



Abu Dhabi Chess Festival Committee has the honour of inviting you to take part in a distinguished chess annual event, which consists of numerous FIDE registered tournaments. It will be held in Abu Dhabi, the capital city of the UAE from 23rd until 31st of August, 2015.

Organization:

Abu Dhabi Chess & Culture Club is organizing the festival in cooperation with Abu Dhabi Sports Council and guarantees the tournament will be held in accordance with FIDE chess rules and regulations.

Festival Tournaments:

Masters Tournament:

Open for players rated 2000 ELO and above. (exception Abu Dhabi chess players). Tournament will be a 9 rounds Swiss system, time control 90 min for each player and 30 seconds increment for each move. The organizing committee shall provide free accommodation in a five stars hotel for players rated 2500 and above (prior approval from the committee is needed in order to guarantee the accommodation). FIDE ID is required.

Open Tournament:

Open for players rated 2000 ELO and below. The tournament will be a 9 rounds Swiss system, time control 90 min for each player and 30 seconds increment for each move. FIDE ID is required.

Juniors Tournament (under 16 years):

Open for players born in 1999 or later. The tournament will be a 7 rounds Swiss system, time control 60 min for each player and 10 seconds increment for each move. Top four players from each age group (U10, U12, U14, U16) will qualify for the finals, which will be a knockout system tournament. FIDE ID is required.

***Only rated junior players are eligible to play in two tournaments (open and juniors tournament).**

Blitz tournament: Swiss system, 11 rounds, 3 min + 2 sec increment.

Simultaneous exhibition: Held by a renowned international GM.

Homeland protector's tournament: Open to members of military and police.

Family team tournament: Swiss system, 7 rounds, 15 min + 10 sec increment. Open to teams of 2 players (player + one of the parents). If there are 10 or less teams participating, the tournament will be a round robin.

Tournament Prizes (in U.S. dollars)

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Masters tournament	12000	7000	5000	3000	2000	1500	1000	800	700	600
Open tournament	2000	1500	1200	1000	800	500				
Open tournament best <2000	1000	700	500							
Open tournament best unrated	1000	700	500							
Juniors tournament	1500	1000	700	500	400	300				
Juniors tournament best U14	300	200	150							
Juniors tournament best U12	250	200	150							
Juniors tournament best U10	200	150	100							
Blitz tournament	1000	700	500							
Family team tournament	500	300	200							
Homeland protector's tournament	1000	700	500							

Tournament Schedule

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue
	23.8	24.8	25.8	26.8	27.8	28.8	29.8	30.8	31.8	1.9
Masters tournament	1 st 6pm	2 nd 6pm	3 rd + 4 th 10 am, 6pm	5 th 6pm	6 th 6pm	Free day	7 th 6pm	8 th 6pm	9 th 10am	Departure
Open tournament	1 st 6pm	2 nd 6pm	3 rd + 4 th 10 am, 6pm	5 th 6pm	6 th 6pm	Free day	7 th 6pm	8 th 6pm	9 th 10am	
Juniors tournament		1 st + 2 nd 10 am, 6pm	Free day	3 rd + 4 th 10 am, 6pm	5 th + 6 th 10 am, 6pm	Free day	7 th 2 pm	Tiebreaks 10am, 2pm		
Simultaneous exhibition						6pm				
Blitz tournament						6pm				
Family tournament							3pm	3pm		
Homeland protectors tournament							3pm	3pm		

The closing ceremony will take place on 31st of August 2015 at 7pm.

Special prizes

1. Best three UAE female players.
2. Best UAE player in Masters Tournament.
3. Best UAE player in Open Tournament.
4. Best UAE player in Juniors Tournament.
5. Best player of the Abu Dhabi Chess Club in each category (U10, U12, U14, U16)
6. Simultaneous exhibition winners.

Registration

Please send us a filled registration form (you can find it below) and a passport copy with two photos to adchess@emirates.net.ae until August 1st, 2015.

General information

1. The organizing committee will provide a visa for foreign players according to legal procedures of UAE after receiving the registration form and a passport copy including two photos before 15th of July 2015.
2. The organizing committee will provide special rates for participants who wish to stay in a hotel.
3. Participants from abroad can come through Abu Dhabi International Airport, Dubai International Airport (150 km from Abu Dhabi) or Sharjah International airport (180km from Abu Dhabi).

Registration Form

Name: _____ Father's Name: _____ Mother's Name: _____
Nationality: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Place of birth: _____
Passport number: _____ Country of issue: _____ Date of Issue: _____
_____ Date of Expiry: _____ International ELO Rating: _____
International Title: _____ Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____
E-mail: _____ Airline carrier: _____ Airport of departure: _____
_____ Airport of arrival: _____ Time of arrival: _____
Hotel: _____

** Important note for participants outside UAE: Please fill out the registration form and send it to the organizing committee no later than 1st of August, 2015.

**Players without a valid FIDE ID are not allowed to participate in the festival.

For further information please contact Mr. Zuhair Ahmad, general coordinator of the festival on phone number: (+971566113117) or email: adchess@emirates.net.ae