



REGULATIONS

2nd International Chess Tournament – “Al-Beruniy”

Tashkent, Uzbekistan

2nd February – 12th February 2025

1. Objectives and goals of the tournament:

1.1 To ensure the implementation of the Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan No. PP-4954 of January 14, 2021 “On measures to further develop and popularize chess and improve the system of training chess players”, as well as the Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan No. PP-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”;

1.2. Improving the skills of members of Uzbekistan national team;

1.3. Knowledge sharing with foreign chess masters.

2. Time and Venue of the Tournament

2.1. The tournament will be held from February 2 to 12, 2025, at the International Chess Academy.

3. Tournament Regulations

3.1. The tournament will be organized into 3 groups according to FIDE rules:

“Masters” Group: 6 foreign chess players with a rating of 2600 and above are eligible to participate. 4 chess players from Uzbekistan, selected by the tournament organizers, may also participate.

“Challengers” Group: 6 foreign chess players with a rating of 2500 and above are eligible to participate. 4 chess players from Uzbekistan, selected by the tournament organizers, may also participate.

“Futures” Group: 6 foreign chess players with a rating of 2400 and above are eligible to participate. 4 chess players from Uzbekistan, selected by the tournament organizers, may also participate.

3.2. The tournament will be held as a 9 rounds round-robin system tournament. Each player will have 90 minutes for the game, with an additional 30 seconds added per move starting from the first move. Draws are not allowed before the 30th move.

3.3. The maximum default time for a round is 15 minutes. Players who miss 3 consecutive rounds will be disqualified from the tournament.

3.4. The ratings of invited foreign chess players will be considered as of January 1, 2025.

3.5. Foreign chess players wishing to participate in the tournament may submit an application by January 15, 2025, to the official email address of the Uzbekistan Chess Federation: uzchess@inbox.ru.

3.6. The composition of Uzbek chess players will be considered and approved by the Trainers' council of the Uzbekistan Chess Federation. Uzbek chess players may submit a written application to the Trainers' council by January 15, 2025.

4. Tournament Program

Date	Event	Time
02.02.2025	Arrival	
03.02.2025	Opening ceremony	14 ⁰⁰
	1 st round	14 ³⁰
04.02.2025	2 nd round	14 ⁰⁰
05.02.2025	3 rd round	14 ⁰⁰
06.02.2025	4 th round	14 ⁰⁰
07.02.2025	5 th round	14 ⁰⁰
08.02.2025	6 th round	14 ⁰⁰
09.02.2025	7 th round	14 ⁰⁰
10.02.2025	8 th round	14 ⁰⁰
11.02.2025	9 th round	11 ⁰⁰
	Tie-break	16 ⁰⁰
	Closing ceremony	18 ⁰⁰
12.02.2025	Departure	

5. Tournament Rules

5.1. Winners will be determined by the total number of points scored. In case of a tie, a tie-break will be organized for 1st place. The tie-break format: 2 blitz games. Time control: 3 minutes + 2 seconds increment per move.

5.2. If the players have an equal number of points after the tie-break, the winner will be determined by Armageddon rules. Armageddon time control: 4 minutes for White, 3 minutes for Black. Additionally, after 60 moves, 2 seconds will be added to the clock for each subsequent move.

5.3. The following criteria will be used to determine the remaining places:

1. Direct encounter;
2. Sonneborn-Berger score;
3. Total number of wins;
4. Number of wins with black pieces.

5.4. If the participants have an equal number of points, their prizes will not be shared.

5.5. Prize money can be transferred to the winners' bank accounts, bank cards, or paid in cash only after providing all necessary documents.

5.6. Prizes will not be awarded to participants who are absent from the award ceremony. Bank charges, taxes, and mandatory payments may be deducted from the prizes.

5.7. The total prize fund is 68 700 US dollars.

S/n	“Masters” Group	“Challengers” Group	“Futures” Group
1.	10 000 US dollars	5 000 US dollars	3 500 US dollars
2.	8 000 US dollars	4 000 US dollars	2 500 US dollars
3.	6 000 US dollars	3 000 US dollars	2 000 US dollars
4.	4 000 US dollars	2 000 US dollars	1 500 US dollars
5.	3 000 US dollars	1 000 US dollars	1 000 US dollars
6.	2 000 US dollars	800 US dollars	800 US dollars
7.	1 500 US dollars	700 US dollars	700 US dollars
8.	1 200 US dollars	500 US dollars	500 US dollars
9.	1 000 US dollars	500 US dollars	300 US dollars
10.	1 000 US dollars	500 US dollars	200 US dollars
TOTAL	37 700 US dollars	18 000 US dollars	13 000 US dollars

5.8. 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.

6. Appeal Committee

6.1. 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.

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

7. Visas

7.1. Participants requiring a visa to enter Uzbekistan must register and submit copies of their passports by January 15, 2025. Otherwise, the organizers cannot guarantee visa support.

7.2. 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.

8. Dress Code and Health Measures

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

8.2. A participant may be removed from the tournament if he/she exhibit a fever or other signs of illness.

9. Fair Play Rules

9.1. All participants must adhere to FIDE's Fair Play rules and cooperate. Players may be excluded from the tournament at any time based on the final decision of the Chief Arbiter, grounded in the principles of Fair Play.

9.2. No player shall have the right to appeal the aforementioned actions to arbitration, court, or seek legal counsel. Participants shall not have the right to appeal any pairings made during the tournament. Registered participants shall not be entitled to any additional compensation.

10. Tournament Funding

10.1. The prize fund, organizational expenses, transportation, accommodation, and meals for invited arbiters, players, and officials during the competition shall be covered by the organizers.

10.2. Expenses of other participants and trainers shall be borne by the sending organizations.

11. Final Provisions

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

11.2. All chess players participating in the tournament shall be required to participate in and give interviews at the media events organized by "Uzchess". In the event of a participant's refusal to comment on their games and provide an interview, a fine of 300 US dollars will be imposed for each missed interview.

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