

Asian Seniors Chess Championships 2024 9-19 August 2024 Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

1. Invitation

The Mongolian Chess Federation in cooperation with the City of Ulaanbaatar under the auspices of the Asian Chess Federation and International Chess Federation and Mongolian National Olympic Committee, has the honour to invite all National Chess Federations in Asia to participate in the 2024 Asian Seniors Chess Championships for over 50 and over 65 years old (and best women), from 9-19 August 2024 at the Terelj World Resort Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.

2. Participation

The Asian Seniors Championship is open for all players over 50 and 65 years old by 31st December 2024, regardless of the rating and title, who have FIDE ID and are members of National Chess Federations in FIDE Zones 3.1 to 3.8. There is no limit in the number of participants per federation.

If there are fewer than 10 players and 5 federations in the over 65, then it shall be merged with the over 50.

3. Registration

The entries must be submitted on the attached registration form, with ID photo and passport copy (colour scan) to the official email info@mcf.mn The last date for registration is 9th of June 2024.

4. Fees

Entry fees: Each player must pay 100 USD as entry fees.

Registration fees: Each player must pay 110 USD as registration fees to the event for registration and accreditation, transport from airport to hotel (2 hours). All fees and the hotel booking must be paid before start of tournament.

The last date for registration is 9th of June 2024. After that date, a late registration fee of 50 USD will be charged. Players whose payment has not been received shall not be paired.

5. Accommodation

Per FIDE regulations, all players, except local players are obliged to be accommodated in the official hotel through the organiser.

Access to playing areas, venues and the hotel will be allowed only to people accredited by the organiser. Players who are not present at the technical meeting cannot be included in the drawing of

lots and entry fees will be forfeited.

The official hotel and venue of the event is the Terelj World Resort****

Room type	No.pax	Discounted rate 1 pax with 3 buffet meals
Single	1	120 USD
Twin	2	90 USD
Family suite (limited)	3	90 USD

6. Tournament System and Rate of Play

The tournament will be played as a 9 round Swiss System. The FIDE Laws of Chess shall apply. Time control for Standard chess is 90 minutes each for the whole game, with 30 seconds increment per move from the first move. Default time is 30 minutes after starting time. Time control for Blitz chess is 3 minutes each plus 2 seconds increment per move.

7. Tie-Break System

The order of the players that finish with the same number of points shall be determined by the application of the following tie-break procedures in sequence, proceeding from (a) to (b) to (c) to (d) and to (e).

a) Direct Encounter

- b) Buccholz
- c) Buccholz Cut 1
- d) Buccholz Cut 2
- e) Sonnenborn Berger

In case the tie is still not broken, one Armageddon blitz game between the top two shall decide.

8. Tournament schedule

The Championship will be held from 9-19 August 2024 as follows:

Day Friday	Date 9 th August	Time After 12pm	Event
Saturday	10 th August	09:00	Technical Meeting
5	C	10:00	Opening Ceremony and
			Round 1
Sunday	11 th August	10:00	Round 2
Monday	12 th August	10:00	Round 3
Tuesday	13 th August	10:00	Round 4
Wednesday	14 th August	10:00	Round 5
Thursday	15 th August	10:00	Round 6
Friday	16 th August	10:00	Round 7
Saturday	17 th August	10:00	Round 8
Sunday	18 th August	10:00	Round 9
-	-	16:00	Blitz Championship
			Closing ceremony
Monday	19 th August		Departure

9. Chief Arbiter and Technical Delegate

The Asian Chess Federation President shall appoint the Chief Arbiter and other Arbiters, Technical Delegate and Appeals Committee. The Appeals Committee shall consist of three members and two reserves representing five different federations.

10. Appeals

A protest against a decision of an Arbiter must be submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter within 15 minutes after the end of the relevant playing session. In submitting a protest, a protest fee of USD 200.00 (Two Hundred US Dollars) shall be paid to the Appeals Committee, which is refundable if the protest is upheld.

The Appeals Committee, however, may decide to refund the fee if it considers that the appeal was not frivolous. The decision of the Appeals Committee shall be final and binding immediately. No Appeals are possible in Blitz where the Chief Arbiter's decision is final.

11. Prizes

Top three winners of each category (Standard and Blitz) will receive Gold, Silver and Bronze medals and Certificate. A total of \$6,000 USD for standard chess in this Asian Chess Federation event shall be awarded as follows:

Over 50	Over 65
1 st \$1000	1 st \$700
2 nd \$800	2 nd \$400
3 rd \$600	3 rd \$300
4 th \$400	4 th \$200
5 th \$300	5 th \$200
6 th \$300	Best woman \$200
Best woman \$600	
Total: \$4000	Total: \$2000

Money prizes are not shared. In case of merged groups, prizes apply for the specific age group. 10% of prize money will be deducted due to Mongolian tax law.

12. Direct Titles

Gold medallist (first after tiebreak) in Standard chess open category shall receive a GM norm. 1st equal (first three after tie break) will receive the IM title.

Silver and bronze medalists shall receive IM norms and FM titles.

For a direct title to be awarded immediately an applicant has to have achieved at some time or other a minimum rating as follows:

IM 2200; WIM 2000; FM 2100; WFM 1900.

13. Payments

All payments are to be done to the following Bank account and all bank commissions must be paid by sender. Account name: Mongolian Chess Federation

Account number: 1105043303

Name of Bank: Golomt bank of Mongolia Address of Bank: Sukhbaatar Square 5, P.O.Box 22, Ulaanbaatar, 15160, Mongolia SWIFT: GLMTMNUB

14. Visa

Those who need visas should apply at the Mongolian consulate nearest them. Invitation letters will be issued upon filling the registration application before the deadline. To issue an invitation for visa to enter Mongolia participants should send a clear passport copy to <u>info@mcf.mn</u> and provide visa form to 9th of June 2024 is the deadline when invitation for visa could be issued. After 9th of June 2024 visa invitations are not issued. The following countries do not need a visa to Mongolia:

Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Macau, Malaysia, Maldives, New Zealand, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, South Korea, Thailand, United Arab Emirates (UAE)

15. Airport Transfers

The organiser will provide airport transfers for the participants from New Ulaanbaatar International Airport in Ulaanbaatar to the Official Hotel and back. All participants are required to send by 20th July 2024 their flight details of arrivals and departures.

16. Other Matters

Any matters not mentioned in the Regulations above will be decided upon, if necessary, after consultation with the Asian Chess Federation President.

17. Contact Information

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