



FIDE Endorsed International Children and Youth Festival "ChessYes" U-8, U-10, U-12, U-14, U-16 OFFLINE (October 27 – November 2, 2021)

FIDE Endorsed International Children and Youth Festival «ChessYes» consists of two separate events: online (October 09 – November 07, 2021) and [offline \(October 27 – November 02, 2021\)](#) tournaments. Festival is an official side event to the FIDE Chess.com Grand Swiss and Women's Grand Swiss 2021 held in Riga (October 25 – November 08, 2021).

1. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- Promoting chess sports among children and youth;
- Advancing youth national teams and other participants;
- Increasing the level of sportsmanship and qualifications of the participants, including the international FIDE rating;
- Creating and developing the knowledge capital of youth;
- Strengthening of interregional and international sports relations.

2. DATE AND VENUE

International Children and Youth Chess Festival "ChessYes" is held from 27 October to 2 November 2021 in Riga, Latvia.

Venue: Riga, Latvia, Hanzas iela 16A, Vidzemes priekšpilsēta, Rīga, LV-1045

3. ORGANIZERS AND SPONSORSHIP

The International Chess Federation (FIDE), Latvian Chess Federation, Public organization "KIS", the non-governmental organization "Rudaga Plus" with the support of Children and Youth School of Education and Creativity "Rudaga" (Jurmala, Latvia), chess club "KAISSA" (Riga, Latvia), www.chess-results.com.



4. SCHEDULE AND PARTICIPATION

4.1 Schedule

Day	Date	Time	
Wednesday	27.10.	15.00	Registration
		20.00	Arbiters' meeting
RAPID 15' + 10"			
Thursday	28.10.	9.30	Opening ceremony
		10.00	Round 1
		11.00	Round 2
		12.00	Round 3
Friday	29.10.	10.00	Round 4
		11.00	Round 5
		12.00	Round 6
Saturday	30.10.	10.00	Round 7
		11.00	Round 8
		12.00	Round 9
RAPID 10' + 5"			
Sunday	31.10.	10.00	Round 1
		10.45	Round 2
		11.30	Round 3
		12.15	Round 4
Monday	1.11.	9.00	Round 5
		9.45	Round 6
		10.30	Round 7
		11.15	Round 8
		12.00	Round 9
BLITZ 5' + 2"			
Tuesday	2.11.	10.00	Round 1
		10.25	Round 2
		10.50	Round 3
		11.15	Round 4
		11.40	Round 5
		12.05	Round 6
		12.30	Round 7
		12.55	Round 8
		13.20	Round 9
		17.30	Closing ceremony, awarding in tournaments A, B, C, D, E, F, as well as in Grand Prix competition.
			Departure



4.2. RAPID 15' + 10" (TOURNAMENTS A, B)

Groups:

Tournament A – participants born in 2005 and younger;

Tournament B – participants born in 2009 and younger.

The tournaments are held according to the FIDE chess rules, Swiss system, 9 rounds. Pairing and scoring are conducted with the Swiss Manager software.

Time limit: 15 minutes + 10 seconds per move, starting from the first move.

Counting the international Rapid rating in Groups A, B. Players must have FIDE ID.

Tournament winners and awardees are determined by the highest number of points scored in all games. If participants have equal points, the prizes are determined by additional indicators: Buchholz Cut 1, Buchholz System, Direct Encounter, the greater number of wins including forfeits.

In all disputable situations, the Chief Arbiter makes a final decision.

4.3. RAPID 10' + 5" (TOURNAMENTS C, D)

Groups:

Tournament C – participants born in 2005 and younger;

Tournament D – participants born in 2009 and younger.

The tournaments are held according to the FIDE chess rules, Swiss system, 9 rounds. Pairing and scoring are conducted with the Swiss Manager software.

Time limit: 10 minutes + 5 seconds per move, starting from the first move.

Counting the international Rapid rating in Groups C, D. Players must have FIDE ID.

Tournament winners and awardees are determined by the highest number of points scored in all games. If participants have equal points, the prizes are determined by additional indicators: Buchholz Cut 1, Buchholz System, Direct Encounter, the greater number of wins including forfeits.

In all disputable situations, the Chief Arbiter makes a final decision.

4.4. BLITZ 5' + 2"

Groups:

Tournament E – participants born in 2005 and younger;

Tournament F – participants born in 2009 and younger.

The tournaments are held according to the FIDE chess rules, Swiss system, 9 rounds. Pairing and scoring are conducted with the Swiss Manager software.



Time limit: 5 minutes + 2 seconds per move, starting from the first move.

Counting the international Rapid rating in Groups E, F. Players must have FIDE ID.

Tournament winners and awardees are determined by the highest number of points scored in all games. If participants have equal points, the prizes are determined by additional indicators: Buchholz Cut 1, Buchholz System, Direct Encounter, the greater number of wins including forfeits.

In all disputable situations, the Chief Arbiter makes a final decision.

4.5. Overall standings of Festival "ChessYes"

Winners and awardees in the overall standings of Festival "ChessYes" are determined in two age groups:

- Participants born in 2005 and younger;
- Participants born in 2009 and younger.

The overall standings of the Festival are calculated by summing the results of three tournaments:

- A+C+E for participants born in 2005 and younger;
- B+D+F for participants born in 2009 and younger.

Criteria for determining the winners and awardees in the overall standings of the Festival (in order of priority):

1. The highest number of points scored in all played tournaments;
2. The lowest number of standings in all played tournaments;
3. The highest standing in one of the tournaments.

5. TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR AND BOARD OF ARBITERS

Tournament Director: Nadezhda Kravchuk,

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Organizer-coordinator: Inessa Testelecs, chess.rudaga@gmail.com

Chief Arbiter: IA Natalija Popova, popovanatalija730@gmail.com

6. PAYMENTS

Registration fee for participating in tournaments:

Rapid 15' + 10" (Tournaments A, B) – 30 EUR;

Rapid 10' + 5" (Tournaments C, D) – 20 EUR;

Blitz 5' + 2" (Tournaments E, F) – 10 EUR.

Children with special needs, orphans (documentary proofs required) are exempted



from the fee. In case of refusal to participate in tournaments, the fees are not refundable.

Registration and accreditation is considered finished when players complete the application form, pay the tournament fee and receive confirmation of accreditation.

Organizations or individuals delegating the participants must bear all the transportation, accommodation and meal expenditures for the entire period of the tournament. All participants must be insured for travel and stay in Latvia. Teams must have an appropriate number of accompanying persons to guarantee the safety of the participants. The Organizers cover the costs of awarding winners, technical personnel, local and foreign arbiters, renting the venue and vehicles, printed and advertising materials, diplomas and prizes.

Payment information:

Biedrība Interēšu izglīības iestāde Rudaga plus

Registration Number : 40008197035

Address : Kalnciema 15, Jūrmala, LV-2015, Latvia

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Account : LV46HABA0551034430988

(Purpose of Payment : Chess Tournament, Name and Surname of the Player)

7. AWARDING

7.1. Rapid 15' + 10", Rapid 10' + 5", Blitz 5' + 2"

The winners of Tournaments A, B, C, D, E, F are awarded a cup, a medal for the 1st prize and the 1st degree diploma. The awardees of Tournaments A, B, C, D, E, F are awarded medals for 2nd and 3rd places, diplomas of the corresponding degrees, as well as valuable gifts.

7.2. Overall standings of Festival "ChessYes"

The winners and awardees of the overall standings of the Festival in each age category (2005 and younger; 2009 and younger) are awarded with cups for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd places and valuable prizes.

7.3. Additional nominations for the Tournament:

- For the youngest participants;
- Each participant of the Tournament gets a diploma of participation.

8. Applications



Participation in the Tournament is confirmed by an invitation sent by the Organizer, based on received applications, lists of participants and paid registration fees. Applications for participation are accepted until 24 October 2021 (if a visa is needed, applications are accepted until 10 October 2021). The Organizers reserve the right to close or prolong the registration. Registration forms:

REGISTRATION FOR TOURNAMENT PARTICIPANTS:

"ChessYES" RAPID 15`+10"

<https://forms.gle/AxiQ1ffZEAeBp79z8>

"ChessYES" RAPID 10`+5"

<https://forms.gle/4rcLtYb6BKSVrLB27>

"ChessYES" BLITZ 5' + 2"

<https://forms.gle/CXpurWh2JcKKfhdh8>

The number of participants is limited. In each tournament the first 82 participants who complete the application and pay the tournament fee will be registered. The rest of the participants get on the waiting list.

Registration for organizers, accompanying persons, coaches and other representatives (European Union Countries): <https://forms.gle/USPM2VepFrxi9AzXA>

Registration for organizers, accompanying persons, coaches and other representatives (non-European Union Countries): <https://forms.gle/USPM2VepFrxi9AzXA>

9. ACCOMMODATION

Participants can stay at any hotel or rent accommodation.

The nearest hotels to the venue:

<https://cutt.ly/uWqO6mU>

<https://cutt.ly/UWqPuzS>



10. VISA SUPPORT

Visa support (an official invitation) is provided to all foreign chess players who applied to the Organizing Committee before 10 October 2021. To apply for invitations, please fill out a registration form for each participant of the Festival (player / accompanying person / coach / organizer, organizer's representative).

Application form: <https://forms.gle/EvK65rc1sFhQ5FGq5>

11. ARRIVAL

Riga airport is located 10 km from the center of Riga (bus N22, N322). Global airlines (Airbaltic, Norwegian, Ryanair, WizzAir, as well as Lufthansa, Turkish airlines, SAS and others) offer flights to Riga from various destinations.

More information: <http://www.riga-airport.com/>

13. OTHER CONDITIONS

Any expenses related to participation in the Chess Festival are borne by the sending organizations or participants.

Holding the Chess Festival depends on the epidemiological situation in Latvia and around the world, therefore, the epidemiological conditions of the Festival may change.

In this regard, all participants of the Tournament, including coaches, accompanying persons, arbiters, organizer's representatives must be accredited.

More information on COVID-19 rules can be found here "Epidemioloģiskās drošības pasākumi Covid-19 infekcijas izplatības ierobežošanai":

<http://tap.mk.gov.lv/lv/mk/tap/?pid=40503671&mode=mk&date=2021-06-10>

13. PRIVACY

The Festival is a public event during which there will be photo and video filming for the public information purposes in accordance with Article 6 (1) (e) of the General Data Protection Regulation.

By confirming your participation in the Festival, you give permission for audio, photo and video filming, as well as the use of the materials made during the Tournament, including with your presence in them, in the media, social networks, websites of specialized sports organizations (www.fide.com, www.sahafederacija.lv etc.), official accounts of the organizers and fans of tournaments in social networks, as well as other sources.

The Tournament results will be published on www.chess-results.com

The term for processing and using the data is unlimited.



14. HEALTH

A person or organization applying to participate in the Festival is fully responsible for the health of the participants upon their arrival at the Tournament.

In accordance with these Regulations, all Festival participants and/or their legal representatives confirm that during the Tournament they must comply with all national restrictions, as well as the Organizers' COVID-19 regulations.

The Organizers reserve the right to make the necessary changes to these Regulations.

15. CONTACTS

Tournament official website: <https://chessyes.online/>

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