

## **10. End plans when throwing second:**

### **10.1. Keep the centre path clear: low risk**

**Play tick shots to move opposition rocks in free guard zone away from the centre path.**

**Draw your first stones into the house to the side of the rings.**

**Hit and roll to the side of the sheet where possible.**

**Remove centre guards when and where possible.**

### **10.2 Play to the side of the rings: low risk**

**Ignore opponents rocks if in the centre path of the free guard zone.**

**Draw your first stones into the house to the side of the rings.**

**Hit and roll to the side of the sheet where possible.**

**Remove centre guards when and where possible.**

### **10.3 Control the centre path of the rings: medium risk**

**Draw around opponents centre guards where possible.**

**Hit and roll towards the centre of the circle behind a guard.**

**Raise your own stones into the centre of the circle behind a guard.**

**Remove opponents rocks in the front rings.**

**Move opponents front stones to the back of the rings.**

### **10.4 Corner guard attack: low risk**

**Ignore opposition rocks in the centre path of the free guard zone.**

**Position one or two of your rocks out front off the centre line, then get rocks behind these rocks later in the end.**

**Play clearing shots as required on opponents centre rocks.**

**One good corner guard can help to score 2 points.**

### **10.5 Eliminate all opposition stones: very low risk**

**This is a common approach when the team throwing second is significantly ahead with few ends left to play.**

**Tick shots might be played on opponents rocks in the free guard zone.**

**Your preferred result might be to roll out of the rings on all takeouts.**

**You may send your rocks through the rings if the opponents have none in play.**

#### **10.6 Keep maximum rocks in play: very high risk**

**This is an approach more often used when the team throwing last is several points down late in the game. The approach will avoid takeouts for most of the end.**

**Rocks can be positioned in front of the opponents stones where it will be more difficult for the opposition to neutralize them.**

**Play your first rocks into the free guard zone.**

**Bump opponents stones to the back of the house.**