



NATIONAL RAPID AND NATIONAL BLITZ CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023-24

EVENT CODE FOR RAPID

360352/MAH(R)/ 2024

EVENT CODE FOR BLITZ

360353/MAH(B)/ 2024

DATE: 4TH TO 7TH MARCH, 2024

Organised by

**Nashik District
Chess Association**

On behalf of

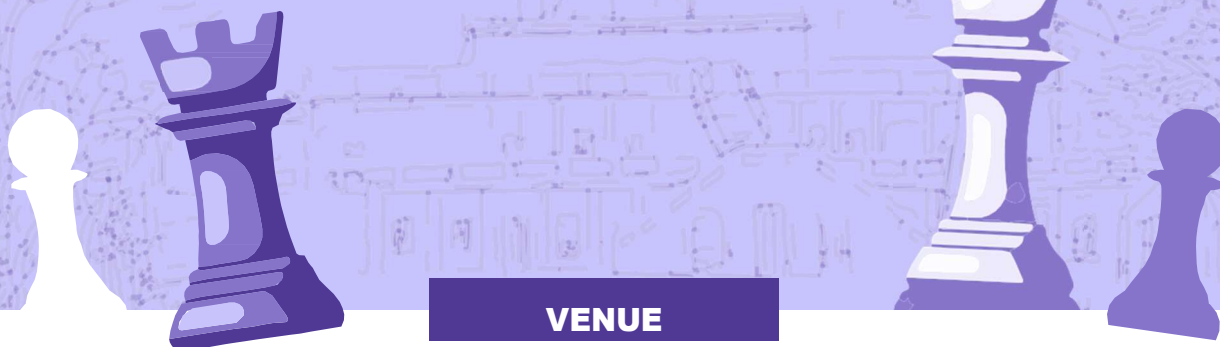
**Maharashtra
Chess Association**

Under the aegis of

**All India Chess
Federation**

Supported by

Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India



VENUE

**Shankaracharya Nyas, Shankaracharya Sankul, Old Gangapur
Naka, Gangapur Road, Nashik - 422013 [Maharashtra]**

**TOTAL PRIZE FUND FOR RAPID
RS. 4,00,000/-**

**TOTAL PRIZE FUND FOR BLITZ
RS. 2,50,000/-**

1: Tournament Schedule

RAPID

PARTICULARS	DATE	TIME
Arrival	03-March-2024	17:00 hrs.
Technical Meeting	04-March-2024	09:00 hrs.
Inauguration	04-March-2024	09:30 hrs.
Round-1	04-March-2024	11:30 hrs.
Round-2	04-March-2024	13:00 hrs.
Round-3	04-March-2024	15:00 hrs.
Round-4	04-March-2024	16:30 hrs.
Round-5	05-March-2024	10:00 hrs.
Round-6	05-March-2024	11:30 hrs.
Round-7	05-March-2024	13:00 hrs.
Round-8	05-March-2024	15:00 hrs.
Round-9	06-March-2024	11:00 hrs.
Round-10	06-March-2024	13:00 hrs.
Round-11	06-March-2024	15:00 hrs.
Prize Distribution	06-March-2024	16:30 to 17:30 hrs.
Departure	06-March-2024	17:30 hrs.

BLITZ

PARTICULARS	DATE	TIME
Round - 1	07-March-2024	09:00 hrs.
Round - 2	07-March-2024	09:30 hrs.
Round - 3	07-March-2024	10:00 hrs.
Round - 4	07-March-2024	10:30 hrs.
Round - 5	07-March-2024	11:00 hrs.
Round - 6	07-March-2024	11:30 hrs.
Round - 7	07-March-2024	12:00 hrs.
Round - 8	07-March-2024	12:30 hrs.
Round - 9	07-March-2024	14:00 hrs.
Round - 10	07-March-2024	14:30 hrs.
Round - 11	07-March-2024	15:00 hrs.
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2: PRIZES

The cash prizes will be awarded to 25 players in Rapid category amounting to Rs.4,00,000/- and in Blitz category to 15 players amounting to Rs.2,50,000/- as given below:

PRIZES	RAPID	PRIZES	BLITZ
1	75000	1	50000
2	60000	2	40000
3	50000	3	30000
4	40000	4	25000
5	30000	5	20000
6	20000	6	15000
7	15000	7	15000
8	15000	8	10000
9	10000	9	10000
10	10000	10	10000
11 to 25	5000	11 to 15	5000

3: ELIGIBILITY

- Every affiliated State Association/Institutional member of the All India Chess Federation shall be entitled to send two entries in each category. If any association/affiliated unit fails to send its fill quota, the vacancies so caused shall not be filled.
- All Grandmasters, International Masters and Women Grandmasters.
- Top four players from the previous National Rapid & Blitz chess championships in their respective category.
- The host shall be entitled to fill one additional player in each category.
- Two players in each category from areas where no State Chess Association exists. Players from such areas shall write to Hon. Secretary, All India Chess Federation, 101-102, First Floor, A block, Naurang House, KG Marg, New Delhi-110001 for their entries.

- For Rapid any player who remits the prescribed special entry fee of Rs.2,500/-. For Blitz any player who remits the prescribed special entry fee of Rs.1,250/-. Such entries should come through the respective affiliated State Association.
- The Secretary of the All India Chess Federation can nominate one player in each category.
- If the total number of entries is an odd number, then the host association may add one more entry in the respective category to make it an even number.

4: DRESS CODE

As per AICF regulations on dress code for players participating in all the national championships, all state associations should send their players special/donor entry players with proper uniform (as regards special/donor players, the respective state chess associations may collect the cost of the uniform from the players). Players should at least wear uniform T Shirts/- formal shirts (same color and brand with the name of the State printed prominently at the back and the Girls/Women have also to be given appropriate uniform. The above rule will also be applicable to Special units. Players without proper uniform will not be permitted to take part in the championship. This will be strictly enforced.

5: ENTRIES/ENTRY FEE

All entries including special entries should come through the concerned State Association.

6: ENTRY FEE STRUCTURE

CATEGORY	RAPID	BLITZ
Ordinary	1,250/-	625/-
Special	2,500/-	1,250/-

There will be a 50% concession in entry fee for participants from North Eastern States and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

Entry fee will be accepted strictly online through: <https://prs.aicf.in/entry>.
For clarification and guidance regarding submission of entries,
please contact: aicfnationalentries@gmail.com

7: LATE FEE

Please note entry fee structure is valid till 20th February 2024. Thereafter a late fee of Rs.250/- per player will be levied. No entry will be entertained after 27th February 2024 (up to 17:00 hrs.)

8: SYSTEM OF PLAY

The Championship will be played under FIDE's Laws of Chess and the Swiss system. Totally, eleven rounds shall be played.

Players from the same state shall not be paired against each other in the last round. However, they may be paired if there is no compatible opponent with the same point group or score group with a maximum difference of 1 point. It is applicable only for the top 50% score of the penultimate round.

9: DEFAULT TIME

Default time for arriving to the chessboard is 15 minutes for Rapid and 3 minutes for Blitz. Players have to be at their table before the default time.

10: TIME CONTROL

The rate of play shall be 15 minutes with an increment of 10 seconds additional time per move, starting from move number one for Rapid Tournament and 03 minutes with increment of 2 seconds additional time per move, starting from move number one for Blitz Tournament.

11: CHESS CLOCKS

Each participating State Chess Association must provide at least one clock in working order for every two players entered into the Championship.

12: TIE BREAK

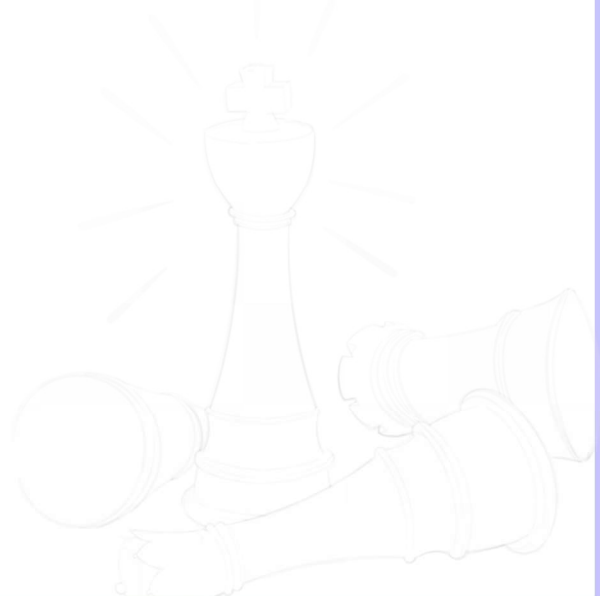
Following is the order of tie-break:

- a. Buchholz Cut1
- b. Buchholz
- c. Sonneborn Berger
- d. Direct encounter
- e. The greater number of wins (forfeit included)
- f. The greater number of wins by black

In case of tie, cash prizes will not be shared.

13: PROTEST

Protest, if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs.3000/- for Rapid and Rs.1000/- for Blitz within 15 minutes of the occurrence of the incident. The protest fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.



14: APPEALS COMMITTEE

Before the commencement of the tournament, a five-member appeals committee shall be formed by the AICF/organizers. All the members and reserves shall be from different states. No member of the Committee can vote on a dispute in which a player from his own State is involved and, in such case(s) the reserve member(s) shall take his place in the committee.

15: TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE


The organizers will form a tournament committee for the smooth conduct of the National Championship.

16: INTERPRETATION

For interpretation of the rule(s) and deciding any point not covered by the above rules of the tournament, the decision of the Tournament Committee shall be final and binding on all. The Tournament Committee has every right to make any addition or amendment to these rules, without notice. However, such changes/ or inclusion will be subject to AICF clearance. Such changes will, however, be displayed in the tournament hall.

17: WITHDRAWAL

If any player withdraws from the last two rounds in any national championship on medical grounds, he/she should undergo treatment by a doctor recommended and supervised by the tournament committee.



18: DISQUALIFICATION

No participant will leave the venue before the Prize Distribution function without the permission of the Chief Arbiter. The participants disregarding this rule will be suspended for one year.

19: REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS WITH AICF

All participants in the national championship shall be registered with AICF for the year 2023-2024 before the registration on AICF Online portal for National Entries. Online AICF registration can be done at the website www.aicf.in/players

20: ARREARS

All arrears of affiliation fee/tournament fee including those of the current year must be cleared by the affiliated association at the time of submitting the entries; otherwise the entries are liable to be rejected.

21: ELECTRONIC DEVICES

All electronic items including wrist watches (all type of watches) are not allowed in the tournament hall.

22: ACCOMMODATION

Free dormitory accommodation will be provided to all the selected and seeded players and one Manager from each state from 03rd March, 2024 to 07th March, 2024 & one accompanying official (manager/Coach) nominated by the concerned State Chess Association of each state. For special entries and accompanying persons they will have to make their own arrangement for stay.

All State selected players are requested to inform regarding accommodation to the organisers, no request will be entertained after 24th February regarding accommodation of selected & Seeded players.

For Accommodation, Kindly contact:

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ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

1. Shri. Vinay Bele

[Vice President Maharashtra Chess Association, President Nashik District Chess Association]

2. Shri. Sunil Sharma

3. Shri. Jayesh Bhandari

4. Shri. Jayram Sonawane

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

Chairman - Shri. Dhananjay Bele

[President Nashik Industries Manufacturers Association]

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NASHIK

Nashik is the largest city in the northern region of the Indian state of Maharashtra. Situated on the banks of river Godavari, Nashik is the fourth largest city in Maharashtra, after Mumbai, Pune and Nagpur. Nashik is well known for being one of the Hindu pilgrimage sites of the Kumbh Mela, which is held every 12 years. Nashik is located about 190 km north of state capital Mumbai. The city is called the "Wine Capital of India" as more than half of India's vineyards and wineries are located here. Around 90% of all wine produced in India comes from the Nashik Valley.

And Chess Lovers....!

Nashik is the home town of Super Grand Master Vidit Gujrathi.





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