



World Chess Federation (FIDE)
Singapore Chess Federation

FIDE WORLD AMATEUR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

SINGAPORE

25 April 2014 to 04 May 2014

GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. INVITATION

- 1.1. The Singapore Chess Federation and the World Chess Federation (FIDE), have the honour of inviting all National Chess Federations and eligible players to participate in the **FIDE World Amateur Chess Championships 2014** which are to be held in Singapore from **25 April 2014 to 04 May 2014**.
- 1.2. The Championships shall be governed by the General Regulations for FIDE Competitions (approved in 2011) and the Rules of the FIDE World Amateur Championships (approved in 2011).

2. RIGHT OF PARTICIPATION

- 2.1. The player must not have a published FIDE Rating **of 2000 or greater** for at least 2 years prior to 01 January 2014. They must not hold any title above CM (WCM). The World Amateur Championship is open to players registered by their Federation.
- 2.2. The World Amateur Women's Championship shall be held as a separate section if there are at least ten players from at least two continents. If not, the Women players will compete in the Open.
- 2.3. FIDE-member Federations shall have the right to send as many players as they wish.
- 2.4. The top 3 players from each Continental Amateur Championship preceding this edition are qualified with personal rights and their places cannot be substituted.

3. ENTRY FEES & REGISTRATION FEES

- 3.1 The entry fee for the first two nominees of each National Federation is FREE. The entry fee for additional players shall be 30 euro each and which is payable to the Organizing Committee.
- 3.2 All (first 2 nominees, Continental Qualifiers & Additional) players and accompanying persons shall pay a registration fee of 100 euros each to the Organizing Committee.

4. REGISTRATION

- 4.1. Entry forms must be sent from the National Federations of the players and returned to the Organizing Committee no later than Tuesday, **25 February 2014**. If the registration is not forwarded by the Federation, a copy must be sent to the National Federation.
- 4.2. The registration email (which must be sent to Organizer by the email: thomas@singaporechess.org.sg), must include the surname/s, first name/s, FIDE ID number, FIDE rating, Date of Birth and Passport Number (for purpose of visa only) of each player and each accompanying person.
- 4.3. At the time of registration (**by Tuesday, 25 February 2014**), the amount of **100 Euros** (registration fee) + **50% of the total accommodation cost** must be transferred, free of bank charges, to the following bank account for each participant and / or accompanying person(s). The rest of payments must be made latest on arrival. Delegations are advised to pay the total amount of their expenses through the bank account before their arrival.
- 4.4. According to the FIDE regulations, the participating Federations / persons shall cover the travel expenses of all players, coaches and accompanying persons. All participants should confirm the date and hour of their arrival in Singapore before **Friday, 11 April 2014**.
- 4.5. The Organizers will assure transfer from the Singapore Changi Airport to the resort, on the official arrival and departure days. Transportation on days other than the official days is possible based on prior request. **The transfer bus will be as scheduled by the Organizers and published on the official site.**
- 4.6. **Account Name:** Singapore Chess Federation
Account Holder's Address: 51 Bishan Street 13, #02-01A SIGC, Singapore 579799
Bank: DBS Bank
Account Number: 001 – 043184 – 6
Swift Code: DBSSSGSG
Bank's Address: Shenton Way, Singapore

Once the bank transfer has been received, the Organizing Committee will issue and send the assigned booking confirmation.

5. PLAYING VENUE & ACCOMMODATION

- 5.1. The **Playing Hall** is the Pasir Ris Sports Hall (situated within Pasir Ris Sports and Recreation Centre).
- 5.2. The Organizing Committee shall provide free board and lodging (twin rooms with bath and/or shower) for players qualified from the Continental Amateur Championships.
- 5.3 Every participant and all National Delegations will have to register through the Organizing Committee and use the official lodging. Registrations, bookings and visa invitations are to be made only through the Organizing Committee.
- 5.4 Accommodation (without meals) will be provided at the **Costa Sands Resort (Downtown East)**, <http://www.costasands.com.sg/downtowneast/>, at the following rates:

Deluxe Room (Twin Beds)	Single	115 Euros / night
	Double	58 Euros / night / person
Deluxe Plus (Twin beds with 2 pull-out beds)	Triple	40 Euros / night / person
	Quadruple	30 Euros / night / person

- 5.5 Lodging payments for all players and accompanying persons must be made in advance as described in the registration process with the remaining 50% latest by arrival.
- 5.6 Lodging payments must be paid in EUR Currency (Euros). No future payments of lodging bills will be accepted. Cancellations are not possible after **Friday, 11 April 2014**.

6. VISA INFORMATION

- 6.1. Teams or players needing visas are requested to contact the Organizing Committee before **Tuesday, 01 April 2014** and apply on time to the Singapore Authorities. The Organizing Committee will provide invitations for visas only after the necessary deposit payments are confirmed.

7. TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE & TIME CONTROL

7.1. The tournament will be played according to Swiss System in 9 Rounds.

7.2. Schedule:

25 April 2014	Friday		Arrival
26 April 2014	Saturday	0930	Technical Meeting - Pairings
		1500	Opening Ceremony and Round 1
27 April 2014	Sunday	0930	Round 2
		1630	Round 3
28 April 2014	Monday	1500	Round 4
29 April 2014	Tuesday	1500	Round 5
30 April 2014	Wednesday		Free Day
01 May 2014	Thursday	0930	Round 6
		1630	Round 7
02 May 2014	Friday	1500	Round 8
03 May 2014	Saturday	0930	Round 9
		1500	Closing Ceremony
04 May 2014	Sunday		Departure

7.3. Rate of play will be 40 moves in first 2 hours followed by 30 minutes for the rest of the game (5 hours maximum).

7.4. Participants who do not attend the Technical Meeting may not be paired for the first round unless prior notification has been given.

8. PRIZES – TITLES

8.1. The Prize Fund is distributed as follows:

Open (€ 5,000) : 1,500; 1,000; 700; 450; 350; 300; 250; 200; 150 and 100.

Women (€ 2,500) : 1000; 750; 400; 250 and 100. (subjected to Rule 2.2 and depending on the number of entries if below 8).

8.2. Prize money will be divided equally between tied players.

8.3. The respective Champions shall be awarded the title of FIDE Master/WFM. The winners of the Silver and Bronze Medals (after tiebreak) shall be awarded the CM/WCM title.

8.4. If the Women's section is merged with the Open, FIDE Title Regulation 1.23a will be applied: If groups are combined to make a bigger group, then the requirements (at least 8 participants from at least 3 federations) in 1.22 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.

8.5. Top 20 players of the Open Section and Top 10 players of the Women's Section (if Rule 2.2 above is met) will each receive a trophy. Certificates of Participation will be awarded to all players who complete the competition.

9. FIDE TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

9.1. The FIDE Technical Delegate, the Chief Arbiter and the Appeals Committee will be announced later.

10. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE'S CONTACT

Address: 51 Bishan Street 13, #02-01A SIGC, Singapore 579799

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