will be compared, the team with the better loss record will have choice of Last Stone Advantage OR Colour If the teams loss records are tied a coin toss will occur for choice of practice OR colour A LSD will determine the last stone advantage	No stone selection The stone on the assigned game sheet shall be used
Playoff 1 vs 2 3 vs 4	Loss records will be compared, the team with the better loss record will have choice of Last Stone Advantage OR colour If the teams loss records are tied, a coin toss will occur for choice of practice OR colour and a LSD will occur The coin toss will occur a minimum of one hour prior to the game time	1 vs 2 game will select stones from sheet C and B. Stone can be chosen from sheet E in even years The game will be played on Sheet C 3 vs 4 game will select stones from sheets A and D. Stone can be chosen from sheet E in odd years The game will be played on sheet D Handles will not be changed
Semi-Final in page playoff systems	Loss records will be compared, if the runner up of the 1 vs 2 game has a better loss record the team will be given Last Stone Advantage AND colour If the runner up from the 1 vs 2 game has the same or worse loss record than the winner of the 3 vs 4 game, the runner up of the 1 vs 2 game will have choice of Last Stone Advantage OR Colour	Stones of a team's colour may be selected from any sheet and need not be full sets Handles will not be changed
Final in page playoff	Loss records will be compared, if the winner of the 1 vs 2 game has a better loss record the team will be given Last Stone Advantage AND colour If the winner of the 1 vs 2 game has the same loss record the winner of the 1 vs 2 game will be given the choice of Last Stone Advantage OR colour A coin toss will occur for colour	Stones of a team's colour may be selected from any sheet and need not be full sets. Handles will not be changed.

If a team chooses colour instead of last stone, the other team then has the choice of last stone and first practice, or no last stone and second practice.

NOTE: Minimum of 5 ends