







# ASIAN AMATEUR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2016 OPEN & WOMEN

# 11<sup>TH</sup> -19<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2016 - ISFAHAN, IRAN

#### **INVITATION**

The Iranian Chess Federation (IRCF) in cooperation with Isfahan Chess Association on behalf of the Asian Chess Federation (ACF) invite chess players from all Asian countries which are members of FIDE to participate in the Asian Amateur Chess Championships held from 11<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> November 2016, Isfahan, Iran.

# 1. Participation

- 1.1 The Asian Amateur Championships 2016 is open to all Asian amateur players who should not have a FIDE rating above 2100 at the start of the tournament.
- 1.2 Players should not have a FIDE title higher than FIDE Master (i.e. WIM, WGM, IM and GM);
- 1.3 All participants must have a FIDE ID to participate in this tournament.

# 2. Financial Regulations

- 2.1 Entry Fee: The Entry Fee is 25USD. After the deadline of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2016, the surcharge of 50USD shall be applicable for late entries.
- 2.2 <u>Registration Fee</u>: The registration fee includes the costs for airport transfers, accreditation cards, certificates, etc. All players and accompanying persons must pay the fee as below:
  - From Imam Khomeini International Airport (IKA) to the official hotel and back: 100USD
  - From Isfahan International Airport (IFN) to the official hotel and back: 50USD
- 2.3 The travelling costs of all participants must be paid by themselves or by their national federations.
- 2.4 <u>The deadline of registration is 1<sup>st</sup> November 2016</u>. However, organizers reserve the right to refuse registration.
- 2.5 All the payments must be paid upon arrival in cash.

#### 3. Playing Venue & Official Hotel

- 3.1. The playing venue shall be Imam Ali Sport Complex, Mirza Taher St., Shahid Kharazi Freeway, Isfahan, Iran.
- 3.2 Official hotel will be Isfahan hotel, Motahari St., Isfahan, Iran.











- 3.3 Two (2) players per country, one male and one female players, are entitled to free board and lodging for 8 nights starting from 11<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at the official hotel in triple-room or four-person room basis. Arrangement of rooms is on first register first serve basis.
- 3.4 All other players and all accompanying persons should pay the cost for board and lodging (with breakfast, lunch & dinner) per person per night as given below.

Hotel Name	Single Room	Double Room	Triple Room	Four-Person Room
Isfahan	110USD	60USD	50USD	40 USD

- 3.5 All participants are obliged to lodge at the official hotels.
- 3.6 Bookings of official hotel for the event should be done only through the organizers.

#### 4. Tournament Format

- 4.1 The Fide Laws of Chess shall apply.
- 4.2 The tournament will be played according to the Swiss system of 9 rounds.
- 4.3 Time control: Each player shall have 90 minutes with the addition of 30 seconds per move starting from the first move.
- 4.4 Default time is 30 minutes.
- 4.5 The final ranking order of the players is determined by the number of points scored. If at the end of the tournament two or more players are tied for ranking or any prize, tie shall be broken as in accordance to the following:
  - a- Direct encounter
  - b- Buchholz Cut 1
  - c- Buchholz Cut 2
  - d- The greater number of wins
  - e- Sum of Buchholz

#### 5. Schedule

Date	Day	Time	Program
11 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Friday	All Day	Arrival
12 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Saturday	10:00	Technical Meeting
12 NOV.		16:00	Round 1
13 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Sunday	09:00	Round 2
15 NOV.		16:00	Round 3
14 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Monday	16:00	Round 4
15 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Tuesday	09:00	Round 5
15 <sup></sup> Nov.		16:00	Round 6
16 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Wednesday	16:00	Round 7
17 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Thursday	16:00	Round 8
		09:00	Round 9
18 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Friday	16:00	Closing Ceremony
19 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Saturday	Before 12:00	Departure











#### 6. Prizes

- 6.1 Finishing first equal up to 3 players or Silver & Bronze Medal (after tiebreak) winners shall be awarded the CM/WCM title.
- 6.2 Certificates and cash prize will be awarded to the top players in each category as given below.

Open Category				
Ranking	Prizes (USD)			
1 <sup>st</sup>	1500			
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1000			
3 <sup>rd</sup>	800			
4 <sup>th</sup>	600			
5 <sup>th</sup>	400			
Best Under 2000	150			
Best Under 1900	150			
Best Under 1800	150			
Best Under 1700	150			
Best Unrated	150			

Women Category		
Ranking	Prizes (USD)	
$1^{st}$	1000	
$2^{\text{nd}}$	600	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	400	
Best Under 1900	100	
Best Under 1800	100	
Best Under 1700	100	
Best Unrated	100	

# 7. Appeals Committee

- 7.1 The Appeals Committee shall comprise 3 persons. In the event that the Appeals Committee is appointed by the Technical Meeting, there should be an additional 2 reserve members and in this case, no member shall take part in a decision affecting a player of his own federation.
- 7.2 A protest against the decision of an Arbiter must be submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter, within 15 minutes after the end of the playing session.
- 7.3. A protest fee of 20USD shall be paid to the organizer which is refundable if the protest is upheld. The Appeals Committee may also decide to refund the fee if it considers that the appeal was not frivolous.
- 7.4 The decision of the Appeals Committee is final, binding and takes effect immediately.

# 8. Visa Arrangements

8.1 All players and accompanying persons who require a visa to enter Iran must send a copy of passport (page with photo and key information) to the organizer before the deadline of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2016 after which the organizer shall not be responsible.











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