





EUROPEAN SCHOOL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2012

Tournaments for school chess champions in categories
OPEN U7, U9, U11, U13, U15, U17 / GIRLS U7, U9, U11, U13, U15, U17

Halkidiki Greece, 12 - 21 JUNE 2012





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GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. INVITATION

European Chess Union (E.C.U), International School Chess Union (I.S.C.U.) and the Greek Chess Federation have the honour of inviting National Chess Federations, and eligible players in the **European School Championship 2012** organised in Kallithea, Halkidiki, Greece from **12th June (Arrival) to 21st June (Departure)**

2. PARTICIPATION - AGE LIMITS

- 2.1. Each National Federation or School Association or schools may enter an unlimited number of players in each of the **12 age groups**. In case that one girl group is less than 10 participants then it will be merged with the same open age group category.
- 2.2. Entitled to participate are players (Boys & Girls) who shall not have reached the age:

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Of 7, by 1st January 2012 (date of Birth – January 1st, 2005 and after) – Tournament Under 7; Of 9, by 1st January 2012 (date of Birth – January 1st, 2003 and after) – Tournament Under 9; Of 11, by 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012 (date of Birth – January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2001 and after) – Tournament Under 11; Of 13, by 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012 (date of Birth – January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1997 and after) – Tournament Under 15; Of 17, by 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012 (date of Birth – January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1995 and after) – Tournament Under 17;
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Upon arrival, captains or players may be requested to present the passports of their players for verification of age eligibility.

2.3. Accommodation and travel expenses will be covered from the participants, federations, schools and their Sponsors. Delegations of players must be accompanied <u>at least by an adult</u> (chief, coach or parent), who is taking care about the travel details.

3. ENTRY - FEES

- 3.1. Each player must pay 30 EUR to the Organizing Committee as a registration fee.
- 3.2 **ECU fee:** In accordance with the ECU regulations an ECU entry fee of 20 EUR is required for each player. Their National Federations must send this amount directly to the ECU. For participants who registered through their School, the ECU entry fee must be paid before the start of the first round either to their National Federation (proved by a receipt document) or to the Organizing Committee in Thessaloniki.

4. REGISTRATION AND TRAVEL CONDITIONS

- 4.1 Entry forms must be sent <u>from the National Federations or the players</u> and returned to the Organizing Committee not later than **Friday May 4th 2012.** If the registration form is not forwarded by the Federation a copy must be sent to the National Federation.
- 4.2 The complete registration form must include the surname/s, first name/s, FIDE ID number, FIDE rating and passport number (<u>for visa only purpose</u>) of each player and each accompanying person. It must also include the name and telephone/e-mail/fax number **of the Delegation chief**.
- 4.3 The cost of bus transportation from Thessaloniki airport (80 km) to the Tournament hotels (Athos Palace and Pallini Beach Hotel) with return on the departure day is 60 EUR per person.
- 4.4 At the time of registration till **Friday May 4th 2012 the amount of 30 EUR (registration) + 50% of the total accommodation cost + 60 EUR transportation cost (if required) must be transferred , <u>free of bank charges</u>, to the following bank account of the Organizing Committee for each participant or accompanying person. Rest of payments must be made the latest on arrival. <u>Delegations are advised to pay the total amount of their expenses through the bank account before their arrival:**</u>

BANK: EUROBANK SWIFT/BIC: EFGBGRAA

IBAN: GR3102601380000960200289132

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 0026.0138.96.0200289132

BANK ADDRESS: 8 Othonos Str., 10557 Athens - GREECE

ACCOUNT NAME: EVENT TRAVEL

ONLINE BOOKINGS: www.eventravel.net

The hotel bookings and transfers can be made and with online credit card payment through the only authorized site: www.eventravel.net.

From the menu choose "EuroSchool" and the package of your choice. Once the transfer has been confirmed, the Organising Committee will confirm the assigned booking confirmation for all the hotel reservations.

5. VENUE - ACCOMMODATION

- 5.1. Accommodation and board will be provided at Athos Palace and Pallini Beach (4 stars both) & Macedonian Sun (3 stars). Playing Hall is Conference Hall in the Hotel Complex.
- 5.2. **Every player is obliged to lodge at the official hotels.** Every accompanying person that requests a visa from the Organizing Committee is obliged to lodge at the official hotels. Bookings are made **only through the Organizing Committee** (fill registrations and bookings forms).
- 5.3. Hotel payments for all players and accompanying persons must be made in advance as described in registration process and the rest 50% the latest by arrival. Hotel payments must be paid in EUR currency (euros). No future payments of hotel bills will be accepted. Cancellations are not possible after 1st May 2012.
- 5.4. Lodging for players, coaches and accompanying persons will **cost per person, for 8 and 9 nights** (includes breakfast, lunch and dinner in buffet): For 10 nights or more nights add the charge of one or more nights.

Prices <u>per person</u> F/B (3 meals)	Athos Palace & Pallini Beach ****	Athos Palace & Pallini Beach ***	NIGHTS PER PERSON PER DAY (3 meals)
TYPE OF ROOM	COST PER PERSON for 9 nights	COST PER PERSON for 8 nights	
SINGLE ROOM PACKAGE	675 €	600 €	75 € per person per day
DOUBLE ROOM PACKAGE	450 €	400 €	50 € per person per day
TRIPLE ROOM PACKAGE	420 €	375 €	47 € per person per day
SUITE 4 PERSONS	400 €	360 €	45 € per person per day
Prices <u>per person</u> F/B (3 meals)	Makedonian Sun ***	Makedonian Sun ***	EXTRA NIGHTS PER PERSON PER DAY
DOUBLE ROOM PACKAGE	415	370	46 € per person per day
TRIPLE ROOM PACKAGE	385	345	43 € per person per day

Kids 0-4 years old- free of charge

6. RULES AND REGULATIONS

6.1. The tournament will be played according to the Swiss System in 9 rounds. National ratings will not be taken into consideration for the pairings. Rate of play will be according to FIDE regulations 90 minutes for 40 moves plus 30 minutes for the rest of the Game with an increment of 30 seconds per move starting from move 1.

Communication between players (the offer of draw) is forbidden until the 40th move has been played.

7. PLAYING SCHEDULE

Rules are valid and the tournament will be FIDE rated

Tuesday	June 12 th	Arrival of Participants
Wednesday	June 13 th	10:00 Technical Meeting - Pairings
Wednesday	June 13 th	15:00 Round 1
Thursday	June 14 th	10:00 Round 2
Thursday	June 14 th	17:00 Round 3
Friday	June 15 th	15:00 Round 4
Saturday	June 16 th	15:00 Round 5
Sunday	June 17 th	15:00 Round 6
Monday	June 18 th	15:00 Round 7
Tuesday	June 19 th	15:00 Round 8
Wednesday	June 20 st	10:00 Round 9
_		16:30Closing ceremony - Departures
Thursday	June 21 st	Departures

8. PRIZES - TITLES

8.1. The first European winner in each open age category is the European School Champion for 2012 and the first European girl in each girl age category is the European Girl School Champions for 2012. They awarded with trophies and special diplomas.

8.2. Qualifications:

The 6 first winners (U7, U9, U11, U13, U15, and U17) and the 6 Girls winners (U7,U9, U11, U13, U15, and U17) will **play as invited players** (free accommodation) in the 2013 World School Chess Championship.

8.3. **GENERAL STANDINGS PRIZES**

6 First open winners	Invited participants World School 2013	TROPHIES
(U7,U9, U11, U13, U15, U17)	Special Gifts	
6 First Girl winners	Invited participants World School 2013	TROPHIES
(U7,U9, U11, U13, U15, U17)	Special Gifts	
3 first boys in each Category	Chess Gifts	MEDALS
3 first girls in each Category	Chess Gifts	MEDALS

8.4. SPECIAL PRIZES (total 10)

1 st player born 2004 (U9) 1 st girl born 2004 (GU9)	Chess Gifts	MEDALS
1 st player born 2002 (U11) 1 st girl born 2002 (GU11)	Chess Gifts	MEDALS
1 st player born 2000 (U13) 1 st girl born 2000 (GU13)	Chess Gifts	MEDALS
1 st player born 1998 (U15) 1 st player born 1998 (GU15)	Chess Gifts	MEDALS
1 st player born 1996 (U17) 1 st player born 1996 (GU17)	Chess Gifts	MEDALS

8.5. TEAM PRIZES (total 3)

Three special trophies for country or school delegations of 5 participants, which will play at least in 2 ages groups (winners will be named according to the best 5 individual results).

8.6. Special Diplomas of participation for all players

9. SIDE EVENTS

- Excursions Program (A. Thessaloniki B. Mount Athos C. Petralona)
- Solving Competition
- Simoultaneous Exhibition

10. CONTACT THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE

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11. VISA INFORMATION -

Teams or players needing visas are requested to contact the Organizing Committee **before May 4th 2012** and apply on time to Greek Authorities. The Organizing Committee will provide invitations for visas only after the necessary payments. The O.C has no responsibility on late or not complete applications.