



2011 World Chess Team Championship

I. Invitation

The Chinese Chess Association with the patronage and support of the Ningbo Municipal Government and Ningbo Sports Bureau has the honour to announce the 2011 World Team Chess Championship in Ningbo China. The event will be held from July 15 2011(arrival) to July 27 2011 (Departure).

II. Participants:

II. a) Federations

According to FIDE Regulations D.07.11.6.2., the following Federations are entitled to send a team:

1. China (host country)
2. Russia (winner 2009)
3. Ukraine (Olympiad 2010)
4. Israel (Olympiad 2010)
5. Hungary (Olympiad 2010)
6. Azerbaijan (Europe qualifier)
7. India (Asia qualifier)
8. USA (America's qualifier)
9. Egypt (African qualifier)
10. Armenia (FIDE President's nomination)

II. b) Conditions for participants

Each team will consist of 5 athletes (4 players + 1 reserves) and one coach/captain of the team for a total of 6 persons. These 6 people from each participating team will be provided with full hospitality including lodging, accommodation in a single room of a 5-star hotel. Each additional or accompanying person will pay euros 100 for a single room and each person will pay euro 70 for a double room.

II. c) Players' Obligations:

- a) All players are obliged to participate in opening and closing ceremony.
- b) The tournament will be played according to zero tolerance rules.
- c) Drawing offer will not be made for the first 30 moves.

d) All federations participating accept that they will comply fully with these regulations

III. Venue:

The players will be hosted in Ningbo, China in New Century Grand Hotel Ningbo (5 stars). The tournament Hall will be in the hotel.

IV. Transportation:

Each federation is responsible to cover their own travelling expenses to Ningbo LICE International Airport or Ningbo Railway Station. From the Airport or the Rail Station to the Hotel in Ningbo, transportation will be provided for the 6 persons registered as the team for the participating federations. Any person registering late for the tournament will be responsible for their own transfer. Additional accompanying persons will be charged 100 euros for the trip from and to LICE International Airport or Ningbo Rail Station.

V. Registration:

The federations mentioned above are obliged to send their list of players and the name of captain by May 31 2011. After that date, FIDE is entitled to substitute the federations according to FIDE Regulations. Organisers will not cover the accommodation cost if any teams are late in their registration.

VI. System of play:

The championships will be played using a 9 round, round-robin system. Each team will play a match against all other teams. Colours and starting numbers will be drawn at the Opening Ceremony.

The time control: 90'/40 moves + 30'/end + 30" increment per move, starting from move 1.

Each round the list of the team composition for that round will be delivered to the arbiters at 9:00 am in the morning. Otherwise, that round the top 4 boards will be accepted as the playing team. For the last round the team composition will be delivered at 22:00.

VII. Scoring and ranking:

Each match will be scored by match points as used in the FIDE Olympiad. Winner will get 2 points, a draw will give each team 1 point, and a loss is scored as 0 points. If any teams finish with equal match points, the tie shall be resolved as follows:

- a). by board points in total.
- b). if a tie again results, the scores obtained by the tying teams against each other will decide;
- c). if a tie again results, then Berger system will be used.
- d). if a tie again results, it shall be decided by board count (Berlin System) as follows:

a win on Board 1 = 4 points

a win on Board 2 = 3 points

a win on Board 3 = 2 points

a win on Board 4 = 1 point

In case of drawn games these points are shared.

If the board-count results in no victory for either side then the board points of Board 4 are cancelled and so on upwards until the tie is broken.

e). if a tie still results between teams in contention for medals, these teams shall play a match against each other at a fast time-rate (15 minutes per player for the entire game);

f). if this match is indecisive, then lots shall be drawn.

VIII. The trophies

Cups will be awarded to the first three teams and gold, silver and bronze medals for all members (players, reserve and captain) of the first three teams respectively.

Players assigned to the same board number in their respective team lists will be in competition with each other for an individual board prize (gold, silver and bronze medals). For the purpose of this award, the players' percentage scores from their games will be compared, then points, number of games and performance.

Only the following will be eligible for board prizes:

Players of boards 1 to 4 who take part in at least 60% of the rounds (i.e. at least in 6 games for 9 rounds).

Players of board 5 who take part in at least 50% of the rounds (i.e. at least in 5 games for 9 rounds).

IX. Schedule:

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Day 1	15 July	Arrival
Day 2	16 July	Opening Ceremony 18:00
Day 3	17 July	15:00 Round 1
Day 4	18 July	15:00 Round 2
Day 5	19 July	15:00 Round 3
Day 6	20 July	15:00 Round 4
Day 7	21 July	15:00 Round 5
Day 8	22 July	Rest Day
Day 9	23 July	15:00 Round 6
Day 10	24 July	15:00 Round 7
Day 11	25 July	15:00 Round 8
Day 12	26 July	10:00 Round 9 Closing Ceremony in the evening
Day 13	27 July	Departure

X. Arbiters:

Chief Arbiter Mr. Panagiotis NIKOLOPOULOS (Greece). One Deputy Chief Arbiter and three arbiters are from China who should be International Arbiters and speak good English.

XI. Appeals Committee and procedure:

The procedure of an appeal shall be according to FIDE rules D.07.6.5.

Appeals Committee Chairman - Mr. Israel Gelfer (ISR), FIDE Vice President

Appeals Committee member - Mr. Chu Bo (CHN), FIDE Vice President

Appeals Committee member - Mr. Boris Kutin (SLO), FIDE Vice President

XII. Other matters:

- a) The stipends shall be paid by the organizer at or before the closing ceremony.
- b) At any time in the course of the application of these regulations, any grounds that are not covered or any unforeseen event shall be referred to the FIDE President for final decision.

XIII. Communication:

All Federations listed above are responsible to send their player information and details with itinerary to Tian Hongwei (Abigail) cindy.likaimin@gmail.com or tianhongweidu@hotmail.com or to the fax number of Chinese Chess Association: +86 10 6710 1522, also for visa invitations.