



ASIAN AMATEUR CHESS CHAMPONSHIPS 2017

Open & Women

23-30 November 2017 Chiang Mai, Thailand

Invitation

Thailand Chess Association(TCA) in cooperation with Bangapi Chess Club on behalf of the Asian Chess Federation (ACF) invites chess players from all Asian countries which are members of FIDE to participate in the Asian Amateur Chess Championships scheduled 23rd to 30th November 2017 in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

1.Participation

1.1 The Asian Amateur Championships 2017 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 Free: The Entry Fee is 30 USD. After the deadline of 1st November 2017, the surcharge of 60 USD shall be applicable for late entries.

2.2 Registration Fee: The registration fee includes the cost for airport transfers in Chiang Mai, accreditation cards, certificates, etc. All players and accompanying persons must pay fee: 50 USD



2.3 The travelling costs of all participants must be paid by themselves or by their national federations.

2.4 The deadline of registration is 1st November 2017. However, organizers reserve the right to refuse registration.

2.5 All the payment must be paid upon arrival in cash.

3. Playing Venue & Official Hotel

3.1 The playing venue shall be North University Auditorium, Chiang Mai, Thailand.

3.2 Official hotel will be 4 Star Hotel.

3.3 Two (2) players per country, one male and one female players, are entitled to free board and lodging for seven (7) nights starting from night of 23rd to night of 29th November 2017 at official hotel. Arrangement of rooms is on first registered first served 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	Single Room	Double Room	Triple Room
3-4 Star	110 USD	60 USD	50 USD

3.5 All participants are obliged to lodge at the official hotels.

3.6 Booking 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 numbers of wins
- e. Buchholz

5. Schedule

Date	Day	Time	Program
23-Nov	Thursday	All Day	Arrival
24-Nov	Friday	10.00	Technical Meeting
		16.00	Round 1
25-Nov	Saturday	9.00	Round 2
		16.00	Round 3
26-Nov	Sunday	16.00	Round 4
27-Nov	Monday	9.00	Round 5
		16.00	Round 6
28-Nov	Tuesday	9.00	Round 7
		16.00	Round 8
29-Nov	Wednesday	9.00	Round 9
		16.00	Closing Ceremony
30-Nov	Thursday	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. For a direct title to be awarded immediately an applicant has to have achieved at some time or other a minimum rating of 2000 for CM and 1800 for WCM.



6.2 Certificates and cash prize will be awarded to top players in each category as given below.

Open Category	
Ranking	Prizes (USD)
1st	1500
2nd	1000
3rd	800
4th	600
5th	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)
1st	1000
2nd	600
3rd	400
Best Under 2000	100
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 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 20 USD 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 person who require a visa to enter Thailand must send a copy of passport (page with photo and key information) to the organizers before the deadline of 1st November 2017 after which the organizer shall not be responsible.

9. Contacts

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