

RULES OF RICOCHET AUGUST 2019 EDITION

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CHANGES

MAJOR CHANGES

The second edition of the Ricochet Rules book has a new numbering system which aligns the rule numbers to that used in the AC and GC rule books

e.g Rule 21 21.1 and 21.1.1 21.1.1.2

The actual rule numbers have changed slightly in that Rules 1-13 remain unchanged. The Peg Out Rover Ball rule has been assigned its own Rule 14.

This meant that the previous rules 14-28 have been increased by one number eg Faults were rule 20 but is now rule 21.

The major changes listed here relate to the new rule book, a copy is available on the ACA website.

Page 2 – Introduction changed “Ricochet can be played as a 26 point game over 2 or more hours, 18 point game over 1 ½ hours, or 14 point game over 1 ¼ hours.

Page 2 - The object of the game has been slightly modified.

Rule 7.8 (was 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 7.3 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 10.4 (was 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 A “Time is not restored following the discovery of an error whether before or after the first stroke of the opponent’s next turn” moved to 15.4

Restoration of time B deleted as made no sense.

Rule 19 (was rule 18) changed before the end of the game to before the “end of the players turn”.

Rule 22.1 (was rule 21 a) interference added “as agreed by both players or teams”

Rule 22.2 (was rule 21 b) Interference added “as agreed by both players or teams”

Rule 22.3 (was 21 c) Interference added “as agreed by both players or teams”

Rule 22.5 (was 21 e) Interference added “as agreed by both players or teams

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Old rule rule 21 f) Misleading Information moved to Miscellaneous Rule 27.5

Rule 23.3 (was rule 22) added 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 23.4 (rule 22 d) Turns after time is a rehash of the existing rule

Rule 23.5 (was rule 24 e) Stop on the bell. Amended to read ,” then the striker completes their turn” replacing “then play continues.”

Rule 24.3 (was rule 23) Variations to the game added “refer to Appendix 2 for bisques for shortened games.

Rule 27.4 (was rule 26 b) Expedition of Play and expanded to include a penalty.

Rule 27.5 New home for Misleading Information

Rule 27.6 New rule - Loose Impediments

Rule 27.7 – new rule - Natural Forces

Rule 28.5 – new rule - 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 games

The Ricochet Handicap Card changed from only games of two hours to be recorded on the handicap card to “Only singles competition games can be recorded by a players handicap card.”

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 Now schedule of bisques in shortened games. The old Appendix 2 has been deleted and will be included in new handicapping document to be prepared.

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 includes terms not previously included.

