



Regulations of the Open Chess Tournament “Winter Cup 2024”

1. General Regulations

1.1 The Open Chess Tournament "Winter Cup 2024" (hereinafter - the Tournament) consists of 3 tournaments with a total guaranteed **Prize Fund of 5,000,000 KZT (>10,500\$)** (1 USD = 480 KZT):

No	Tournament Name	Tournament Dates	Requirements	Tournament description
1	A	December 14-18	<u>ELO 1700 and above*</u>	Classical Chess Tournament; 9 rounds, (60 min + 30 sec); Prize Fund 3,775,000 KZT
2	B	December 14-18	<u>1st category **</u> <u>ELO 1400-1699 *</u>	Classical chess tournament with the CM norm; 9 rounds, (60 min + 30 sec); Prize Fund 725,000 KZT
3	C	December 18	1 st category and above	Blitz tournament for all players 11 rounds, (3 min + 2 sec); Prize fund 500,000 KZT

* other chess players may be included by agreement with the Organizing Committee of the Tournament

** players with the title of CM and higher are not allowed to participate in tournament B

1.2 When registering, the classic ELO rating as of December 1, 2024 is taken into account.

1.3 The tournament will follow the FIDE rules, the Swiss system format, and be rated by FIDE.

2. Organizers of the Tournament

2.1 The Tournament is sponsored by PF Kaissa supported by ALLIANCE MTS LLP and ASTANA CHESS FEDERATION.

2.2 The overall management of the Tournament will be arranged by the ASTANA Central Chess Club LLP.

3. Information about the Tournament

3.1 Tournaments A and C will take place in the branch of ASTANA CCC at the address: Republic of Kazakhstan, Astana, **Zhirentayev Street, 5** (near the Eurasia shopping center).

3.2 Tournament B will take place at the Headquarters at the address: **Taraz Street, 2.**

3.3 Schedule of the Tournament

December 14	10 ⁰⁰ – Round 1
December 14	15 ⁰⁰ – Round 2
December 15	10 ⁰⁰ – Round 3
December 15	15 ⁰⁰ – Round 4
December 16	10 ⁰⁰ – Round 5

December 16	15 ⁰⁰ – Round 6
December 17	10 ⁰⁰ – Round 7
December 17	15 ⁰⁰ – Round 8
December 18	10 ⁰⁰ – Round 9
December 18	Blitz Tournament – 15 ⁰⁰

3.4 The schedule of rounds/closing ceremony may be slightly adjusted.

3.5 The pairing will be made using the Swiss Manager software.

3.6 Cheating control will be provided under the requirements of the FIDE Anti-Cheating Regulations, with the standard protection level.

3.7 Games on the 1st-10th boards of the Open Tournament will be broadcast via idchess.com.

3.8 A player cannot be more than 30 minutes late for a game.

4. Terms of Participation

4.1 Players who meet the requirements below are eligible to participate in the following tournaments.

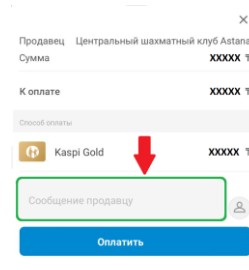
No	Tournament Name	Requirements	Tournament fee, KZT		
			ELO (Classic)	Fee	Juniors born in 2010 and later
1	Tournament A	1 st category and above *	GM, IM, FM, WGM, WIM, WFM	no tournament fee	no tournament fee
			2300 and above	10000	5000
			2000-2299	15000	7500
2	Tournament B		<2000	20000	10000
3	Tournament C			10000	10000
				5000	5000

4.2 A 50% discount will be granted to the tournament participants who are seniors (born in 1961 and earlier) or disabled (disability degrees 1,2,3).

4.3 Tournament fee shall be paid via the Kaspi app:

<https://pay.kaspi.kz/pay/7fepq4kt>

or by scanning the QR code:



in the Purpose of Payment field, it is necessary to specify the participant's name and surname and the respective tournament.

4.4 Foreign participants are allowed to pay the tournament fee upon arrival.

4.5. The number of participants is limited: for tournaments A and B - **80 participants** each.

4.6 To register for the tournament, it is necessary to send an electronic application form no later than December 10th, with all the required fields filled in:

<https://forms.gle/wE6BHzZCwN4XCgV56>

4.7 Registration may close earlier than the set date: as soon as 80 participants are registered.

4.8 In case of registration later than the established date (see 4.6) and subject to availability of seats, the tournament fee is doubled (see 4.1)

5. Determination of winners. Awarding.

5.1 The winners of the competition will be determined by the highest sum of the scores.

In case of a tie, the following tiebreakers will be applied:

- Points earned in games between tied players (if all the tied players played each other);
- Buchholz Cut 1 (minus the lowest opponent score);
- Number of game wins;
- Performance.

5.2 Guaranteed prize fund of the Tournament is 5,000,000 KZT (>10,500\$) (1 USD = 480 KZT)

Tournament A. Main prizes, 3,230,000 KZT

1 st place	1,000,000
2 nd place	750,000
3 rd place	550,000
4 th place	330,000

5 th place	250,000
6 th place	150,000
7 th place	100,000
8 th place	100,000

Tournament A. Additional prizes, 545,000 tenge

Women 1/2 places	80,000 / 55,000
Seniors S50 (born in 1974 and earlier) 1/2 places	65,000 / 45,000
Seniors S65 (born in 1959 and earlier) 1/2 places	65,000 / 45,000
Boys, born in 2010 and later 1/2 places	60,000 / 35,000
Girls, born in 2010 and later 1/2 places	60,000 / 35,000

Tournament B. Additional prizes, 300,000 tenge

1 st place	150,000
2 nd place	100,000
3 rd place	50,000

Tournament B. Additional prizes, 425,000 KZT

Women 1/2 places	40,000 / 25,000
Top Seniors S50 (born in 1974 and earlier)	25,000
Top Seniors S65 (born in 1959 and earlier)	25,000
Boys, born in 2010 and later 1/2 places	35,000 / 20,000
Girls, born in 2010 and later 1/2 places	35,000 / 20,000
Boys, born in 2012 and later 1/2 places	30,000 / 15,000
Girls, born in 2012 and later 1/2 places	30,000 / 15,000
Boys, born in 2014 and later 1/2 places	25,000 / 15,000
Girls, born in 2014 and later 1/2 places	25,000 / 15,000
Top Boys born in 2016 and later	15,000
Top Girls born in 2016 and later	15,000

Tournament C. Blitz Tournament. Main prizes, 325,000 KZT

1 st place	120,000
2 nd place	85,000
3 rd place	55,000
4 th place	40,000
5 th place	25,000

Tournament C. Blitz tournament. Additional prizes, 175,000 KZT

Top Women	25,000
Top Seniors S50 (born in 1974 and earlier)	25,000
Top Seniors S65 (born in 1959 and earlier)	25,000
Top Boys born in 2010 and later	30,000
Top Girls born in 2010 and later	30,000
Top Boys born in 2014 and later	20,000
Top Girls born in 2014 and later	20,000

5.3 The winner of tournament B receives the title of CM of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

5.4 The main and additional prizes will not be divided. Players are eligible to win only one prize - the prize with the higher monetary value.

5.5 Prizes will be transferred to the winners' bank accounts or their legal representatives.

5.6 Taxes will be withheld from all prizes according to the current legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

6. Travel and accommodation of participants

6.1 All traveling expenses of the tournament participants will be paid by their respective organizations or by the participants themselves.

6.2 Players with titles can apply for conditions by email cshkastana@mail.ru

These regulations shall be considered as the official invitation to the Tournament