





13th Asian Schools Chess Championship 2017

Open & Girls under 7, 9, 11, 13, 15 & 17

Panjin, Liaoning, China • 20th to 30th July 2017

INVITATION

Chinese Chess Association under the auspices of the Asian Chess Federation and World Chess Federation, has the honour to invite all Asian national chess federations to participate in the 13th Asian Schools Chess Championship 2017 to be organized in Panjin city, Liaoning province, China from 20th July (arrival) to 30th July (departure) 2017.

1. General Regulations & Rules

The Championships shall be governed by the General Regulations for FIDE Competitions and these Rules.

2. Participation

2.1 There shall be 6 categories, namely Under-07, Under-09, Under-11, Under-13, Under-15 and Under-17 with separate events for Open and Girls.

2.2 Entitled to participate are players who shall not have reached the age of 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, and 17 before 1 January 2017:

Under-07:	Born on or after 1 January 2010
Under-09:	Born on or after 1 January 2008
Under-11:	Born on or after 1 January 2006
Under-13:	Born on or after 1 January 2004
Under-15:	Born on or after 1 January 2002
Under-17:	Born on or after 1 January 2000

2.3 Every Asian national chess federation can register one official player in each category (open/girls) totaling a maximum of 12 players. No substitution from other categories can be made in case there is no official player in any category.

2.4 Asian national chess federations shall have the right to send as many extra players as they wish but they are responsible for all their own expenses.

3. Financial Regulations

3.1 Entry Fee: The Entry Fee is 75 USD for official players and 150 USD for additional players. After the deadline of 20th June 2017, the surcharge for late entries of USD 50 shall be applicable.

3.2 Registration Fee: All players and accompanying persons must pay a registration fee of 100 USD to the organizer. The registration fee includes the costs for airport transfers, Accreditation Cards, Certificates, etc.

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

3.4 Participants should transfer the money to the bank account below and then send the receipt to organizers emails. Please mention "Asian Schools 2017" in the bank transfer note.

Bankers:	Bank of China Panjin Branch	
Address:	No.116, Xinlongtai Street, Xinglongtai District, Panjin, Liaoning, China	
SWIFT Code:	BKCHCNBJ810	
USD Account Number:	307772776849	
Account Name:	Panjin Hexiang Culture Media Co., Ltd	

It is noted that the bank commission fee shall be paid by the participants.

3.5 The deadline of registration is 20th June 2017. The registration should be made through national federations together with the registration form.

4. Playing Venue & Official Hotel

4.1 The Playing Venue is Liaohe Art Museum.

4.2 The organizer will provide several hotels with different levels for the participants.

4.2.1 Swish Hotel-Panjin *****

Distance: 2.9 km to Art Museum

4.2.2 Pullman Hotel*****

Distance: 1.6 km to Art Museum

4.2.3 Panjin Ecological Hotel****

Distance: 3.6 km to Art Museum

4.2.4 Panjin Hoilday Inn****

Distance: 2.4 km to Art Museum

4.2.5 Huaxin Hotel***

Distance: 2.2km to Art Museum

4.2.6 Zhixuan Hoilday Inn***

Distance: 3km to Art Museum

4.3 All Official players, one (1) player per country or region in each category and one (1) Head of Delegation (FIDE accredited trainers) per country are entitled to free Board and lodging for 9 nights starting from 20th July to 30th July 2017 at the Official Hotel in double-room or triple-room basis. Arrangement of rooms is on first registered first served basis.

4.4 All additional players and all other accompanying persons should pay the cost for board and lodging (with breakfast, lunch & dinner) per person per day as given below. If the specified room type is not available when organizer received the payments, organizer has the right to modify the room type according to the availability.

Hotel	Single room	Twin room	Double room	Upgrade
	(per person)	(per person)	(per room)	(per person)
***	95\$	65\$	110\$	30\$
****	110\$	70\$	125\$	40\$
****	130\$	80\$	145\$	50\$

4.5 Hotel fees including three meals are as below: (per person/per night)

4.6 All participants and all accompanying persons are obliged to lodge at the official Hotels. Bookings of official Hotel for the event should be done through the organizers only.

5. Format of Play

5.1 Time control: Each player shall have 90 minutes for the game with the addition of 30 seconds per move starting from the first move.

5.2 Where possible, each category shall be conducted in the Swiss System of 9 rounds.

5.3 Default time for arriving to the chessboard is 30 minutes.

6. Schedule

Date	Time	Details	
20 th July 2017		Arrival	
	20:00	Technical Meeting	
21 st July 2017	9:00	Opening Ceremony	
	14:30	Rapid Championship	
22 nd July 2017	9:00	Round 1	
	15:30	Round 2	
23 rd July 2017	9:00	Round 3	
24 th July 2017	9:00	Round 4	
	15:30	Round 5	
25 th July 2017	Rest Day		
26 th July 2017	9:00	Round 6	
	15:30	Round 7	
27 th July 2017	9:00	Round 8	
28 th July 2017	9:00	Round 9	
	9:00	Blitz Championship	
29 th July 2017	16:30	Awards&Closing Ceremony	
30 th July 2017	Departure		

7. Tie-break System

7.1 The final ranking order of the players is determined by the number of points scored.

7.2 If at the end of the tournament two or more players are tied for the first place or for any prize, the tie shall be broken as in accordance to the following:

a. Direct Encounter

b. The greater number of wins

c. The greater number of games with black (unplayed games shall be counted as played with white)

d. Buchholz Cut 1

e. Buchholz

f. Sonneborn-Berger

8. Prizes

8.1 Medals will be awarded to the top 3 players and trophies will be awarded to the champion in each category.

8.2 Certificates of Participation shall be given to players and FIDE accredited trainers.

8.3 For Under-13, Under-15 & Under-17 categories, finishing first (after tie-break) shall be awarded the FM/WFM title. The Silver & Bronze Medal (after tie-break) winners shall be awarded the CM/WCM title.

8.4 For Under-07, Under-09 & Under-11 categories, finishing first equal up to 3 players or Silver & Bronze Medal (after tiebreak) winners shall be awarded the CM/WCM title.

9. Appeals Committee

9.1 The Appeals Committee shall comprise 3 persons. 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.

9.2 A protest against the decision of an Arbiter must be submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter, within two hours after the end of the playing session.

9.3. A protest fee of USD 100 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.

9.4 The decision of the Appeals Committee is final, binding and takes effect immediately.

10. Visa

All players and accompanying persons who require a visa to enter China must send a copy of passport (page with photo and key information) and registration form (attached) to the Organizer before the deadline of 20^{th} June 2017 after which the Organizer shall not be responsible.

11. Travel Information

11.1 Participants may arrive at Shenyang Taoxian International Airport (ZYTX) or Dalian Zhoushuizi International Airport (ZYTL).

The distance from Shenyang Taoxian airport to hotel is 180km which takes 2 hours by bus.

The distance from Dalian Zhoushuizi airport to hotel is 280km which takes 3 hours by bus.

11.2 The organizer will arrange the transportation from the above-mentioned airports to the hotel for arrival and departure during the schedule dates.

12. Contact

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