

# **RULES OF RICOCHET 2023 EDITION**

## **SUMMARY OF MAJOR CHANGES**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Change to paragraph 2 “Ricochet can be played as a 26 point game over 2 or more hours, 18 point game over 1½ hours, or 14 point game over 1¼ hours”.

The object of the game has been modified.

### **RULE 7 – RUNNING HOOPS**

New rule 7 h) added which is a direct take from the golf rule. “If a determination of whether a ball has completed running a hoop in accordance with Rule 7c) concludes that, within the limits of observation, the ball is on the borderline between protruding out of the jaws of the hoop on the playing side and not doing so, the decision is that the ball has completed running the hoop and scored the point.”

### **RULE 10 – TWO CONTINUATION SHOTS AFTER A ROQUET**

Rule 10 d) clarified roquet and hoop in same turn. ‘If the strikers ball roquets a ball and then runs its hoop in order in the same stroke, the striker is entitled to only one continuation stroke.

### **RESTORATION OF TIME**

Restoration of time A Errors “Time is not restored following the discovery of an error whether before or after the first stroke of the opponent’s next turn” moved rule 14d

Restoration of time B Interference deleted.

### **RULE 14 – ERRORS**

Rule 14d) *added Restoration of time A*

### **RULE 18 MISPLACED CLIPS AND MISLEADING INFORMATION**

Wording changed **before the end of the game** to before the “**end of the players turn**”.

### **RULE 21 - INTERFERENCE**

rule 21 a) added “as agreed by both players or teams”

rule 21 b) added “as agreed by both players or teams”

rule 21 e) added “as agreed by both players or teams”

Old rule rule 21 f) Misleading Information moved to Miscellaneous rules.

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### **RULE 22 – END OF GAME**

Added c) When a game is time-limited, the players should arrange for an independent person or, failing that, one of themselves to be responsible for announcing audibly that the time limit has been reached.'

Rule 22 - Turns after time - rehash of the existing rule.

Rule 22 - Stop on the bell. Amended to read," then the striker completes their turn" replacing "then play continues."

### **RULE 23 – VARIATIONS OF THE GAME**

Added "refer to Appendix 2 for bisques for shortened games".

### **RULE 25 QUESTIONABLE STROKES**

Rule 25 b) Expedition of Play moved to rule 26.

### **RULE 26 MISCELLANEOUS RULES**

rule 26d) Expedition of Play added and expanded to include a penalty.

rule 26e) New home for Misleading Information

new rule 26f) Loose Impediments

new rule 26g) Natural Forces

### **RULE 27 SPECIAL RULES**

new rule 27e) Addressing the Issue of time wasting.

### **APPENDIX 1**

Competition games change from "should be no less than two hours "to can be 26,18,14 point game

### **THE RICOCHET HANDICAP CARD**

Changed from "only games of two hours to be recorded on the handicap card "to "Only competition games can be recorded on the Handicap card."

### **APPENDIX 2**

Guidelines for Ricochet handicapping has been deleted. A new handicapping document will be prepared and distributed to the States for comment and adoption.

Appendix 2 is now A Schedule of Bisques in shortened games

### **APPENDIX 3**

"Ricochet event notices should include" and "Deciding the Winner of a Block" have been deleted as considered not applicable to a rules book and more appropriate to Ricochet Tournament regulations.

### **GLOSSARY**

Glossary now includes terms not previously included.

