



Asian Junior Online Chess Championship for Players with Disabilities 24-26 June 2022

1. Scope

- 1.1. The Asian Chess Federation (ACF) is the governing body of the Asian Junior Online Chess Championship for Players with Disabilities.
- 1.2. ACF Commission for the Disabled (hereinafter referred to as DISA) is in charge of preparing the regulations, organizing the event and communicating with participants.
- 1.3. At any time, any circumstance or an unforeseen situation not covered in these Regulations shall be referred to the ACF Technical Delegate for final decision.

2. Format

- 2.1. The Asian Junior Online Chess Championship for Players with Disabilities is an open individual tournament in online format for junior chess players born on or after 1st January 2002 who belong to any of the three disability categories (visually impaired, hearing impaired and physically disabled).
- 2.2. ACF invites all registered junior players born on or after 1st January 2002 from all Asian FIDE member federations to participate in the Asian Junior Online Chess Championship for Players with Disabilities. All players shall have been registered with the Asian DIS Commission previously or shall register disability when they express intent to participate. Federations may register by email to disabledasia@gmail.com (a scan of a medical disability certificate is required).
- 2.3. The event is played as an Open Swiss system tournament of five (5) or seven (7) rounds on Tornelo. A separate event for girls may be held depending on the number of entries.
- 2.4. The event will adhere to the FIDE Laws of Chess and the FIDE General Regulations for Competitions in all aspects unless explicitly announced otherwise by the Chief Arbiter.
- 2.5. Time control: 10 minutes plus 10 seconds increment per move starting from move 1.

- 2.6. The June 2022 Rapid ratings will be used for pairing purposes. Should a participant have no FIDE Rapid rating, their standard rating will be used and if they have no standard rating, they will be considered as unrated for seeding purposes.
- 2.7. The final ranking order of the players is determined by the number of points scored. If at the end of the tournament two or more players are tied for any place, then the following tie-break criteria will be applied in the listed order:
- Direct encounter
 - Greater number of wins (including forfeits)
 - Buccholz
 - Sonneborn-Berger.

Should there still be a tie for first place after this tie break criteria, then those players tied for 1st place will be declared as joint winners.

3. Schedule

- 3.1. The tournament will take place on 24th to 26th of June.
- 3.2. An online Technical Meeting will be held at 3 pm Dubai time on 23rd June followed by Torneo practice.
- 3.3. Round 1 starts after brief opening ceremony at 3 pm Dubai time on 24th June.
- 3.4. Round times for a 5 round event:

| Day | Date | Round | Time (Dubai time) |
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| Thursday | 23 rd June | Technical Meeting | 3 pm Dubai time |
| Friday | 24 th June | Opening Ceremony | 3 pm Dubai time |
| | 24 th June | 1 | |
| Saturday | 25 th June | 2 | 3 pm Dubai time |
| | 25 th June | 3 | 4 pm Dubai time |
| Sunday | 26 th June | 4 | 3 pm Dubai time |
| | 26 th June | 5 | 4 pm Dubai time |
| Tuesday | 28 th June | Awards | 3 pm Dubai time |

3.5. Round times for a 7 round event

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| | 25 th June | 4 | 4 pm Dubai time |
| | 25 th June | 5 | 5 pm Dubai time |
| Sunday | 26 th June | 6 | 3 pm Dubai time |
| | 26 th June | 7 | 4 pm Dubai time |
| Tuesday | 28 th June | Awards | 3 pm Dubai time |

3.6. There is no default time. No penalty is imposed on a player if they are late for any of their games; their clock simply keeps running until the flag falls.

4. Conditions for Participation

4.1. Registration deadline is on the **20th of June**.

4.2. All Federations must register their players on the registration form and have all details filled in correctly. Registration forms shall be submitted to asianchessfederation@yahoo.com and disabledasia@gmail.com before the deadline of the tournament and this is considered acceptance of regulations for the event.

4.3. Every player consents to appear in promotional videos and interviews before and/or after the event at the request of the Tournament Coordinator.

4.4. Every player undertakes to create and validate a Tornelo account no later than two (2) days after the registration deadline. The Tornelo Certified Arbiter will be available to help players with this task.

4.5. A players' Tornelo profile shall contain his or her actual first and last names according to their FIDE Profile.

4.6. Every player undertakes to communicate to DISA, at the disabledasia@gmail.com address, his Tornelo email address and Zoom email address no later than two (2) days after the registration deadline.

- 4.7. Every player explicitly consents to constant monitoring via Zoom during every round. The general instructions are in the Fair Play Measure section. Specific instructions will be given at the Technical Meeting.
- 4.8. It is every player's individual responsibility to have a device in working order on the day of the tournament: a desktop or a laptop computer to play his games online and with videocam. A failure to have such device operational during the tournament may result in forfeit of player's game(s) or even an exclusion from the event.
- 4.9. Players should share their desktop screen in Zoom and open Task Manager "Always on top". Before the game starts it is mandatory that all computers run only one tab in one browser. No other website, application or software can be open on the playing device except Zoom.
- 4.10. It is every player's individual responsibility to have a working Internet connection for the duration of the tournament. Delayed or lost connection may lead to a forfeit upon the decision of the Chief Arbiter.
- 4.11. In case of server-side failures, the Chief Arbiter will make a decision in the best interest of the competition, upon consultations with the Online Play Administrator.
- 4.12. It is strongly recommended that participants use a wired (Ethernet) LAN connection inside their homes. Many problems and disconnects arise from use of Wi-Fi.

5. Prizes

- 5.1. The top 3 placers will receive Certificates of Achievement. In addition, the top 3 placers will receive an hour's group coaching from GM Thomas Luther. Boys and girls group coaching will be in one session.
- 5.2. Every player is only eligible to win or share one prize, and will receive the biggest. (For instance, if the second-place finisher is at the same time the best among women, she will receive the Best among women prize).

6. Appeals

- 6.1. The Appeals procedure is governed by Art. 10 of the FIDE General Regulations for Competitions except where specified otherwise in the present Regulations or announced by the Tournament Director.
- 6.2. There is no protest fee in this tournament for disabled players.
- 6.3. The Chairman and two other members of the Appeals Committee will be appointed by the Asian Chess Federation President.

- 6.4. All appeals and protests shall be submitted to the Appeals Committee in writing, via an e-mail to the disabledasia@gmail.com address, no later than ten (10) minutes after the completion of a particular round.
- 6.5. The Appeals Committee shall not accept or review any appeals against computer generated pairings.
- 6.6. The Appeals Committee shall not accept or review any appeals related to failed Internet connection or player's equipment failures.
- 6.7. Upon receipt of an e-mail with an appeal, the Appeals Committee shall conduct an appropriate investigation. Player(s) shall give their testimony orally. The call shall be recorded.
- 6.8. All decisions of the Appeals Committee are final.

7. Fair Play Measures

- 7.1. The Fair Play Measures are governed by the FIDE Anti-Cheating Guidelines except where specified otherwise in the present Regulations or announced by the Tournament Director. Additional strict measures to prevent online cheating will be taken.
- 7.2. For the purposes of this event, the playing area is defined as a room in a dwelling where a player has the device that he uses for online play. All usual FIDE regulations related to the playing area shall apply.
- 7.3. A player shall be allowed to have only a device to play the game. If a player has any other unauthorized electronic device in the playing area, he shall lose the game.
- 7.4. No spectators are allowed in the playing area.
- 7.5. Tornelo Live Fair Play reports will analyze all games in real time.
- 7.6. All players will be constantly monitored during the rounds (see also 4.8 and 4.9). Zoom audio shall be always turned on. The entire Zoom monitoring sessions, including audio, will be recorded. Recording will be available only for the Appeals Committee.
- 7.7. The Organizers are authorized to exclude any player from the tournament for a Fair Play violation reported by Tornelo. Players excluded for a Fair Play violation have no right to an appeal.

8. Special Arrangements

- 8.1. Any request for a special arrangement, in particular a request to have an assistant, shall be communicated to the disabledasia@gmail.com together with the registration. The organizers shall attempt to grant the request in good faith. Their decision shall be final and no appeal shall be entertained.

8.2. By registering for and entering into the tournament, each player accepts all the clauses of the present Regulations in their entirety and agrees to release, indemnify, defend and forever discharge Asian Chess Federation, DISA, Tornelo, Officials and their staff, volunteers, employees and agents of and from all liability, claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses, actions and causes of action in respect of death, injury, loss or any damage.

9. Organizing Committee

| Position | Name | Email |
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10. Contacts

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