



Western Asian Juniors & Girls Chess Championships 2023

28th November to 6th December 2023, Sri Lanka

The Chess Federation of Sri Lanka under the auspices of the Asian Chess Federation and FIDE invites National Chess Federations affiliated to Asian Chess Federation to participate in the Western Asian Junior Chess Championships 2023 to be held from 28th November to 6th of December 2023 in Colombo, Sri Lanka.

Participation

1. Entitled to participate are Chess players from Western Asian Chess Federations affiliated to the Asian Chess Federation, namely FIDE Zones 3.1, 3.2, 3.4, 3.7 and 3.8. The participant must not have reached his 20th birthday, before January 1st 2023.

1.1 Each country may register one official player and any number of additional players to participate in Under 20 years in both Boys and Girls.

1.2 In case there are fewer than ten players and five Federations in an event, both groups shall be merged.

Playing Schedule

2. The Championships will be played according to the Swiss System of 9 rounds or round robin for 10 players.

Date	Time	Details
28 th November 2023	14.00	Arrival
29 th November 2023	9.30	Opening Ceremony & Technical Meeting
29 th November 2023	10.30	Rapid Championship Rounds 1-3
	16.00	Rounds 4-7
30 th November 2023	9.30	Round 1
	16.00	Round 2
1 st December 2023	9.30	Round 3
	16.00	Round 4
2 nd December 2023	9.30	Round 5
3 rd December 2023	9.30	Round 6

	16.00	Round 7
4 th December 2023	9.30	Round 8
5 th December 2023	9.30	Round 9
	16.00	Blitz Championship -7 Rounds
	20.00	Closing & Award Ceremony
6 th December 2023	Departure -before 11:59 am	

Playing Conditions

3. The tournament will be played according to the Rules of Play of FIDE.

3.1 The games shall be played using electronic clocks. The time control is 90 minutes for the whole game with an increment of 30 seconds per move starting from move 1. Forfeit time is 15 minutes.

3.2. Time control for Rapid Chess is 15 minutes plus 10 second increment per move from move 1.

3.3 Time control for Blitz chess is 3 minutes plus 2 second increment per move from move 1.

Chief Arbiter and his Assistants

4. The Asian Chess Federation President will nominate the Chief Arbiter, as well as the necessary assistant arbiters and other officials.

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

4.2 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 fifteen minutes after completion of the relevant Game. A protest shall be submitted with an accompanying fee of \$100 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. No protests will be entertained for Rapid and Blitz.

Appeals Committee

5. The Technical Delegate shall be nominated by the Asian Chess Federation President. The Appeals Committee shall be composed of a Chairman, the Technical Delegate to be appointed by the Asian Chess Federation President, two other members and two reserves, all from different Federations, chosen from among the representatives of national federations present.

5.1 No member of the committee shall have the right to decide on questions concerning his own federation. In such cases the member concerned shall have the right only to take part in the discussions of the committee.

Designation of the winner

6. The order of the players is determined according to the number of points obtained. If at the end of the tournament two or more players are tied, the tie shall be broken by the tiebreak systems in the following order:

- a) Direct Encounter
- b) Buchholz Cut 2
- c) Buchholz Cut 1
- d) The greater number of wins (forfeits counted)
- e) Blitz Match or tournament between tied players only on the top three spots in each category.

6.1 In case the above still does not produce a decision, the players remaining tied will be proclaimed joint winners. The gold medal for the title shall be decided by draw of lots.

6.2 The Gold medalist in Standard Chess event shall receive a Grandmaster (GM/WGM) norm. Equal first (best 3 after tie break) shall receive the title of International Master (IM/WIM), with silver and bronze medalists to receive FM/WFM title and IM/WIM norms in accordance with FIDE title regulations.

For a Direct Title to be awarded an applicant has to have achieved at some time or other a minimum rating as follows: IM 2200, WIM 2000, FM 2100, WFM 1900.

Medals: Medals shall be awarded to the top three positions in each event.

Accommodation

8.1 All players should stay at the official hotels booked by the organizers. The Cost of full board and lodging to be paid to the Organizing Committee is \$ (80/60/50) per person per day in a (Single/Double /Triple) room.

8.2 The official players for one player each in each category and one official coach will be accommodated in Double rooms for organizer's account. If there are no players from the same country, players/ officials from different countries will be shared in double rooms. If any player needs a room upgrade, the difference should be paid by the participant.

Registration and Entry Fees

9.1 Please submit registration form and passport copy by 30th October 2023

9.2 A registration fee to the Organizing Committee of US\$ 100 is required for every participant (players, officer or accompanying person). This amount must be paid to the Organizing Committee at the time of registration.

9.3 An entry fee for every official player is 75\$ and additional Player 150\$ which includes participation into STD, RPD & BLITZ . This must be paid to the Organizing Committee at the time of registration.

9.5 Payments should be made to:

Bank: Commercial Bank

Branch: City Office, Colombo 1, Sri Lanka.

A/C Number: 1560248301

Swift Code: **CCEYLK LX**

Name of Account: Chess Federation of Sri Lanka

Address: 151/12, Siridhamma Mawatha, Colombo 10, Sri Lanka. (Postal Code 01000)

10. Contact details:

10.1 All details and clarifications from:

Mr. Luxman Wijesuriya

President – Chess Federation of Sri Lanka

Chairman – Organizing Committee,

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