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DUBAI CHESS & CULTURE CLUB

## 20<sup>th</sup> Dubai Open Chess Tournament 2018

**Sheikh Rashed bin Hamdan AL Maktoum Cup**

**1<sup>st</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

**USD 50,000 Prize Fund**

Under the Patronage of **Sheikh Rashid Bin Hamdan Bin Rashid Al Maktoum**, Dubai Chess & Culture Club is pleased to announce the **20<sup>th</sup> Dubai Open Chess Tournament 2018**, which will be held at Dubai Chess & Culture Club from **1<sup>st</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> April 2018**.

### 1. Participants & Registration:

- 1.1. Open to all FIDE-rated players with a **Standard (std.)** rating of **1500 and above** (as of February 1, 2018).
- 1.2. Last day of registration & payment is **March 10, 2018**.
- 1.3. **Registration is only accepted online via the following [link](#)**
- 1.4. All participating players and accompany persons accepts to fully comply with the rules and regulations of the tournament, the organizer & the United Arab Emirates.
- 1.5. Organizing committee reserves the right to accept or deny a participant's registration according to FIDE Rules and regulations and UAE Laws.

### 2. Number of Rounds & Time Control:

- 2.1. **Nine Rounds** Swiss System.
- 2.2. **Time Control:** 90 minutes + 30 seconds increment per move for the whole game.
- 2.3. **Delay Time:** 30-minute delay will apply.

### 3. Playing Venue:

- 3.1. At **Dubai Chess & Culture Club** (Sheikh Saeed Bin Hamdan Al Maktoum Hall), AlMamzar - Dubai, United Arab Emirates. [How to get there?](#)

### 4. Entry & Related Fees:

- 4.1. Based on **standard (std.) rating & title** as of 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018

GM / WGM	Free	
IM with standard Elo above 2400	Free	
IM below 2400, WIM, FM, WFM	USD 50	AED 190
Players with a standard Elo above 2000	USD 100	AED 380
All other players with a standard Elo below 2000	USD 250	AED 950

- 4.2. Online Rating / Titles are not considered on above table



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4.3. Entry fee is inclusive of tournament participation only.

4.4. Additional fee is required for arranging an entry visa requested via Dubai Chess Club.

4.5. **Visa Charges:**

<b>Processing Visa Fee for all players (except invited)</b>	<b>USD 75</b>	<b>AED 285</b>
<b>Processing Visa Fee of an accompany Person</b>	<b>USD 100</b>	<b>AED 380</b>
<b>Additional charges for special requests such as:</b>		
a) Indian Citizens requiring "Okay to Board Confirmation"	<b>USD 15</b>	<b>AED 35</b>
b) Uzbek Citizens requiring a "verification stamp" from the Embassy of The Republic Of Uzbekistan	<b>USD 20</b>	<b>AED 60</b>

4.6. Entry fee and related payments have to be paid in FULL prior to the deadline (10<sup>th</sup> March, 2018) either in cash at Dubai Chess & Culture club or through Bank Transfer/ Deposit to the following Address:

Name	Bank	Branch
Dubai Chess & Culture Club	EMIRATES ISLAMIC	Hamriya Souq
Swift Code	Account Number*	IBAN*
MEBLAED	3707385115901	AE570340003707385115901
Bank Address	Hor Al Anz - Hamriya Shopping Centre P.O Box 6564 Dubai, UAE	

4.7. Kindly mention your FIDE Name & FIDE ID in your transfer and update the payment section in the online registration form.

4.8. Correspondent bank charges to be borne by Remitter.

5. **Prizes & winners:**

5.1. Total prize fund of the tournament is **USD 50,000**

5.1.1. Main Prizes (based on Tie-Break):

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place</b>	USD 13,000 + Trophy	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Place</b>	USD 1,500
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b>	USD 7,000	<b>10<sup>th</sup> Place</b>	USD 1,300
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b>	USD 5,000	<b>11<sup>th</sup> Place</b>	USD 1,200
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Place</b>	USD 3,500	<b>12<sup>th</sup> Place</b>	USD 1,100
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Place</b>	USD 2,500	<b>13<sup>th</sup> Place</b>	USD 1,100
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Place</b>	USD 2,200	<b>14<sup>th</sup> Place</b>	USD 900
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Place</b>	USD 2,000	<b>15<sup>th</sup> Place</b>	USD 800
<b>8<sup>th</sup> Place</b>	USD 1,700		



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5.1.2. Special Prizes (based on performance):

<b>Best Female</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place: USD 500 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: USD 350</b>
<b>Best Dubai Chess Player</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place: USD 500 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: USD 350</b>
<b>Best Emirati Player</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place: USD 500</b>
<b>Best Arab Player</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place: USD 500</b>
<b>Best Rated Player 2301-2400</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place: USD 500</b>
<b>Best Rated Player 2201-2300</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place: USD 500</b>
<b>Best Rated Player 2101-2200</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place: USD 500</b>
<b>Best Rated Player 2001-2100</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place: USD 500</b>
<b>Best Rated Player 2000 and Below</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place: USD 500</b>

5.2. Main Prizes will be awarded based on Tie-Break and will not be shared

5.3. Special Prizes will be awarded based on Rating Performance

5.4. A player cannot be awarded more than one prize, and will be awarded the highest prize

5.5. Winner of the Tournament **SHOULD BE PRESENT** at the closing ceremony

5.6. Prizewinners are requested to follow the dress code of business casual (or elegant casual) – no shorts, sports shoes or sneakers, slippers, hats or caps.

## 6. Tie Break

1. Direct encounter
2. Buchholz (lowest)
3. Buchholz (highest + lowest)
4. Great Number of victories

## 7. Hotel Accommodation:

7.1. Players are free to stay at any hotel.

7.2. The **JW Marriott Dubai** is the official Hotel of the tournament.

7.2.1. Transportation will only be provided to/from the club for JW Marriot residents only. Transportation Badges will be distributed for JW Marriot Residents.

7.2.2. For Hotel Booking & Payment:

<b>Single Room</b>	<b>Double Room</b>	<b>Triple Room</b>
AED 500/night Full Board	AED 600/night Full Board	AED 850/night Full Board

\*All room rates are subject to 5% Value Added Tax (VAT)



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<a href="http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/dxbae-jw-marriott-hotel-dubai/">http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/dxbae-jw-marriott-hotel-dubai/</a> Kindly mention "Dubai Open Chess Tournament" to get the above rates <b>Note: Booking and payment shall be done directly to the hotel</b>	

## 8. Accommodation Condition:

- 8.1. **Grandmasters** with a standard Elo of **2600 +** and **Women Grandmasters** with a standard Elo of **2300 +** may apply for Free accommodation in the Tournament's official Hotel by submitting the following form.
- 8.2. The organizer will accept a **limited** number of Accommodation Condition applicants.
- 8.3. **Applying for accommodation does not automatically make the player eligible to get a condition.**
- 8.4. If a participant's application for accommodation condition was accepted, the organizer will contact the player directly with an official form to be signed and returned as instructed through the email.

## Invited Players (Arrival/Departure)

- Expected Arrival on April 1<sup>st</sup> 2018 after 14:00 (Early Arrivals Charges to be borne by player)
- Expected Departure on April 12<sup>th</sup> 2018 before 12:00 Noon (Late Departure Charges to be borne by player)

## 9. Visa:

- 9.1. Please check the requirements of visa via the following link
- 9.2. **Visa rules are subject to change. Kindly confirm with your airline prior booking.**
- 9.3. Players / accompany persons who require a visa are requested to upload and attach a clear scanned colored copy of their passports and scanned colored personal photo (both in JPEG Format) in the online application form.
  - 9.3.1. **For Indian citizens**, last page of the passport is required for visa.
  - 9.3.2. **For Syrian citizens**, "Issue/Expiry page" of the passport is required for visa.
  - 9.3.3. **For Bangladeshi citizens**, "Information of the Bearer page of the passport is required for visa.
- 9.4. **Minor accompany persons applying via Dubai Chess Club require a separate passport to process an entry visa.**
- 9.5. Entry visas to the UAE issued for eligible participants **subject to the approval** of the **General Directorate of Residency & Foreigner Affairs - UAE** and will be valid for 30 days from the date of arrival.
- 9.6. All Visa application fees are non-refundable



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9.7. For Visa inquiries, please contact **Mr. Moheb Serag** ( [moheb@dubaichess.ae](mailto:moheb@dubaichess.ae) )

**10. Schedule:**

Day	Date	Event	Time
<b>Sunday</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Apr	Arrival & Confirmation of Registration	All Day
Monday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr	Nomination of Appeal Committee	10:00
		Opening Ceremony	18:15
		Round 1	18:30
Tuesday	3 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Round 2	17:30
Wednesday	4 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Round 3	17:30
Thursday	5 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Round 4	17:30
<b>Friday</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	<b>Rest Day / Blitz Cup</b>	<b>TBA</b>
Saturday	7 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Round 5	10:00
		Round 6	18:00
Sunday	8 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Round 7	17:30
Monday	9 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Round 8	17:30
Tuesday	10 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Round 9	17:30
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	<b>Closing Ceremony</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	Departure for all Invited players	12:00

**11. Other:**

For other queries, please contact us at [info@dubaichess.ae](mailto:info@dubaichess.ae) or visit our website [www.dubaichess.ae](http://www.dubaichess.ae)