



2nd Western Asia Youth Chess Championship 2017 **4th to 11th September 2017, Sri Lanka**

The Chess Federation of Sri Lanka under the auspices of the Asian Chess Federation and FIDE invites National Chess Federations to participate in the 2nd Western Asia Youth Chess Championship to be held from 4th to 11th of September 2017 in Southern Province of Sri Lanka.

Participation

1. Entitled to participate are Chess players from Western Asia Federations affiliated to the Asian Chess Federation. The participant must not have reached his 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, 16th, 18th birthday, respectively, before January 1st 2017.

1.1 Each county may register any number of players to participate in the U-8, U-10, U-12, U-14, U-16 and U-18 for Boys and Girls.

1.2 In case there are fewer than eight players and five Federations in an age group, that group shall be merged with another group.

Playing Schedule

2. The Championships will be played according to the Swiss System of 9 rounds or round robin for 8-10 players.

Day 1 Monday 4th September 14:00hrs. Arrival

Day 2 Tuesday 5th September 09:30 Opening Ceremony & Technical Meeting

Day 2 Tuesday 5th September 10.30 Rd 1 – Rd 3 Rapid and 16:00 Rd 4 – Rd 7 Rapid

Day 3 Wednesday 6th September 10:00 Rd 1 - Standard Chess & 17:00 Rd 2 - Standard Chess

Day 4 Thursday 7th September 10:00 Rd 3 - Standard Chess & 17:00 Rd 4 - Standard Chess

Day 5 Friday 8th September 10:00 Rd 5 - Standard Chess & 17:00 Rd 6 - Standard Chess

Day 6 Saturday 9th September 10:00 Rd 7 - Standard Chess & 17:00 Rd 8 - Standard Chess

Day 7 Sunday 10th 10:00 Rd 9 - Standard Chess & 16:00 Blitz Championship 7 Rounds

Day 7 Sunday 10th September 20:00 Closing & Award Ceremony

Day 8 Monday 11th September 06:00-11:59 Departure

Playing Conditions

3. The tournament will be played according to the Rules of Play of FIDE.

3.1 The games shall be played using electronic clocks. The time control is 90 minutes for the whole game with an increment of 30 seconds per move starting from move 1. Forfeit time is 15 minutes.

3.2. Time control for Rapid Chess is 15 minutes plus 10 second increment per move from move 1.

3.3 Time control for Blitz chess is 3 minutes plus 2 second increment per move from move 1.

Chief Arbiter and his Assistants

4. The Asian Chess Federation President will - after consultation with the organizing Federation - nominate the Chief Arbiter, as well as the necessary assistant arbiters and other officials.

4.1 The Chief Arbiter may, in consultation with the Asian Chess Federation, issue additional written regulations to inform the exact playing hours and take care of other details not covered by these regulations.

4.2 Protests, including protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter or his assistants, must be submitted in writing to the Chairman of the Appeals Committee within fifteen minutes after completion of the relevant playing session. A protest shall be submitted with an accompanying fee of \$100 or its equivalent in local currency. If the protest is upheld, the protest fee will be returned otherwise it shall be forfeited to the organizing federation. No protests will be entertained for Rapid and Blitz.

Appeals Committee

5. The Technical Delegate shall be nominated by the Asian Chess Federation President in consultation with the organizing federation. The Appeals Committee shall be composed of a Chairman to be appointed by the Asian Chess Federation President, two other members and two reserves, all from different Federations, chosen from among the representatives of national federations present.

5.1 No member of the committee shall have the right to decide on questions concerning his own federation. In such cases the member concerned shall have the right only to partake in the discussions of the committee.

Designation of the winner

6. The order of the players is determined according to the number of points obtained. If at the end of the tournament two or more players are tied, the tie shall be broken by the tiebreak systems in the following

order: a) Direct Encounter b) Buchholz Cut 2 c) Progressive d) The greater number of wins (forfeits counted) e) Blitz Match or tournament between tied players only on the top three spots in every category.

6.1 In case the above still does not produce a decision, the players remaining tied will be proclaimed joint winners.

6.2. The first place winners in Standard Chess shall be awarded the title of Candidate or FIDE Master or International Master (or corresponding women's titles) in accordance with FIDE title regulations. If groups are combined to make a bigger group, then the requirements (at least 8 participants from at least 3 federations) shall apply to this merged group. Titles can be awarded to the best player(s) of the subgroups, provided the subgroup has at least 5 participants from at least 2 federations and the player scores a minimum of 50% in a minimum of 9 games.

Medals: Medals shall be awarded to the top three positions in each event and category. Three best Federations, by ranking of standard chess medals collected in all categories, will receive a trophy. For first place the number of gold medals will be taken under consideration, if there is a tie, then the number of silver medals, if there is still a tie, then the number of bronze medals. If there is a tie, count Rapid chess medals, then Blitz chess medals.

Accommodation

8.1 All players should stay at the official hotels booked by the organizers. The Cost of full board and lodging to be paid to the Organizing Committee is \$ (120/80/70) per person per day in a (Single/Double /Triple) room.

8.2 The official players for one player each in each age group and one official coach will be accommodated in Triple rooms. If any player needs a room upgrade, the difference should be paid by the participant.

Registration and Fees

9.1 Please submit registration form and passport copy by 30th July 2017

9.2 A registration fee to the Organizing Committee of US\$ 100 is required for every participant (player/official or accompanying person). This amount must be paid to the Organizing Committee at the time of registration.

9.3 An entry fee for every official player is 40\$ and additional Player 80\$ includes participation into STD, RPD & BLITZ . This must be paid to the Organizing Committee at the time of registration.

9.5 Payments should be made to:

Bank: Commercial Bank

Branch : City Office

A/C Number: 1560248301

Swift Code: **CCEYLK LX**

Name of Account: Chess Federation of Sri Lanka

Address : 151/12, Siridhamma Mawatha, Colombo 10, Sri Lanka. (Postal Code 01000)

10. Contact details:

10.1 All details and clarifications from:

Mr. Luxman Wijesuriya

Chairman – Organizing Committee,

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