The ROG User Manual

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Quick Overview

The **ROG** (pronounced "Rodge") is the <u>Ultimate</u> Curling Stopwatch! It is the <u>only</u> curling stopwatch that:

- is programmable;
- translates initial split times into curling weight zones;
- has a display more than twice the size of a standard stopwatch;
- takes into consideration different deliveries and releases of team members;
- has an adjustment feature for changing ice conditions;
- immediately predicts the final resting place of a curling rock;
- instantaneously relays how aggressively the rock must be swept;
- can be used as a tremendous practice tool; and
- offers technical support and upgrades based on your feedback.



Quick Overview

The ingenuity behind The ROG is its Red Orange Green Electronic Relay System









The **ROG** translates backline-to-hogline split times into curling weight zones.



Game Settings – First End

The **ROG** is initialized with preset default split times based on a backline-to-hogline time interval. The default for Zone 7 (tee-line) has been set at 3.70 seconds.

1 Launch The **ROG** App and then touch Game Settings for your team.

2 Touch Ice Change and scroll up or down to the split time best reflecting 1st end ice conditions for the club (If you have hammer you may be able to time the opposition's 1st rock to obtain a more accurate split).

Touch Set followed by Save and you will return to the Main Menu.

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All other zones will be automatically adjusted based on the change you made to Zone 7. These new split times will be in effect until you make another ice change, for example, when ice conditions return to normal.

| | Cancel Setting | Save | Cancel | Settings | Save |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------|
| CUBLING'S LITIMATE STOPWATCH. | Ice Change | | Zone | 7 Split (Tee-Line) | h |
| | Zone 7 (Tee-Line | e) 3.70 _{sec} > | 3.60 | _ | |
| | Button Layout | | 3.65 | | |
| | Broom | OFF | 3.70 | | |
| | Precision | | 3.75 | | |
| | Red Light | -0.05 | 3.80 | _ | |
| Start Game | | | _ | Set | _ |
| View Split Times | | +0.05 | Green Li | ght Q | .05 |
| | You can set your own spl | it-time precision to | You can set vo | our own solit-time pred | 3 |
| Game Settings | Reset Defa | ults | | Reset Defaults | |







If you do not wish to change any of the Game Settings simply touch Start Game. The **ROG** will remember your settings from the last time you entered them and they will remain in effect until you decide to make a change.

The Shot Selection Mode screen below will appear and the Default split time for Zone 7 will be 3.70 seconds if you have not made any prior changes.

In Shot Selection Mode the default is Zone 7 and Rock 1 of the end. Scroll to the Zone required to make the called shot.

At any time you may advance to whatever rock you choose. For example, should you miss timing one of your rocks simply advance to the rock currently being thrown. The Rock # is immaterial if all of your members have the same deliveries and releases (more on that later). You will be given the option of timing the opposition's rock as well without affecting the Rock Counter.



Assume the skip calls for a come-around to top button (Zone 7) for the lead's 1st rock. Upon delivery the timer touches Start at backline, Split at near hogline, Split at far hogline, and Stop when the rock comes to rest.

At the near hog the split time shows 3.70 sec which is perfect so the Orange light comes on indicating Observe. The weight is very close and requires sweeping with caution.

Instantaneously the Weight Zone 7 appears and the team calls out Zone 7 to the Skip. The timer touches Split at the far hogline (optional) and Stop when the rock comes to rest.

The screen then displays the Zone requested, a graphic of where the rock came to rest and a summary displaying the split time, the hog-to-hog time and the running time. Touch the Next or Forward button to advance to the next Rock # for your team. Alternatively, should you wish to time the opposition's rock touch Reset. The correct Rock # will automatically appear for the shot being thrown.



Same scenario but the lead's 1st rock is <u>unintentionally thrown heavy</u>:

At the near hog the Split time shows 3.54 sec which is heavy so the Red Light comes up indicating Right Off !!

Instantaneously the Weight Zone 10 appears and the team acknowledges Zone 10 to the Skip giving him information to possibly call a Plan B shot.



Zone 7 called for



Split at Near Hog



Weight Heavy



Same scenario but the lead's 1st rock is unintentionally thrown light:

At the near hog the Split time shows 3.94 sec which is light so the Green Light comes up indicating Go Hard!! on the sweeping.

Instantaneously the Weight Zone 3 appears and the team calls out Zone 3.



Zone 7 called for



Split at Near Hog



Weight Light



Detailed Settings – Changing Ice Conditions

At any time during the game The **ROG** can be adjusted to handle changing ice conditions. On any screen touch **ROG** to return to the Main Menu, touch **Game Settings** – Ice Change. Make the change and touch – Set – Save.

TIP! – Shortcut to change ice!

Touch the house area of the ice during Shot Selection Mode, choose the new split time, touch Set and you will return to Shot Selection Mode.





This can be done anytime during the game such as when you know one side of the sheet is heavier than the other OR when the slide path or pebble becomes broken down.

Making an ice adjustment automatically internally adjusts the split times for <u>all</u> of the players regardless of their delivery or release.



Detailed Settings – Button Layout

The **ROG** has been designed with the option of locating the buttons for a hand-held timer or for a timer attached to a curling broom. Simply choose **Broom** "ON" if that is your preference as **Hand-held** is the default.



Hand-Held

Broom



Detailed Settings – Split Time Precision

A curling team has the option of setting the **Red** and **Green** Light tolerances as precise as they choose. If the thrower's split time is off by more than 0.05 seconds then the rock won't likely reach the requested destination.

Set the Split Time Precision for the **ROG** lights from 0.01 to 0.10 seconds. It is probably safe to say that not too many curlers can throw a split time with 0.01 second precision by being able to throw a 3.71 and 3.72 split. Conversely, curlers with aspirations of Olympic Gold had better be able to execute throwing and knowing the difference between a 3.7 and a 3.8 split.



The Default precision is set to 0.05 sec and is deemed attainable by most competitive teams.

*** ORANGE will automatically default to everything between the red and green light chosen precision.



Detailed Settings – Set Player Adjustments

An adjustment can be made for any player on the team. Assume the split time for tee-line (Zone 7) is running at 3.70 seconds. If the 2nd on your team for example has a different delivery or release than the rest of the team the rock thrown would not likely come to rest in the same spot as his/her teammates.

| Cancel | Settings | Save |
|--|---|--|
| Green | Light | +0.05 |
| You can set trigger the l indica | t your own split-tin Red, Orange & Gr te whether or not t | ne precision to een lights that to sweep |
| Player Te | ee-Line Split Ti | me |
| Lead | | 3.70 sec |
| Second | 0 | 3.50 sec |
| Vice | | 3.70sec |
| Skip | | 3.70 sec |
| | Reset Defaults | |

The team knows this player needs a split of 3.50 seconds and therefore programs in the adjustment for the player. Slide the Second to "3.50" and touch Save to accept.

With The **ROG**, the team does not have to worry about mentally factoring in different deliveries and releases. The settings will remain in effect until they are changed or until all of the Defaults are reset.



Detailed Settings – Reset Defaults



Touch Reset Defaults.

A Warning will come up and you will have to select both YES and Save to ensure all Defaults are reset.

Warning! Reset Defaults will reset:



- all Zones back to the originally initialized split times (Zone 7 = 3.70 sec);
- precision to 0.05 sec for the red and green lights;
- the button location to hand-held position; and
- all players tee-line split time to 3.70 seconds.



Show Player Default Splits

At any time during the operation of The **ROG** you can view player split times for all weight zones by returning to the Main Menu. The values will reflect any ice condition changes or release and/or delivery adjustments that you have entered for your team.

Touch View Split Times. Once you have finished viewing player split times touch Main Menu to return to the Main screen.



| Lead Zecond | Vice Skip | | |
|-------------|-----------|--|--|
| Zone | 04.20 | | |
| Zone 1 | 04.10 | | |
| Zone 2 | 04.00 | | |
| Zone 3 | 03.90 | | |
| Zone 4 | 03.85 | | |
| Zone 5 | 03.80 | | |
| Zone 6 | 03.75 | | |
| Zone 7 | 03.70 | | |
| Zone 8 | 03.65 | | |
| Zone 9 | 03.55 | | |
| Zone 10 | 03.50 | | |
| Main I | Menu | | |

| Lead Second | Vice Skip |
|-------------|----------------|
| Zone 0 | > 00 |
| Zone 1 | 03.90 |
| Zone 2 | 03.80 |
| Zone 3 | 03.70 |
| Zone 4 | 03.65 |
| Zone 5 | 03.60 |
| Zone 6 | 03.55 |
| Zone 7 | 03.50 |
| Zone 8 | 03.45 |
| Zone 9 | 03.35 |
| Zone 10 | 03.30 |
| Mai | n Menu |



Info Button

| | About The ROG Done | About The ROG Done |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| THE ROG -CURLING'S ULTIMATE STOPWATCH- | Co-Inventors | Partner |
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| | Jeff Rogers | Web |
| | Software Designer | Site http://www.TheROG.ca |
| | Jeff Rogers | Designer Mark Rogers |
| Start Game | Partner | Version |
| Start Game | Layne Noble | Version 1.1 (15 Feb 2010) |
| View Split Times | Web | Patent |
| Game Settings | Site http://www.TheROG.ca | Canadian Patent Pending |
| | Designer Mark Rogers | Canadian Patent Pending |

Touch the **info** 'i' button to display information about The **ROG**.



Accessories



From time to time we will recommend both hand-held and broom attachment cases for The **ROG**. At the moment the Active Case sold online at The Source is suitable for both.

Next month we will offer a more complete report but please feel free to recommend what you find works best for you and we will make the information available on our site.



Technical Support

If you have any questions regarding technical support please contact us at:

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Please feel free to recommend any improvements or additional features that you would like to have incorporated for the next version of The **ROG**.



