



Asian Cities Chess Team Championship 2024 20-30 April 2024, Khanty-Mansiysk, Russia

The Chess Federation of Russia has the honor to invite all Chess Federations in Zones 3.1 to 3.8 affiliated to Asian Chess Federation to participate in the Asian Cities Chess Team Championship from 20-30 April 2024 in Khanty-Mansiysk, Russia.

1. Participation

The Asian Cities Team Championship is open to all affiliated Chess Federations of Asian Chess Federation in Zones 3.1 to 3.8.

2. Team Composition

Each team shall be composed of four (4) players (men and/or women) plus 1 reserve and a captain (total 6 persons. The captain may be a playing member.)

Each member Federation shall have the right to send one team representing one city. A National Chess Federation can participate with more than one team subject to confirmation of entry by the Organizing Committee to admit one additional city for each federation, in accordance with Asian Chess Federation regulations. But in such cases, they shall pay for the accommodation of their extra team(s).

The organizing federation shall have the right to participate with a maximum of four teams.

All team members are required to have been members of their National Chess Federation for at least one year.

3. Confirmation of Participation

Each federation should confirm participation by 25th March 2024 by informing the Organizing Committee of the number and names of cities, with copies to the Continental President for Asia and the concerned Zone President.

4. Entry and Registration Fees

Each participating federation shall pay on arrival to the Organizing Committee the amount of US\$150 entry fee per team payable through the Organizing Committee before the event.

Extra teams shall pay \$300 entry fee per team. Fifty percent of entry fees shall be for the Asian Chess Federation.

Each person will pay on arrival US\$100 registration fee to the Organizing Committee.

5. Expenses

Travel costs shall be the responsibility of the participating cities/ Federation. Living expenses shall be the responsibility of the organizing committee for four (4) players plus one (1) reserve and one (1) captain in double rooms. Hotel will be assigned on first come first served basis.

The Organizing Committee will organize a flight from Moscow to Khanty-Mansiysk.

Any extra person(s) will be charged (per person) for full board at 6,100 Roubles for two persons per day in double room. The single room rate is 5,100 Roubles per day.

6. Submission of Team Lists

By the deadline of March 25, 2024, each participating federation must notify the organizers of the following details (Appendix 1):

- (a) The name of the participating city.
- (b) The name and initials of the team captain.
- (c) the name, photo of the digital identity card and the FIDE identification number of each player and captain.
- (d) any information required in connection with obtaining visas before March 25, 2024.
- (e) Biographical information/photo of each team member (in good quality).

7. Tournament Regulation

The FIDE Laws of Chess shall apply. Draws are not allowed before the completion of Black's 30th move unless by the repetition of position rule or stalemate. There should be at least three playing members of the team present at the start of each round in order for a team to play for that round. Otherwise the team shall be declared in default.

8. System of Play

The tournament shall be run as a 9-round Swiss System. Each match between teams shall be played over four boards in the Chess Olympiad format.

Each team shall comprise 4 to 5 players who shall be listed in a fixed board order (1-5) by the team captain upon registration. This board order may not be changed during the tournament. The penalty for every deviation from the correct sequence in any round is one game point. (Example 1-5-4-2 two points shall be forfeited in the match). The use of any player who does not appear in the overall list shall cause that round to be forfeited 4:0.

Before the start of a round, the captain of a team must deliver to the Chief Arbiter at the appointed time, the Round Team List (RTL) of the team members who are to take part in the round in question. If this list is not delivered by the appointed time, the team may only use its top 4 players.

9. Schedule

Day/Date	Time	Remarks
Sat., 20 April		Arrival
	18:00	Technical Meeting
	19:00	Opening Ceremony
Sun., 21 April	14:00	Round 1
Mon., 22 April	14:00	Round 2
Tue., 23 April	14:00	Round 3
Wed., 24 April	14:00	Round 4
Thurs., 25 April	14:00	Round 5
Fri 26 April	14:00	Round 6
Sat., 27 April	14:00	Round 7
Sun., 28 April	14:00	Round 8
Mon., 29 April	10:00	Round 9
	20:00	Closing Ceremony
Tues., 30 April	Before 12:00 nn	Departure

10. Time Control

The time control is: 90 minutes for the entire game with an addition of 30 seconds per move starting from move one. The games shall be played with digital clocks.

Default time is 30 minutes after starting the round.

11. Scoring

The scores determining the finishing order are calculated as follows.

Each team's place in the order of classification will be decided by the number of match points it has scored. Winner will get 2 points, a draw will give each team 1 point, and a loss is scored as 0 points.

If any teams finish with equal match points, the tie shall be resolved as follows:

- a. By game points in total.
- b. If a tie again results, the scores obtained by the tying teams against each other will decide, i.e. Direct Encounter.
- c. If a tie again results, then the sum of Sonneborn-Berger points will be used, calculated as follows:

1. By the sum of the game points of all opponents defeated plus one half of the game points of all the opponents with which a tied result was achieved. If a tie still results, then
2. match points of each opponent, excluding the opponent who scored the lowest number of match points, multiplied by the number of game points achieved against this opponent;

If a tie still results between teams in contention for medals, these teams shall play one blitz match (with 3 minutes + 2 seconds increment) against each other. In the case of two teams, colors on top board will be reversed from previous encounter;

In case of tie, one player from each team shall play an Armageddon match. The Chief Arbiter shall supervise draw of lots for colors.

Each country can win only one team trophy. The top three cities in the Asian Cities Chess Championship shall each be awarded a trophy. Six team members per team shall receive gold, silver and bronze medals, respectively.

Cash Prizes in convertible currency for the Asian Cities Chess Team Championship are:

Champion- US\$ 6,000 with Gold Medal
Second Place US\$ 4,500 with Silver Medal
Third Place US\$ 3,500 with Bronze Medal
Less 30% government tax.

Cash Prizes are shared equally among tied teams.

12. Individual Board Awards

Players assigned to the same board number in their respective team lists shall be in competition for individual board prizes namely: gold, silver and bronze medals. For the purposes of this award, the players' performance rating shall be compared. If the performance rating is equal, the tie shall be broken by

- (a) The number of games, more is better;
- (b) Direct Encounter;
- (c) Average rating of opponents, higher is better;
- (d) The greater number of wins, forfeits included.

Only players who have played a minimum of six (6) games shall be eligible for board prizes.

13. Chief Arbiter and Other Officials

The Asian Chess Federation President will appoint the Technical Delegate and the Chief Arbiter, as well as the necessary assistant arbiters and other officials.

The Chief Arbiter may, in consultation with the Asian Chess Federation, issue additional written regulations to take care of other details not covered by these regulations.

14. Appeals Committee

Before the beginning of the tournament an Appeals Committee shall be selected.

The Asian Chess Federation President shall nominate the Chairman. The Committee shall be composed of three members and two reserves elected at the technical meeting. The persons chosen for the Appeals Committee shall represent five different federations.

No member of the committee shall have the right to vote on questions concerning his own federation. However, every member is entitled to participate in the discussions.

Protests, including protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter or his assistants, must be submitted in writing to the Chairman of the Appeals Committee within 30 minutes after completion of the playing session.

A protest shall be submitted with an accompanying fee of \$200 or its equivalent in local currency. If the protest is upheld, the protest fee will be returned. Otherwise it shall be forfeited to the organizing federation.

15. Dress Code

All Players are obliged to wear uniforms that represent their National Federation and/or the National Flag. Shorts, Slippers, Sun glasses, Sport caps and revealing attire are not allowed.

16. Visa Information

Visa can be obtained from Russian embassy/consulate. Deadline of submission of data for visa application is 25th March 2024.

Due to the laws regarding the entry of foreign citizens into the Russian Federation, it is necessary to send applications indicating the positions (player, captain), passports, flight plan and a completed table for each participant (Appendix 2) to the Organizing Committee via email: asiancities2024@chessmao.ru no later than 25 days before the tournament begins (the application deadline is March 25, 2024)

Please also note that in case of late application, we do not guarantee the prompt sending of data and the crossing of the border by foreign citizens.

17. Contact details:

Organizing Committee:

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Entry Form

City/Country	
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Name	FIDE ID	Title	Date of Birth	Passport Number
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				
Captain				
Accompanying Person				
Name of Federation Official				
Signature				

Official seal

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Form for visa application

Name, surname	
Citizenship	
State of residence	
Passport No.	
Workplace (full name of the organization)	
Job title	
Workplace address, tel., fax	
Checkpoint (city, airport)	
Term for visa	
Date entrance from	
Date entrance to	
State & town where visa will be received	