



JULY 23-24, 2021

FIDE ENDORSED INTERNATIONAL
CHILDREN AND YOUTH CHESS FESTIVAL

"RUDAGA - KAISSA 2021 ONLINE"





Online International Children and Youth Chess Festival

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1. Goals and Tasks

Popularization of chess among children and youth.

Development of the intellectual human capital of the younger generation.

2. Organizers

The event is organized by the non-governmental organization "Rudaga Plus", Latvian Chess Federation and supported by FIDE,

3. Platform and Schedule

The tournaments will be played on www.chess.com

Once players registered, players will receive instructions on how to create accounts on chess.com and how to join the event.

All players shall join to the tournament club on the chess.com platform:

<https://www.chess.com/club/rudaga-kaissa-2021-online>

The final stage qualifiers list, draw and results will be published using players' real names rather than their chess.com handles. It is a condition of entering the final stage that this is adhered to.

Players should make themselves aware of the chess.com rules for maximum time for the first move, disconnects and reconnects, losing on time, drawing and insufficient material; as well as other internet chess concepts like pre-moving and automatic promotion.

Schedule:

Day	Date	Time	Program
Friday	23 July	11:00 CET	Rounds 1-11 (Qualifier A*) U 12
		11:00 CET	Rounds 1-11 (Qualifier A*) U16
		17:00 CET	Round 1-11 (Qualifier B*) U 12
		17:00 CET	Rounds 1-11 (Qualifier A*) U16
Saturday	24 July	11:00 CET	Final stage U12 Open and Girls (Knock out)
		17:00 CET	Final stage U16 Open and Girls (Knock out)

* All players can play in one or both qualifier tournaments based on their age group. In the qualifier stage, all rounds will be played immediately after the end of the previous round.

Second Stage - FINALS - Knock Out				
Category	Day	Date	Time	Program
U12 Open and Girls	Saturday	24 July	11:00- 11:20 CET	L16 - I
			11:30 - 11:50 CET	L16 - II
			12:00 - 12:10 CET	Armageddon
			12:20- 12:40 CET	QF - I
			12:50 - 13:10 CET	QF - II
			13:20 - 13:30 CET	Armageddon
			13:40- 14:00 CET	SF - I
			14:10 - 14:30 CET	SF - II
			14:40 - 14:50 CET	Armageddon
			15:00- 15:20 CET	F - I
			15:30 - 15:50 CET	F - II
U16 Open and Girls	Saturday	24 July	17:00- 17:20 CET	L16 - I
			17:30 - 17:50 CET	L16 - II
			18:00 - 18:10 CET	Armageddon
			18:20- 18:40 CET	QF - I
			18:50 - 19:10 CET	QF - II
			19:20 - 19:30 CET	Armageddon
			19:40- 20:00 CET	SF - I
			20:10 - 20:30 CET	SF - II
			20:40 - 20:50 CET	Armageddon
			21:00- 21:20 CET	F - I
			21:30-21:50 CET	F - II
22:00 - 22:10 CET	Armageddon			

4. Format and Participants

Tournament will be played in 2 different age groups – under 12 and under 16 (open and girls will play together). Players of the Championships must not have reached their 12th,16th birthday, respectively, before January 1st of the year 2021.

The tournament will consist of two stages: Qualifier Stage and Final stage.

The Qualifier stages will be played by two online 11-round Swiss System tournaments:

- Open & Girls under 12 (Qualifier A – U12)
- Open & Girls under 12 (Qualifier B – U12)

- Open & Girls under 16 (Qualifier A- U16)
- Open & Girls under 16 (Qualifier B- U16)

Players can choose to play in one qualifier or more. From each Qualifier event, top 8 Players per category (Top 8 Open and Top 8 girls) will be qualified to the final stages. In case a player declines his right to play the finals for any reason, the organizer may replace him/her by the next player in the standing.

The second stage event (Finals) will consist of a 16-player Knock out tournaments:

- Open Under 12
- Open Under 16
- Girls Under 12
- Girls Under 16

based on 2 games (with alternate colours) and possible one Armageddon tie-break 5/4 minutes' game with no increment and the black qualifies if the game is drawn.

The time control for the both stages will be 5 minutes + 3 second increment starting from the first move.

5. Tie-Breaks

Tie breaks for qualifier stage will be based on Chess.com tie-break score.

6. Fair-play rules

chess.com anti-cheating checks will be in operation.

Other people or electronic devices (except for the player's computer or laptop) are not allowed in the playing area. Playing from a mobile device or tablet is permitted (at the qualification stage). At the final stage, the game is only possible using a computer or laptop.

For the final stage, players must download and install ZOOM. The application can be downloaded at the link: <https://zoom.us/download>

Players are required to turn on their webcams and activate the Share My Screen feature in ZOOM during each round.

If the player does not enter the ZOOM chat at the beginning of the round, or turns off the webcam, or stops showing his screen, this can lead to a loss.

Tournament participants are prohibited from broadcasting from any platform, including Twitch, YouTube and other international platforms.

It is every player's individual responsibility to have a working Internet connection for the duration of the tournament. If a player is disconnected from the server, the player may reconnect and continue the game while he still has time on the clock.

Chess.com policy regarding disconnections, game interruptions and anti-cheating must be followed.

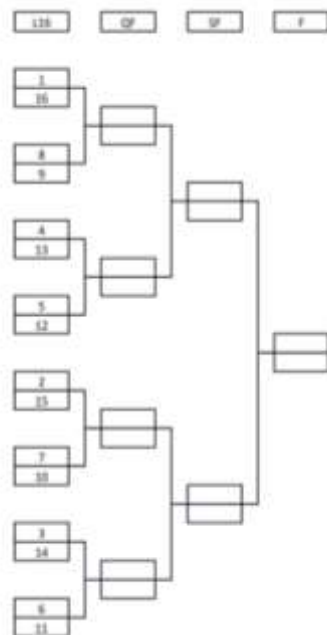
The announcement of the final results of the tournaments will be after an anti-cheat check using the Chess.com algorithm the next day after the completion of all stages of the tournament.

7. Pairings for the Knockout

Qualifiers from the first event will be seeded 1-4 in order; qualifiers from the second event 5- 8 in order.

The player seeded highest will be white in Game 1

- Colours for an Armageddon playoff will be based on drawing of lots with the online Arbiter.



8. Registration fee and registration

Registration fee for participation in the tournament is 10 EUROS.

Players must send the completed registration form: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1RuT3iExlPuWa9OKbzKWz4QPpsK727fp2E7mQhoUnW0A/edit> by July 21, 2021.

The last name, first name, patronymic (if any) must be indicated in the Latin alphabet, FIDE ID, full date of birth, e-mail (it must be the same from which you are registered on Chess.com), mobile phone number (WhatsApp).

9. Payment

After confirmation by the Organizing Committee, players must pay no later than July 21, 2021 to the bank account of FIDE. All bank charges are paid by the sender.

The registration fee can be paid in 2 ways:

1. PAYPAL

For payment using paypal please send payment to payment@fide.com

Please remember to write in the purpose of payment the participant's name and 'Rudaga Kaissa Online'

2. CREDIT CARD

Write an email to accounts@fide.com according to the sample:

Email subject: Rudaga Online

Email text: A link to pay the tournament fee for **Last Name, First Name** (as in the registration form) to participate in the festival "Rudaga-Kaissa Online 2021" is required.

A link will be send as a reply to take you to a safe platform for payment.

10. Prizes

All tournament participants will receive electronic certificates of participation.

a. Winners and awardees (1-3 places) will receive electronic diplomas.

b. The winner of the tournament in open and girls' sections in each category (U-12, U-16) receives Accreditation for the World Chess Olympiad 2022, an entrance ticket for the Opening Ceremony.

Players taking 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in the category U-12 (open & girls) will be awarded a free online 1.5-hour group lecture with Antoaneta Stefanova – Women's World Champion (2004-2006)

Players taking 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in the category U-16 (open & girls) will be awarded a free online 1.5-hour group lecture with Ruslan Ponomariov – FIDE World Champion (FIDE World Chess Championship 2002)

11. Contacts

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