

Report of QC Chairperson to FIDE Council August 2022

1. Prague Meeting

There was a QC meeting June, 7-8 in Prague.

In attendance: Werner Stubenvoll (Honorary Chairman), Sabrina de San Vicente (Chairman), Nick Faulks (Councillor), Alex Holowczak (Councillor).

The following topics were discussed:

- Rapid & Blitz ratings
 - Amend the k-factors to be the same as those used for standardplay
 - A one-off rating change such that the ratings for rapid and blitz are amended to:
 - If the player is unrated in rapid or blitz, then they remain unrated in rapid or blitz
 - If the standard rating is > 100 points higher than one of the other ratings, then that rating is moved up to standard rating minus 100 points
 - If the standard rating is <= 100 points higher than one of the ratings, then the player retains their rating
 - Action date and applied from of 1st October, 2022
- Junior Titles
 - Replacing conditionally awarded direct titles in junior tournaments
 - Expire when the player becomes U21, and removed from their FIDE profile
 - J_M in the open section, G_M in the girl's section (to keep three-character limit)
 - No charge, awarded on application
 - Historically awarded conditional direct titles may apply for these titles instead
 - Titles will only apply to junior tournaments
 - Conditional direct title ratings will only apply to non-junior direct title tournaments in future
 - Applied from 1st January, 2023
- Checking FIDE titlenorms
 - Introduce regulations where players/Federations can have a norm checked, subject to a downpayment of 50% of the title application fee

being paid. The total payment for checking of norms will not exceed the price for the whole title application.

- Applied from 1st January, 2023
- Licencing Regulations Update
 - Amendments from 2019 revised
 - Remove the right of a Federation to “hide” their players, they can only apply to FIDE Council for them to be FID
 - Further amendments proposed (see separate document)
 - Applied from 1st January, 2023
- Transfer Regulations Update
 - Bar on players being able to accelerate their eligibility to play in the Olympiad by paying the fees; drafting to be worked on
 - Further amendments proposed (see attached document)
 - Applied from 1st January, 2023
- FIDE Endorsed Programs
 - Speak to SPP about practicalities of including checking programs produce norm certificates correctly (and tie-breaks – note, this is a TBWG question!)

Next steps:

- Work on amendments to the Rapid & Blitz rating regulations in time for the Management Board to consider, and in time for them to be approved by the FIDE Congress in Chennai
- Work on amendments to the other regulations (see above) in time for the Management Board to consider in the aftermath of the FIDE Congress in Chennai
- Speak with SPP about the FIDE Endorsed Programs procedure.

2. Rapid & Blitz

It was submitted a proposal to the Management Board 11/07/2022 to consider:

- **A one-off rating change to Rapid and Blitz**

In the rating list published on 1st October, 2022, there will be a one-off change to the rapid and blitz ratings of players who have them:

- If the player is unrated in rapid or blitz, then they remain unrated in rapid or blitz
- If the standard rating is more than 100 points higher than one of the other ratings, then that rating is moved up to: standard rating minus 100 points
- If the standard rating is 100 or less points higher than one of the ratings, then the player retains their rating

- Amend the k-factors to be the same as those used for standardplay

Article	Old Version 1 January 2022 to 30 September 2022	New Version 1 October 2022
7.3.3	<p>K is the development coefficient.</p> <p>K = 20 in all cases, except that if the number of games (n) for a player on any list for a rating period exceeds 35, then K shall be the largest whole number such that $n \times K$ does not exceed 700.</p>	<p>K is the development coefficient.</p> <p>K = 40 for a player new to the rating list until they have completed events with at least 30 games.</p> <p>K = 20 as long as a player's rating remains under 2400.</p> <p>K = 10 once a player's published rating has reached 2400 and remains at that level subsequently, even if the rating drops below 2400.</p> <p>K = 40 for all players until the end of the year of their 18th birthday, as long as their rating remains under 2300.</p> <p>If the number of games (n) for a player on any list for a rating period multiplied by K (as defined above) exceeds 700, then K shall be the largest whole number such that $K \times n$ does not exceed 700.</p>

3. Title Applications

We are submitting our recommendations on title applications.

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QC Chair 18.07.2022