# REGULATIONS (Translated to English) 18<sup>th</sup> International Chess Tournament, Tashkent (OPEN), Memorial of Georgy Agzamov, the first grandmaster of Uzbekistan Tashkent, Uzbekistan 19th March – 30th March 2025

"APPROVED" Secretary-General Uzbekistan Chess Federation

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## 1. Objectives and goals of the tournament

**1.1.** The objectives of the competition:

- To ensure the implementation of the Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan No. PD-150 of May 8, 2023 "On comprehensive preparation for the 46th World Chess Olympiad to be held in Uzbekistan in 2026 and measures to turn chess into a mass movement";

- Engagement of youth, amateurs and qualified chess players to participate in chess competitions and tournaments;

- Popularization and development of chess in Uzbekistan;

- Preservation and multiplication of cultural and sports traditions;

- Development of skills of Uzbekistan chess players.

## 2. Host Organizations

2.1. The general management and organization of the competition is carried out by the Uzbekistan Chess Federation (hereinafter UCF), supported by FIDE and in cooperation with the Youth Affairs Agency of the Republic of Uzbekistan. The direct management of the tournament is entrusted to the Board of Arbiters.

# 3. Time and Venue of the Tournament

**3.1.** The Tournament takes place in Tashkent city in the International Chess Academy from March 19th (arrival) till March 30h (departure), 2025.

3.2. Adress: st. Anhor bo'yi, 10A.

## 4. Tournament System

4.1. The competition will be conducted in accordance with FIDE regulations, divided into two sections:

In group A - Players rated 1800 or higher;

In group B - Players rated 1999 or lower.

FIDE Rating shall be considered as on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2025 (standard).

- **4.2.** The tournament will be held in 10 rounds using the Swiss system. Each player will receive 90 minutes, starting from the first move, with an additional 30 seconds increment per move. Draws will not be allowed before the 30th move.
- **4.3.** The maximum default time for a round is 15 minutes. Players who fail to appear for 2 rounds in the row will be disqualified from the competition.
- 4.4. The ratings of invited foreign chess players will be based on the FIDE rating list of March 1st, 2025.

**4.5.** Applications for participation in the tournament from foreign chess players should be sent to the official email of the Uzbekistan Chess Federation: uzchess@inbox.ru, no later than March 10th, 2025.

# 5. Tournament Program

# Group A

| Date Event |   | Time  |  |
|------------|---|-------|--|
| 19.03.2025 | Arrival                                   |       |  |
| 20.03.2025 | Opening ceremony<br>1 <sup>st</sup> round | 14.00 |  |
| 21.03.2025 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> round                     | 14.00 |  |
| 22.03.2025 | 3 <sup>rd</sup> round                     | 14.00 |  |
| 23.03.2025 | 4 <sup>th</sup> round                     | 14.00 |  |
| 24.03.2025 | 5 <sup>th</sup> round                     | 14.00 |  |
| 25.03.2025 | 6 <sup>th</sup> round                     | 14.00 |  |
| 26.03.2025 | 7 <sup>th</sup> round                     | 14.00 |  |
| 27.03.2025 | 8 <sup>th</sup> round                     | 14.00 |  |
| 28.03.2025 | 9 <sup>th</sup> round                     | 14.00 |  |
| 29.03.2025 | 10 <sup>th</sup> round                    | 14.00 |  |
| 29.03.2025 | Closing ceremony                          | 19.00 |  |
| 30.03.2025 | Departure                                 |       |  |

# **Group B**

| Date       | Event                                     | Time  |  |
|------------|---|-------|--|
| 19.03.2025 | Arrival                                   |       |  |
| 20.03.2025 | Opening ceremony<br>1 <sup>st</sup> round | 09:30 |  |
| 21.03.2025 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> round                     | 09:30 |  |
| 22.03.2025 | 3 <sup>rd</sup> round                     | 09:30 |  |
| 23.03.2025 | 4 <sup>th</sup> round                     | 09:30 |  |
| 24.03.2025 | 5 <sup>th</sup> round                     | 09:30 |  |
| 25.03.2025 | 6 <sup>th</sup> round                     | 09:30 |  |
| 26.03.2025 | 7 <sup>th</sup> round                     | 09:30 |  |
| 27.03.2025 | 8 <sup>th</sup> round                     | 09:30 |  |
| 28.03.2025 | 9 <sup>th</sup> round                     | 09:30 |  |
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# 6. Determination of winners and prizes

6.1. Winners are determined by number points scored and, in case of a tie, by the following tie breaks:

- 1) Buchholz Cut -1;
- 2) Buchholz;
- 3) Direct encounter;
- 4) The greater number of wins;
- 5) Rating performance.

6.2. If participants have equal scores their prizes will not be shared and will be distributed according to the abovementioned tie breaks. If one player wins in two nominations, prizes are not summarized, the bigger prize or the main prize shall be awarded. Monetary prizes will be awarded to the prize-winners at the award ceremony or can be transferred to the winners' bank accounts, bank cards, or paid in cash only after providing all necessary documents. Bank charges, taxes, and mandatory payments may be deducted from the prizes.

## The total prize fund is 75 000 US dollars.

## Prize fund for Group A:

| М  | ain awards |  | Special p | orizes         |                 |
|----|------------|--|-----------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1  | 20000      | W  | /omen     | Juniors und    | er 20 years old |
| 2  | 10000      | 1  | 1500      | 1              | 1000            |
| 3  | 7000       | 2  | 1000      | 2              | 700             |
| 4  | 4000       | 3  | 500       | 3              | 500             |
| 5  | 3000       |  |           |                |                 |
| 6  | 2000       |  |           |                |                 |
| 7  | 1500       |  |           |                |                 |
| 8  | 1200       | Seniors (50 and older, 65 and older) Youth under 14 year |           | r 14 years old |                 |
| 9  | 1000       | 1  | 500       | 1              | 500             |
| 10 | 900        | 1  | 500       | 2              | 300             |
| 11 | 800        | N  |           |                |                 |
| 12 | 700        |  |           |                |                 |
| 13 | 600        |  |           |                |                 |
| 14 | 500        |  |           |                |                 |

| 15     | 500    |  |        |      |
|--------|--------|--|--------|------|
| Total: | 53 700 |  | Total: | 7000 |

Prize fund for Group B:

| М     | lain awards |                 | Speci                    | al prizes |       |  |
|-------|-------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------|-------|--|
| 1     | 2500        | Youth und       | Youth under 14 years old |           | Women |  |
| 2     | 2000        | 1               | 300                      | 1         | 500   |  |
| 3     | 1800        | 2               | 200                      | 2         | 300   |  |
| 4     | 1400        |                 |                          | 3         | 200   |  |
| 5     | 1100        |                 |                          |           |       |  |
| 6     | 900         | Seniors (50 and | older, 65 and older)     |           |       |  |
| 7     | 800         | 1               | 300                      |           |       |  |
| 8     | 700         | 1               | 300                      |           |       |  |
| 9     | 600         |                 |                          |           |       |  |
| 10    | 400         |                 |                          |           |       |  |
| otal: | 12 200      |                 |                          | Total:    | 2100  |  |

**6.3.** Winners from Uzbekistan will be awarded their prizes in the national currency at the exchange rate set by the Central Bank of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

## 7. Tournament Participants and Entry Fees

7.1. Chess players with the international title of <u>GM, IM, WGM, WIM</u> are exempt from the participation fee.

**Registration fees for Group A, participants from Uzbekistan** (*due by March 15*): Chess players with a FIDE rating of 2200 and above: 450 000 sum; Chess players with a FIDE rating of 2000-2199: 500 000 sum;

Registration fees for Group B, participants from Uzbekistan (due by March 15):

Chess players with a FIDE rating of 1600-1999: 450 000 sum;

Chess players with a FIDE rating under 1600: 500 000 sum;

Chess players without a FIDE rating: 550 000 sum.

A 50% discount is provided for individuals aged 60 and over and people with disabilities.

Participants are required to remit their participation fees to the bank account of the Uzbekistan Chess Federation:

| Account   | 2021 2000 1001 7827 6001 | INN 201710234 |
|-----------|--------------------------|---------------|
| Bank name | PJSCB "DAVR BANK"        | MFO 00981     |

## 7.2. Payments for international participants of Groups A and B (due by March 15):

100 US dollars.

A 50% discount is provided for individuals aged 60 and over and people with disabilities still applies.

Foreign nationals shall make payments to the following bank account:

| Uzbekistan Chess Federation     | Account: 2021 2840 2001 7827 6009                |
|---------------------------------|--|
| S.W.I.F.T.: DVRBUZ22            | Location: 98A Karimov str., Tashkent, Uzbekistan |
| Bank name: P.J.S.C. "DAVR BANK" | Bank phone number: (99871) 207-09-81             |

# 7.3. The Uzbekistan Chess Federation will review all applications and, subject to mandatory preliminary approval, will select 10 foreign grandmaster with a FIDE rating of 2550 or higher:

full board single-room accommodation va airfare reimbursement (economy class) up to 1200 USD. Complimentary accommodation is provided from March 26th 2PM (lunchtime) until April 3<sup>rd</sup> midday (breakfast included). Early check-in, delay and additional nights are at the guest's expense.

## 8. Appeal Committee

**8.1.** To consider appeals filed as a result of the tournament, an Appeals Committee shall be established, consisting of at least 5 members. The composition of the Appeals Committee shall be approved by the Organizing Committee.

**8.2.** Participants who disagree with the tournament arbiters and their decisions may appeal to the Appeals Committee during the competition.

#### 9. Fair Play Rules

**9.1.** All participants shall comply and co-operate with the Fair Play rules. Players may be removed from the tournament at any time on final decision of the Chief Arbiter based on fair play rules.

**9.2.** All the players agree that they have no right to appeal the aforementioned actions either through arbitration, consultation or in a court of law within any jurisdiction. Participants have no right to appeal for pairings made during the tournament. By registering in the tournament, players will not have the right to claim any financial compensation or redress related to the tournament. For the success of the event the Organizer has the right to change the schedule with due notice, update the regulations or decide for any matter that is not mentioned in the current regulations.

## 10. Visas

**10.1.** Participants requiring a visa to enter Uzbekistan must register and submit copies of their passports by March 10, 2025. Otherwise, the organizers cannot guarantee visa support.

**10.2.** In case of visa refusal by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Uzbekistan, the organizers are not authorized to provide additional services.

#### 11. Dress Code and Health Measures

**11.1.** Adherence to FIDE dress code regulations is mandatory. Failure to comply will result in the participant's disqualification from the tournament.

A participant may be removed from the tournament if he/she exhibits a fever or other signs of illness. The rules may be supplemented by additional provisions as needed.

## 12. Tournament Funding

**12.1.** The prize fund, organizational expenses, transportation, accommodation, and meals for invited arbiters, players, and officials during the competition shall be covered by the organizers. Expenses of other participants and trainers shall be borne by the sending organizations.

## 13. Final Provisions

13.1. To ensure the successful conduct of the tournament, the Organizing Committee may make amendments to the tournament regulations.

13.2. All chess players participating in the tournament are required to take part in media events organized by "Uzchess" and give interviews. In the event of a participant's refusal to provide an interview or comment on their games, a fine of 100 USD will be imposed for each missed interview.

## **Contact details:**

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