

FIDE ONLINE WOMEN'S WORLD BLITZ CHAMPIONSHIP 2014

Organizers

Commission for Women's Chess (WOM) in cooperation with Premium Chess under the aegis of FIDE proposes to organize the FIDE ONLINE WOMEN'S WORLD BLITZ CHAMPIONSHIP 2014.

Participation and Playing site

The FIDE Online Women's World Blitz Championship 2014 will be open to all women players representing their National Chess Federations and they should be members of FIDE ARENA. The event will be held in FIDE ARENA until the semifinal and the final will be held live in Milan, Italy.

Time Control

For all competitions each player will have 3 minutes plus 2 seconds per move, starting from move one.

System of play and playing schedule

Qualification

- Four Online Qualification tournament shall be played as Swiss tournaments with 11 rounds, qualifying 8 in each event

Elimination

- One elimination tournament where the previous 32 qualified players will play for the final 8 spots.

Final tournament will be played live in Milan, Italy during the fashion week, to combine chess with fashion. There will be 10 qualified players, 8 from the previous elimination event plus the Women's World Champion and one Wild card to be announced by the FIDE President. The Final shall be played as a doubled round robin event. The games will have live broadcast coverage.

Tiebreaks system

Qualifications and Elimination tournament

The final standings order of players in the preliminary events will be determined by the number of points scored. Should two or more players tie for a qualifying spot, the tie is resolved by

- Bucholz system
- Number of wins
- Results between the players involved
- Sudden death game 5-4

Final tournament tiebreaks

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Chief Arbiter and Appeals Committee

The chief arbiter will be an International Arbiter

The Appeal Commission will be elected before the final

A protest against any decision must be submitted in writing to the Appeal Committee immediately after the game (one hour maximum). The appeal shall be accompanied by 300 euros, which shall be returnable only if the appeal is accepted.

The decision of the Appeal Committee is final.

Financial Regulations

The travelling expenses as well as the accommodation of the 10 finalist will be covered by the organizers.

Medals and titles

In the name of FIDE, the organizer will award a gold medal to the winner and the title of FIDE Online Women's World Champion 2014, a silver medal to the player who wins second place and a bronze medal to the player who finishes in third place.

Dates - Prize Fund-Accommodations –Visa information to be announced