

## **Measuring international event performance**

In recent years countries have sought my coaching input in preparation for either world championships, Commonwealth Games or other events on the calendar.

Most countries set themselves to secure medals, quite rightly.

Most countries though, do not set a standard of player performance for the competitor to know what will assist in their achieving that medal.

I set out for each country a formula that is still a guide today and as such I detail it:

- Each performer in whatever game format (singles, fours etc.) should in the first instance set out to win 50% of their scheduled games as a minimum win/loss ratio.
- Singles players and leads in team formats should be aiming to score 50% effective bowls deliveries and a minimum measure at 40% to ensure to achieve that win/loss ratio.
- Seconds in team formats should be aiming to score 45% effective bowls deliveries and a minimum measure at 40% to ensure to achieve that win/loss ratio.
- Thirds in team formats should be aiming to score 40% effective bowls deliveries and a minimum measure at 35% to ensure to achieve that win/loss ratio.
- Skips in team formats should be aiming to score 40% effective bowls deliveries and a minimum measure at 35% to ensure to achieve that win/loss ratio.
- The team, through the tactical skill of the skip, to set themselves to lose no more than one end with a shot loss exceeding 2 shots.
- The team, through the tactical skill of the skip, to set themselves to win a majority of the ends played per game.
- The team, through the tactical skill of the skip, to set themselves to win at the very least 40% of the ends played per game.

To know these stats. someone has to be recording the measures and I suggest/require the second in the team formats to be doing this end by end. And the team can refer to the stats when they have their on green team meeting say every 3 ends.

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