

# The 2007 World Chess Championship - Candidates Matches

## Elista, Kalmykia, Russia, May 26-June 14, 2007

### 1. Event

The Candidates Matches will take place in Elista, Kalmykia, Russia May 26<sup>th</sup> till June 14<sup>th</sup> 2007. The participants, according to the Rules and Regulations for the Candidates Matches of the World Chess Championship 2007 art. 3.1.A

### World Championship - Candidates Matches

Elista, Kalmykia, Russia 2007-05-26/2007-06-14

Arbiter: IA Andrzej Filipowicz

| List of players |          |       |                      |      |           |           | FRL January 2006 |             |
|-----------------|----------|-------|----------------------|------|-----------|-----------|------------------|-------------|
|                 |          |       |                      |      |           |           | Official         | Exactly     |
| SNo.            | Code     | Title | Name                 | Fed. | Apr. 2007 | qualifica | Feb 21           | FIDE calcul |
| 1               | 13300474 | GM    | Aronian, Levon       | ARM  | 2759      | WCup 2005 | 2752             | 2751,70     |
| 2               | 703303   | GM    | Leko, Peter          | HUN  | 2738      |           | 2740             | 2740,40     |
| 3               | 14103320 | GM    | Ponomariov, Ruslan   | UKR  | 2717      |           | 2723             | 2723,10     |
| 4               | 2805677  | GM    | Gelfand, Boris       | ISR  | 2733      |           | 2723             | 2722,80     |
| 5               | 605506   | GM    | Bacrot, Etienne      | FRA  | 2709      |           | 2717             | 2716,80     |
| 6               | 4126025  | GM    | Grischuk, Alexander  | RUS  | 2717      |           | 2717             | 2716,50     |
| 7               | 700070   | GM    | Polgar, Judit        | HUN  | 2727      |           | 2711             | 2710,60     |
| 8               | 2209390  | GM    | Shirov, Alexei       | ESP  | 2699      |           | 2709             | 2709,40     |
| 9               | 400041   | GM    | Adams, Michael       | ENG  | 2734      |           | 2707             | 2707,40     |
| 10              | 4100140  | GM    | Bareev, Evgeny       | RUS  | 2643      |           | 2698             | 2698,40     |
| 11              | 4120787  | GM    | Malakhov, Vladimir   | RUS  | 2679      |           | 2694             | 2694,20     |
| 12              | 2000024  | GM    | Kamsky, Gata         | USA  | 2705      |           | 2686             | 2686,00     |
| 13              | 14200244 | GM    | Kasimdzhanov, Rustam | UZB  | 2677      |           | 2670             | 2670,00     |
| 14              | 4115309  | GM    | Rublevsky, Sergei    | RUS  | 2680      |           | 2665             | 2664,90     |
| 15              | 200930   | GM    | Gurevich, Mikhail    | TUR  | 2639      |           | 2633             | 2632,60     |
| 16              | 1503014  | GM    | Carlsen, Magnus      | NOR  | 2693      |           | 2625             | 2624,90     |

According to the FIDE Regulation article 3.1 and 3.2

#### 1st round

|    |                    |       |   |                     |       |
|----|--------------------|-------|---|---------------------|-------|
| 1. | Aronian Levon      | (ARM) | - | Carlsen Magnus      | (NOR) |
| 2. | Leko Peter         | (HUN) | - | Gurevich Mikhail    | (TUR) |
| 3. | Ponomarev Ruslan   | (UKR) | - | Rublevsky Sergei    | (RUS) |
| 4. | Gelfand Boris      | (ISR) | - | Kasimdzhanov Rustam | (UZB) |
| 5. | Bacrot Etienne     | (FRA) | - | Kamsky Gata         | (USA) |
| 6. | Grischuk Alexander | (RUS) | - | Malakhov Vladimir   | (RUS) |
| 7. | Polgar Judith      | (HUN) | - | Bareev Evgeny       | (RUS) |
| 8. | Shirov Alexei      | (ESP) | - | Adams Michael       | (ENG) |

### Round 2 of Candidates Matches (6 games)

Winners of the matches

|      |   |      |
|------|---|------|
| No 1 | - | No 8 |
| No 2 | - | No 7 |
| No 3 | - | No 6 |
| No 4 | - | No 5 |

### 2. Schedule

May 25 Arrival of players and arbiters

May 26 at ..... o'clock

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Opening ceremony and drawing of lots

Technical meeting

**First round of matches (16 players)**

|         |          |         |           |
|---------|----------|---------|-----------|
| May 27  | at 15.00 | o'clock | Game 1    |
| May 28  | at 15.00 | o'clock | Game 2    |
| May 29  | at 15.00 | o'clock | Game 3    |
| May 30  | Free day |         |           |
| May 31  | at 15.00 | o'clock | Game 4    |
| June 01 | at 15.00 | o'clock | Game 5    |
| June 02 | at 15.00 | o'clock | Game 6    |
| June 03 | at 13.00 | o'clock | Tiebreaks |
| June 04 | Free day |         |           |
| June 05 | Free day |         |           |

**Second round of matches (8 players)**

|         |           |         |                  |
|---------|-----------|---------|------------------|
| June 06 | at 15.00  | o'clock | Game 1           |
| June 07 | at 15.00  | o'clock | Game 2           |
| June 08 | at 15.00  | o'clock | Game 3           |
| June 09 | Free day  |         |                  |
| June 10 | at 15.00  | o'clock | Game 4           |
| June 11 | at 15.00  | o'clock | Game 5           |
| June 12 | at 15.00  | o'clock | Game 6           |
| June 13 | at 13.00  | o'clock | Tiebreaks        |
| June 14 | at .....  | o'clock | Closing ceremony |
| June 15 | Departure |         |                  |

**3. Match officials****Organizing Committee**

**Chairman** Mr. Valery BOVAEV

**Appeals Committee**

|          |                          |              |
|----------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Chairman | Mr. Georgios MAKROPOULOS | (Greece)     |
| Member   | Mr. Bolat ASSANOV        | (Kazakhstan) |
| Member   | Mr. Bozidar IVANOVIC     | (Montenegro) |
| Member   | Mr. Boris SPASSKY        | (France)     |

**Press Officer**

Dr. Peter RAJCSANYI (Hungary)

**Arbiters**

|                      |                             |          |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------|
| Chief Arbiter        | Mr. Andrzej FILIPOWICZ      | (Poland) |
| Deputy Chief Arbiter | Mr. Panagiotis NIKOLOPOULOS | (Greece) |
| Arbiter              | Mr. Mahdi ABDUL RAHIM       | (UAE)    |
| Arbiter              | Mr. Mehrdad PAHLEVANZADEH   | (Iran)   |
| Arbiter              | Mr. Vyacheslav NAMRUEV      | (Russia) |

**System of the Candidates Matches, the rate of play, tiebreaks**

Each match shall be played over six games and the winner of a match shall be the first player to score 3.5 points or more.

**Rate of play**

The time control for each game shall be: 2h/40 moves + 1h/20 moves + 15 minutes for the rest of the game plus an additional 30 seconds per move starting from move 61.

### **Tie-breaks**

- (a) If the scores are level after the regular six games, after a new drawing of colours, four (4) tie-break games shall be played. The games shall be played using the electronic clock starting with 25 minutes on the clock for each player with an addition of 10 seconds after each move.
- (b) if the scores are level after the games in paragraph 3. 7. 1, then, after a new drawing of colours, two (2) five-minute games shall be played with the addition of 10 seconds after each move.
- (c) If the score is still level, the players shall play a single decisive sudden death game. The player, who wins the drawing of lots, may choose the colour. White shall receive 6 minutes, Black shall receive 5 minutes, without any addition. The winner qualifies for the next round. In case of a draw the player with the black pieces qualifies to the next stage of the World Chess Championship cycle.

**Andrzej Filipowicz**  
**Chief Arbiter**