





Zone 4.2 Individual Chess Championships 2019

Dates:4th to 12th May, 2019

Venue: Bahari Beach Hotel Mombasa, Kenya

INVITATION

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1. Zone 4.2 Individual Chess Championships 2019

The Zone 4.2 Individual Chess Championships 2019 will comprise an Open Section and a Women's section. The event will be held from 4th May, 2019 (arrival) to 12th May, 2019(departure) at the Bahari Beach Hotel Mombasa, Kenya

2. PARTICIPANTS

- i. In accordance with FIDE regulations, the Zone 4.2 Individual Championships are open to all players from federations within the Zone 4.2 region which are affiliated to FIDE.
- ii. Federations will be allowed to enter a maximum of five (5) players in each category.
- iii. The host federation reserves the right to field up to eight (7) players in each category and also hold a player in reserve; that can be registered in the event that there are an odd number of participants.
- iv. The Continental President may nominate additional participants for the tournament.

3. TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

- i. It is intended that the Championships will be played in accordance with FIDE regulations as a 9 Round Swiss System tournament.
- ii. The time control will be 90 minutes for the first 40 moves, followed by 30 minutes for the rest of the game, with an increment of 30 seconds per move starting from move one (1).
- iii. The games will be played using DGT clocks; and pairing will be published on the www.chess-results.com website.
- iv. The Swiss Manager Administration and Pairing Program will be used for the Championship, and players from the same Federation may not be paired together in the last round.
- v. Draw offers are not allowed before Black's 30th move.
- vi. A default time of 15 minutes will be applied.

4. TIE-BREAK

In case of a tie for the overall winner or other places, the tie will be broken as follows:

- a) By the results between the players involved in the tie
- b) Buchholz, the highest number wins;
- c) Number of wins, the highest number wins;
- d) Number of wins by black, the highest wins
- e) The highest rating

5. TITLE AWARDS

The winner in the Open Section will be awarded the International Master (IM) title whilst the winner in the Women's Section will be awarded the Woman International Master (WIM) title subject to ratings requirements.

Other titles will be awarded in accordance with FIDE title regulations.

6 QUALIFICATION FOR THE 2019 FIDE WORLD CUP

The Zone 4.2 Individual chess championship 2019 is a qualification event for the 2019 FIDE World Cup which will take place in Khanty-Mansiysk, Russia from September 9, 2019 to October 2, 2019.

The winner in the Open Section will be one of the SIX qualifiers to represent the African Continent at the 2019 FIDE World Cup.

7. PRIZES

OPEN SECTION

Winner: US\$ 1,000 Second Place: US\$ 750 Third Place: US\$ 500 Fourth Place: US\$ 300 Fifth Place: US\$ 200 **WOMEN'S SECTION**

Winner: US\$ 500 Second Place: US\$ 300 Third Place: US\$ 200

8. TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

The tournament schedule is as follows but subject to some changes if need be. However, any change to the schedule will be communicated during the Technical Meeting before the start of 1St round.

Table 1: Schedule of Tournament

Dates	Time	Activities	
Saturday, May 4 th	From 10.00hrs.	Official Arrival	
	18:00 hrs	Opening Ceremony	
Sunday, May 5 th	11:00 hrs.	Technical Meeting	
	15:00 hrs	Round 1	
Monday, May 6 th	10:00 hrs	Round 2	
	17:00 hrs	Round 3	
Tuesday, May 7 th	10.00 hrs	Round 4	
	17:00 hrs	Round 5	
Wednesday, May 8 th	ALL DAY	Free Day	
	17:00hrs	Round 6	
Thursday, May 9 th	10.00 hrs	Round 7	
Friday, May 10 th	10.00 hrs	Round 8	
	17:00 hrs	Round 9	
	09.00 hrs	Rapid and Blitz	
Saturday, May 11 th		Championships	
	17:00 hrs	Awards Ceremony	
Sunday, May 12 th		Departure	

9. CHIEF ARBITER & APPEALS COMMITTEE

The Chief Arbiter and other additional arbiters for the Zone 4.2 Chess Championships 2019 will be appointed by the ACC President.

The Appeals Committee, appointed by ACC President, will consist of 3 members and 2 reserves chosen from among the participating Federations.

Protests should be submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter within two hours (2 hours) after the end of the round in question, with a **US \$50.00** deposit. The deposit is refundable, if the appeal is successful.

10. BOARD AND LODGING

- i. Participating Federations will receive free board and lodging for one player in each category.
- ii. All additional players, officials and accompanying persons from participating federations will pay **USD 60.00** per person per day (sharing) and **USD 75.00** per person per day (single) in the Bahari Beach Hotel. These indicated costs include 3 meals per day (Breakfast, Lunch, and Supper).
- iii. All payments related to board and lodging must be effected before 15st April 2019 which will be the deadline.
- iv. Participants and officials needing to make payment on arrival must make a formal specific request to the Organizers.
- v. If payments are not received before the Technical Meeting, players will not be allowed to participate in the tournament.
- vi. Players, officials and accompanying persons who arrive before the 4th May 2019 or depart after 12th May 2019 will be expected to arrange their own accommodation for the extra days or pay for the additional days at the tournament lodging venue, Sheridan Hotel.
 - vii. <u>Important note:</u> all payments regarding Board and Lodging must be made to the account of the Chess Kenya as indicated in item 13 before **15**st **April 2019**.

11. ACC TOURNAMENT FEES

i. In accordance with ACC regulations ACC fee of **US\$50.00** is required for each player.

Federations are expected to pay entry fees for all their players and the fees must be paid directly to ACC account as detailed here:

ACC Bank Details

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Account Name	African Chess Confederation	
USD Account Number	62789737396	
ZKW Account Number	62789460525	
Bank Name	FNB	
Branch	Commercial	
Branch Code	260001	
Swift Code	FIRNZMLXX	
Bank Address	Plot No. 22768	
	Acarcia Business Park	
	Corner of Great East & Thabo Mbeki Road	
	Lusaka	
	Zambia	

ii. Players whose fees will not have been paid will not be allowed to participate in the tournament.

12. REGISTRATION FEES

- i. The Registration Fee for each participating player is **US\$ 60.00** and must be paid into Chess Kenya Federation account before **15**th **April 2019**.
- ii. Payments may also be made upon arrival; provided a request is made to the Organizers.
- iii. Players whose fees remain unpaid at the start of the Technical Meeting will not be allowed to participate in the tournament.
- iv. Only Federations can register players.
- v. The Registration Fee for officials and accompanying person will be **US\$ 60.00** each.
- vi. No refunds will be made for any player, official or accompanying person who fails to make it to the Tournament after paying registration or FIDE fees. Registration Forms for entries are attached herein; Registration may also be completed on the Africa Chess App available on Google Play Store. Federation officials must fill them in and return them to the designated Chess Kenya officials on or before 15st April 2019 by e-mail to confirm entry.
- vii. All registered players, officials and accompanying persons are entitled to:

- Free Transfer (to and from) Mombasa International Airport on arrival and departure.
- Shuttle to various places in the city depending on the Shuttle schedule.

13. CHESS KENYA FEDERATION BANK DETAILS

All Registration fee payments should be remitted to the following bank account of the Chess Kenya:

Bank Name: Cooperative Bank of Kenya

Bank Code: 11

Branch Name: Upperhill

Branch Code: 037

Account Name: Chess Kenya Account number: 01134162629400 SWIFT CODE: KCOOKENA

(For all payments do send proof of payment, with reference of Zone 4.2, your Federation name and names of players, officials and accompanying persons being registered)

14. TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

- i. All traveling arrangements and costs to and from Mombasa International Airport are to be taken care of by respective Federations or respective players participating in the tournament.
- Organizers will meet participants and accompanying persons at Mombasa International Airport provided that full itinerary for each participant and their accompanying persons are communicated to the organizers in advance, (not later than 15th April 2019).

15. VISAS

For delegations coming from countries requiring entry visas into Kenya, these can be obtained from Kenyan Embassies or Consulate Offices in respective countries.

Most countries can also obtain Visas on arrival at the Airport (please crosscheck this before setting off).

The Chess Kenya Federation will avail official invitation letters to participants that need copies for the processing of their Visas.

16. LOCAL CURRENCY

The local currency is Kenyan Shilling(Ksh). Current Exchange Rate is 1 Dollar for Ksh.105.

17. DEADLINE

- i. Entry forms must be filled by the respective Federation and returned to the host federation not later than 15st April 2019. This date is the registration deadline.
- ii. Late registration attracts a penalty charge of **US\$30.00** The host Federation will thereafter reserve the right to accept or reject any player.
- iii. Players who arrive unannounced will cover all their costs.

18. TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

The Tournament Committee for the Zone 4.2 Individual Championships will be as follows:

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ZONE 4.2 COUNTRIES AFFILIATED TO THE AFRICAN CHESS CONFEDERATION

Burundi, Djibouti, Egypt, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Kenya, Rwanda, Seychelles, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda.

Looking forward to host you, Karibu Kenya, Hakuna Matata

Yours Sincerely,

CHESS KENYA FEDERATION

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Benard Wanjala PRESIDENT

Zone 4.2 Individual Chess Championships 2019

REGISTRATION FORM

Federation name

Contact person						
Email						
Telephone						
Open Section						
Surname	Name	Fide ID	Fide	rating	Title	
Women Section Surname	Name	Fide ID	Fide	rating	Title	
Accompanying	g persons					
Surname		Name	Name		Designation	

