





Mozambican Chess Federation invites you to the 2009 AFRICAN TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP MAPUTO (MOZAMBIQUE), September 30th – October 8th 2009.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

1.Invitation

African Chess Union and Mozambican Chess Federation are pleased to invite all African Chess Federations affiliated to FIDE and ACU to participate at the African Team Chess Championship. The Championship will be held in Maputo, Mozambique, the dates are **September 30**th (day of arrival) until **October 8**th **2009** (day of departure).

2. Participation

Each federation shall have the right to be represented by an open team of four players and one reserve, also by a women's team of four players and one reserve.

3. ACU fees

- 3.1. In accordance with ACU regulations an entry fee of **100 EUR** is required for each Men national team and another **100 EUR** for each woman's national team.
- 3.2. According to the ACU regulations, the entry fee shall be paid by the federations to ACU before or at the start of the competition.

4. Application, registration

- 4.1 Entry forms must be completed and returned to the Tournament office not later than **September 4**th, by mail stamped by the Federation, also by official E Mail. This date is the registration deadline.
- 4.2 The complete registration form must include surname/s, first name/s, ID number, and FIDE rating and title, and passport number of each player. It must also include the name and telephone / e-mail / fax number of the Chief of Delegation and of the person in charge of the Federation.
- 4.3 Not later than **September 21ST**, each participating federation shall confirm the exact team lists together with any changes.
- 4.4 Each participating Federation shall pay the stipulated entry fee of **300EUR** per team before arrival. The Registration Forms shall be submitted to *Mozambican Chess Federation* to be received before 4th September, 2009. Late entries will be accepted till 21st September, 2009 with a penalty of 150EUR per team payable to the organizing Federation. A copy of the form should also be sent to *Mozambican Chess Federation*. Entries shall be submitted in the official entry form appended.

5. Travel details

- 5.1. For all participants, accompanying persons and journalists, the organizer will provide transfer from Airport to Hotel. The price for a return ticket is 15 Euro.
- 5.2. These transport services will be available on September 30th (arrival) and on October 8th (departure). If the organizer is able he will accept special requests from Federations regarding transfer dates, as well as the possible transfer from airport to Hotel.
- 5.3. Players and accompanying persons who make private transport arrangements should clearly indicate this in writing at the time of registration. They will be fully responsible for any problems experienced during their arrival or departure and particularly for the possibility of a late start to the Championship.

6. Payment

- 6.1 All players and accompanying persons are required to meet the costs of their accommodation in line with 7.1.
 - 6.2. At the time of registration all costs should be transferred to the following account:

Bank: BCI, SA

Bank Account: 597180610001

BANK ADDRESS: Av 25 de Setembro, 1465 Maputo.

ACCOUNT NAME : FEDERAÇÃO MOÇAMBICANA DE XADREZ

SWIFT CODE: CGDIMZMA

Bank: BCI, SA

Bank Account: 1173810001

BANK ADDRESS: Av 24 de Julho Maputo.

ACCOUNT NAME: PEDRO LUCAS CHAMBULE

SWIFT CODE: CGDIMZMA

6.2. The foreign bank commissions must be paid by sender. If it is not paid, the organizers will charge the respective participants by an invoice, which must be paid in full before the end of the second round.

7. Lodging and meals

7.1. Accommodation and meals for players and accompanying persons will be at the following official hotels suggested by organizer:

Hotel "Ibis", Maputo ***

Single room with full board: 70 Euro

Double room with full board: 35 Euro per person

Hotel "Santa Cruz", Maputo **

Single room with full board: 50 Euro

Double room with full board: 25 Euro per person

7.2. In case a participating Federation does not wish to use an official hotel for their members, an additional payment of 50Euro per person who requires accreditation must be included with the registration.

7.3 IMPORTANT NOTICE!

7.3.1. The organizer can only guaranty accommodation for a specific hotel when the reservation and payment has been made on time. Regarding this we are asking all Federations to make all necessary reservations and payments on time.

8. Tournament hall

The Championships will be held in the Big Hall of **Hotel "Íbis"**, **Maputo** Distance of playing hall from hotels:

Hotel "Íbis", Maputo 0 km Hotel "Santa Cruz", Maputo ** 4 km

Organizer will provide bus transfer from mentioned hotels to the playing hall as follows - before the start of each round (except the last round) between 2.00 p.m. to 2.30 p.m.

- the return to hotel circuit will be every 30 minutes starting from 6 p.m.

9. Schedule

| Wednesday | September 30 th | | Arrival of participants | | |
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| | | 20.00 | Opening ceremony | | |
| | | 22.30 | Technical meeting | | |
| Thursday | October 1 st | 15.00 | 1st Round | | |
| Friday | October 2 nd | 09.00 | 2nd Round | | |
| Friday | October 2 nd | 16.00 | 3rd Round | | |
| Saturday | October 3 rd | 15.00 | 4th Round | | |
| Sunday | October 4 th | 15.00 | 5th Round | | |
| Monday | October 5 th | 09.00 | 6th Round | | |
| Monday | October 5 th | 15.00 | 7th Round | | |
| Tuesday | October 6 th | 15.00 | 8th Round | | |
| Wednesday | October 7 th | 15.00 | 9th Round | | |
| Wednesday | October 7 th | 21.00 | Closing Ceremony | | |
| Thursday | October 8 th | 11.00 | Departure of participants | | |

Teams of Federation's who are not represented at the technical meeting will not be paired according to the decision of ACU.

10. Basic competition rules

- 10.1. The championship will be 9 rounds, played in the Swiss system in accordance with the FIDE Tournament Rules.
- 10.2. According to FIDE and ACU rules, the time control will be 90 minutes for 40 moves plus 30 minutes for the rest of the game with an increment of 30 seconds per move, starting from move one.

11. Additional competion rules

- 11.1. Important: in these championships the new regulation 6.6a of the FIDE Laws of chess will be used. "Any player who arrives at the chessboard after the start of the session shall lose the game".
 - 11.2. Analyzing is not allowed in the playing hall
- 11.3. During the game the players are not allowed to go to the analyzing room or to the press room
 - 11.4. Flash photography may be used only in the first ten minutes of the playing session
- 11.5. Only the players and arbiters shall be allowed in the actual playing area, except with the express permission of the Chief Arbiter.
- 11.6. Players are not allowed to enter the closed area of the top boards if they don't play there themselves.
- 11.7. As long as the game is in progress a player may talk only to an arbiter or with his opponent as permitted by the Laws of Chess.

- 11.8. We assume that all the players have read the Tournament Regulations and are obliged to obey them.
 - 11.9. The English text of these Tournament Regulations is the authentic version.

12. Arbiters and Appeals Committee

Names of the Chief Arbiter and the members of the Appeal Committee will be announced not later than September 1, 2009 must be approved by ACU president.

13. Information

Tournament bulletin will be on CD and it will be free for all participating Federations. Each team will receive two CD.

14. Information about visa

Entry visa will be issued by the Mozambican Diplomatic Missions in the respective countries. Also, not entry visa is necessary for the citizens of some who are the members of SADC.

Organizer will give full support to assist participants to receive entry visas due to speed up procedure in Embassies and Consulates of Mozambican or at the border upon their arrival in Maputo.

Visa's costs will depend on the valid laws at that moment.

15. Prizes

- 15.1. The first three teams will receive trophies. Each member of the winning team (players, reserves and captain) will receive a gold medal. The members of the second and third placed teams will each receive a silver and bronze medal respectively.
 - 15.2. Prize value:

15.2.1. Individual prizes (the best board results)

 MAN
 WOMEN

 1st place
 300 USD

16. Currency

The local currency is Metical (MZN). 1 EUR = 38,5 MZN; 1 USD = 27,5 MZN; 1 ZAR = 3,5 MZN

17. Medical care

During the Tournament there will be Medical Services according to the FIDE Tournament Regulations.

18. Electricity

The voltage in Maputo is 220 Volts.

19. Tournament office

All necessary information can be send by mail: fmxmoz@gmail.com; chambulep@gmail.com, as well as in the tournament office.

Tournament office (Mozambican Chess Federation):

Cell: +258 82 7583770 Av. Emília Dausse nr. 530 Maputo

Tournament Director: PEDRO LUCAS CHAMBULE

Contact person: CUSTODIO VICENTE

Mobile phone: +258 82 7583770

Mozambican Chess Federation

The from September 30^{th} – October 8^{th} 2009.

Entry Form

(All columns should be completed)

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| Men Team | | | | | | | | | |
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| Captain | | | | | | | | | |
| Flight De | etails | | | | | | | | |
| Arrival Date: | | Time | Time: | | | | | | |
| Arriving From: | | | Fligh | Flight No.: | | | | | |
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| Hotel of your choice | | | Χ | | | | | | |
| Hotel "Íbis", Maputo | | | | | | | | | |
| Hotel "Santa Cruz", Maputo ** | | | | | | | | | |
| None of the hotels listed | | | | | | | | | |
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Name of Responding Official:

- 1) The men team shall comprise of 4 players plus 1 reserve.
- 2) Entry forms are to be sent to *Mozambican Chess Federation*., **Av. Emília Daússe No.530 Cidade de MaputoTel:** (+258) 843995360, (+258) 823035910 E-mail: fmxmoz;@gmail.com; chambulep@gmail.com
- 3) All Teams are requested to bring with them a table flag of their country