



Player's Contract for Participation in the FIDE World Cup 2019

The World Chess Federation (FIDE) is the governing body of the FIDE World Cup 2019 (hereinafter referred to as the World Cup).

In order to ensure the World Cup 2019 is played in accordance with its approved regulations, the statutes and the decisions of FIDE, the following provisions shall apply:

1. Venue

1.1 The World Cup 2019 will consist of seven (7) rounds.

The dates and place of the tournament are the following:
September 9th (arrival) – October 4th (departure) – Khanty-Mansiysk, Russia

Depending on force majeure circumstances, FIDE reserves the right to change venue and dates.

1.2 All participants of the World Cup 2019 are expected but not obliged to stay in the officially designated hotel(s).

2. Confirmation deadlines

2.1 The list of invited players and reserves is published on the FIDE website.

2.2. All players are expected to sign their respective contract and send it scanned to the FIDE Secretariat by the registered email before August 01st 2019. Additional contracts between the organizer and the players may be signed if needed.

2.3 A player who does not submit his/her contract within the deadline shall be replaced according to article 2.4 of the Regulations for the FIDE World Cup 2019 (GSC may accept late contracts received after the deadline only for serious reasons). Players qualified as replacements have one further week to send their signed contracts.

2.4. A player who signs his contract but withdraws is replaced as described in Article 2.4 of the Regulations for the FIDE World Cup 2019.

2.5. No player that withdraws after the pairings are announced is replaced.

2.6. Players who fail to provide a satisfactory reason for withdrawal, after they have signed the contract, could be sanctioned by the decision of the FIDE Presidential Board.

3. The Player's Obligations

3.1 By signing this contract, the player commits himself to completing the World Cup 2019 in accordance with the Regulations for the World Cup 2019, the decisions of the FIDE General Assembly, FIDE Presidential Board and FIDE President, FIDE Code of Ethics, FIDE Anti-Doping Disciplinary Regulations, FIDE Anti-Cheating Guidelines, FIDE Statutes, FIDE Laws of Chess which form an integral part of this contract, except in the case of illness evidenced by a medical certificate or other reasons which are recognized valid by the decision of FIDE GSC. FIDE is entitled to require independent verification of any medical reason given for non-participation or withdrawal.

3.2 By signing this contract, the player agrees not to compete in any cycle, tournament or match outside of FIDE, with the purpose of establishing a World Chess Champion, for a period of 4 (four) years from the end of the World Cup 2019.

3.3 FIDE, in accordance with the World Cup 2019 Regulations, reserves the right to penalize any player who, after signing this contract, fails to complete the World Cup 2019 without a valid reason.

3.4 During the World Cup 2019 the players are obliged to attend press-conferences, give interviews and make public appearances, respecting the dress code as described in the Regulations for the FIDE World Cup 2019. Any breach can result in fines according to the Regulations for the FIDE World Cup 2019.

3.5 The players are required to appear punctually for the beginning of each game.

3.6 The players are required to attend the Technical Meeting, Opening Ceremony or any official reception specifically approved by the FIDE GSC and/or Organizers. The participants of the round 7 matches are obliged to attend the closing ceremony.

3.7 The players are not permitted to bring into the playing area any telephone, technical and other equipment extraneous to play, which may in any way disturb or upset the opponent. The Chief Arbiter shall decide what constitutes extraneous equipment liable to offend the opponent.

3.8 The player accepts that the arbiters may carry out any inspection or security checks at any time just before the start of the game, during the game or immediately after the game to ensure that no electronic or other equipment has been brought into the playing hall by the players.

3.9 During the playing session, a player may leave the playing area only with the permission of the Chief Arbiter and only if he/she is accompanied by one of the arbiters.

3.10 Every player should purchase a suitable travel/health insurance policy for the duration of the World Cup 2019. Neither FIDE nor Organizers bears liability to cover any related costs.

3.11. Every player shall provide up-to-date and complete bank details as per Annex I hereto according to the relevant instructions.

3.12. The dress code is strictly observed:

3.12.1. Dress code for men: neat shirt and formal suit.

3.12.2. Dress code for women: neat shirt/blouse and formal suit (with slacks or skirt) or dress.

3.12.3. No players with t-shirts, jeans, shorts, sneakers, baseball caps or inappropriate dress are allowed in a playing area. Any requests to wear national or traditional dress must be approved by GSC.

3.13. The game score sheets are the property of FIDE. At the end of each standard game the players' original scoresheets are to be given to the Chief Arbiter, who shall forward them to FIDE. Refusal of either player to sign the scoresheets shall be penalized according to Article 12.9 of the Laws of Chess. After the players have signed the scoresheets, the Arbiter countersigns to confirm the results.

4. Financial conditions

4.1 The total prize fund amounts to 1 600 000 US dollars. The amount is net and cleared of any local taxes.

4.2 The regular prizes shall be allocated as follows (in US dollars):

Round	Number of Players	Prize	Sum of Prizes per Round
Round 1	64	6,000	384,000
Round 2	32	10,000	320,000
Round 3	16	16,000	256,000
Round 4	8	25,000	200,000
Round 5	4	35,000	140,000
4th place	1	50,000	50,000
3rd place	1	60,000	60,000
Runner-up	1	80,000	80,000
Winner	1	110,000	110,000
TOTAL	128		1,600,000

4.2 The prize money are paid by direct banker's order drawn in USD. Within fourteen (14) working days after completion of the event and reception of player's bank details, FIDE transfers players' prize money to his bank account. The player is obliged to provide FIDE and Organizers with his or her bank account's details for the purpose of obtaining prize money along with the sending of the signed Contract.

4.3 FIDE is not responsible for any national local tax deducted from the prize money.

5. Arbitration

5.1 Any dispute arising from or related to the present contract must be submitted in writing to the Presidential Board, which will decide on the matter. In case an acceptable solution is not found, each party may submit the case to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne, Switzerland, which will resolve the case definitively in accordance with Swiss Law. The court proceedings shall take place in English.

5.2. In all matters not regulated by the present Contract parties shall be guided by the Regulations for the FIDE World Cup 2019.

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By signing this contract, I hereby confirm that I will participate in the FIDE World Cup 2019 and have in consultation with my national federation acquainted myself with the applicable FIDE Statutes, Regulations for the FIDE World Cup 2019, FIDE Code of Ethics, FIDE Anti-Doping Disciplinary Regulations, FIDE Anti-Cheating Guidelines, FIDE Laws of Chess, and accept the conditions related to my participation. In addition, I confirm my acquaintance with Regulations for the FIDE World Cup 2019 and accept all the responsibilities of a player as per Regulations for the FIDE World Cup 2019.

Place and date:

Full Name of Player:

SIGNATURE OF PLAYER: