



FIDE WORLD SCHOOL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2022

PANAMA CITY/ PANAMA - JUNE 10TH - JUNE 19TH 2022

I. Invitation:

This is the official invitation to all FIDE Members Chess Federations and eligible players to participate in the World School Chess Championship 2022 (categories for boys/open and girls under 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17 years old) The championship will be held in Panama City from June 10th to June 19th, 2022, under the auspices of the International Chess Federation (FIDE) and the Panama Chess Federation.

2. Playing Venue:

The games will take place in WYDHAM CONVENTION CENTER in Albrook Hotel in Panama City. 30 minutes from main airport: Tocumen International Airport (one of Americas Hub)

3. Tournament Schedule

10 June 2022:		Arrivals
11 June 2022:	10:30	Technical Meeting
11 June 2022:	14:15	Opening Ceremony
11 June 2022:	15:00	Round 1
12 June 2022:	15:00	Round 2
13 June 2022:	10:00	Round 3
13 June 2022:	17:00	Round 4
14 June 2022:	15:00	Round 5
15 June 2022:		Free Day
16 June 2022:	10:00	Round 6
16 June 2022:	17:00	Round 7
17 June 2022:	15:00	Round 8
18 June 2022:	10:00	Round 9
18 June 2022:	18:00	Closing Ceremony
19 June 2022:		Departures

4. Technical Regulations:

4.1 The tournament will be played according to the Swiss System in 9 rounds and shall govern by the General Rules Regulations for FIDE Competitions.

There shall be 6 categories: Under 07, Under 09, Under 11, Under 13, Under 15 and Under 17 with separate events for Boys/Open and Girls (in total 12 championships)

Players entitled to participate in each category are:

Under 07: Players born on or after 1 January 2015

Under 09: Players born on or after 1 January 2013

Under 11: Players born on or after 1 January 2011

Under 13: Players born on or after 1 January 2009

Under 15: Players born on or after 1 January 2007

Under 17: Players born on or after 1 January 2005

4.2 Each National Federation can register any number of players that meet the age requirements of each section. FIDE-affiliated organizations, as approved by the FIDE Council, also have the right to register players. FIDE endorsed Chess Academies also have the right to register players through their respective National Chess Federation with copy to Trainers Commission for endorsement.

4.3 Players with personal rights of qualification, according to FIDE handbook D.04.08 article 4, are entitled to free board and lodging for 9 nights sharing a double room.

4.4 Time control is 90 minutes plus 30 seconds increment from move one.

4.5 Default time is 15 minutes. Any player who arrives at the chessboard after the default time shall lose the game unless the arbiter decides otherwise.

4.6 The final ranking order of the players is determined by the number of points scored. If two or more players are tied for the first place or for any prize, the tie shall be broken in the following order:

- a. Direct Encounter points (applies only if all tied players have played each other),
- b. Buchholz Cut 1,
- c. Buchholz,
- d. Greater Number of Wins with Black Pieces,
- e. Greater Number of Wins.

5. Prizes, Titles & Certificates:

5.1 The Organizer shall award trophies to the players taking the first three places in each event. The Organizer shall also award Gold, Silver and Bronze medals to the players taking the first three places in each event. Trophies for first place and medals are awarded after applying tie-breaks.

5.2 The Direct titles shall be awarded according to the conditions in the FIDE regulations below.

<https://handbook.fide.com/chapter/B01DirectTitles2017>

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5.3 Certificates shall be awarded to players who finish in the top six positions.

5.4 Certificates of Participation shall be given to players, FIDE accredited trainers and the FIDE appointed technical officials.

6. Appeals procedure and Appeals Committee:

6.1 The Appeals Committee shall be 3 persons, one of whom may be the FIDE Technical Delegate. Two additional reserve members will be appointed at the Technical Meeting as no member shall take part in a decision affecting a player of his own federation.

6.2 A protest against Arbiters decisions must be submitted in written form to the Chairman of the Appeals Committee within one hour after the completion of the respective game. The protest must be accompanied with the sum of 200 €, as a deposit. If the appeal is granted, the sum shall be returned immediately. If the appeal is refused, the deposit is forfeited to FIDE. The Appeals Committee may also decide to refund the fee if it considers the appeal was not frivolous. The decisions of the Appeals Committee are final.

6.3 The decision of the Appeals Committee is final, binding and takes effect immediately.

7. Tournament Fee.

7.1 7.1 FIDE Entry Fee: According to the FIDE Financial Regulations, the Entry Fee for players is 40€ (or equivalent 45 USD)

7.2 Tournament Registration Fee. **Each player** must pay a US\$110.00 registration fee for the event to the bank account indicated below. The registration fee must be transferred until 09.05.2022, registration deadline.

7.3 **Special Fee for accompanying persons.** Whoever registers as a companion (parents, coach, family member) must pay an accreditation fee to the event of US \$ 90.00 in this concept, a welcome pack will be included, access to the playing area till 5 minutes before the starting of each round, the tournament area (exhibition room) and common area. As well as your accreditation and transportation to and from the airport.

Deadline for the payment of this Fee is 09.05.2022, after which there would be a surcharge of an additional U\$25.00.

8. Accommodation:

8.1. All Participants are obliged to stay in official hotels, organizers can penalize if don't, and bookings must be done only through the organizers. Rooms will be booked on the principle of FCFS (First Come First Served).

8.2. Accommodation includes for 9 nights per person with meals included (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) at Wyndham Albrook Hotel 4*

Prices per person: (Organiser will choose the accommodation hotel for participant) •

- 1) U\$ 711 total in a **double room** for 9 nights with meals included (U\$ 79.00 per day)
- 2) U\$ 612 total in a **triple* room** for 9 nights with meals included (U\$ 68.00 per day)
- 3) U\$ 837 total in a **single room** for 9 nights with meals included (U\$ 93.00 per day)

*There is limited number of triple rooms (Most has one double bed and one single bed).

8.3. In addition to the players with personal rights mentioned in article 4.3, the Organizer will also provide FREE board and lodging for 9 nights in a shared double room for one (1) accompanying person per federation having a minimum participation of seven (7) players. The accompanying person must have a valid license as FIDE trainer to be eligible for this offer.

8.4. Organizers could also offer special discounts for the delegations which have at least 30 persons (players).

8.5. The above offers are guaranteed only for registrations and bookings up to 9th of May. After the final deadline 10th of May, rooms may be offered at an increased cost and only upon availability with a U\$ 100 late registration fee.

9. Registration procedure, visas, and deadlines:

9.1 Till 9th of May 2022, the participating National Federation shall submit its registration of participants to the email: registro@wsc2022.org. All entries shall include full name, fide id, rating, accompanying persons, accommodation type, dates of arrival/departure and receipt of bank transfer.

9.2 The date of birth of each player must be given and must correspond with the birthday given in his passport or other travel document. All travel documents must also be submitted at least 1 month before the events starts if visas are required. The Organizer shall not be responsible for late submission and application for visas.

9.3 Hotel payments for all players, officials and accompanying persons must be made to the bank account minimum 50% of total amount by the registration deadline of 09.05.2022 and the rest 50% should be sent to Bank account before arrival and settlement.

All payments to organizer must be made in Dollars (U\$) to the account below and all bank commissions should be paid by sender,

Bank: Federacion de Ajedrez de Panamá

Account Number: 40000017757

Swift Code NAPAPAPAXXX

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Address: Via Espana, Torre Banconal.

10. Flights / Airport Transfers:

The nearest airport is Tocumen International Airport about 20 km from the hotels & venue. The Organizer will provide transportation on arrival and departure dates from Tocumen International Airport to the official hotel for playing and accompanying persons who will register at official hotel.

11. Contact information:

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MONICA FRANCO/ Protocol and Meetings Organization