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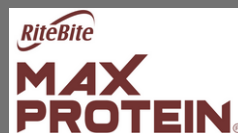


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Tournament Schedule

ROUND	DATE	TIME	ROUND	DATE	TIME
1	10/05/2025	10:00 AM	5	12/05/2025	3:30 PM
2	10/05/2025	3:30PM	6	13/05/2025	03:30PM
3	11/05/2025	10:00AM	7	14/05/2025	03:30PM
4	11/05/2025	03:30PM	8	15/05/2025	10:00AM

Entry Fees and Registration

Entry Fee Amount	₹3000/- Per Player
Registration and Payment Links	Register now
Check Your Name on Chess Results	Check Here
Last Date of Payment	30th April,2025
Maximum Entries	240 Maximum Players

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Invitation and Eligibility

SMCA Chess School cordially invites players from all the chess federations under FIDE (an international organization that connects various national federations -worldwide).

Tournament Prizes

Rank	Prize
1st	₹30,000
2nd	₹20,000
3rd	₹15,000
4th	₹10,000
5th	₹8,000
6th	₹7,000

Rank	Prize
7th to 10th	₹6,000
11th to 20th	₹5,000
21st to 25th	₹4,000
26th to 30th	₹3,500
Best Female 1st	₹5,100
Best Female 2nd	₹4,100
Best Female 3rd	₹3,100

Rank	Prize
Best Unrated 1st	₹5,100
Best Unrated 2nd	₹4,100
Best Unrated 3rd	₹3,100
Best Veteran (Above 60years) 1st	₹5,200
Best Veteran (Above 60years) 02nd	₹4,100
Best Veteran (Above 60years) 03rd	₹3,100

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Tournament Prizes

Rating	Prize
1400-1500	₹5,100 ₹4,100 ₹3,100
1501-1600	₹5,100 ₹4,100 ₹3,100
1601-1700	₹5,100 ₹4,100 ₹3,100
1701-1800	₹5,100 ₹4,100 ₹3,100
1801-1900	₹5,100 ₹4,100 ₹3,100

Notes:-

1. The prize shall not be shared, and a player shall only be eligible for one higher prize
2. The disbursement for prizes shall be by way of bank transfer within 7-10 working days after the submission of bank details and PAN card
3. As per the Income Tax rules of the Government of India, TDS @ 30% shall be deducted from the prize money amount of more than 10,000. The prize winners would be required to submit their PAN cards to file TDS returns.

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Age Category Prizes

A total of 24-medals (3 for boys and 3 for girls shall be awarded in the following four categories:

Category and Cut Off

UNDER-07 (1.1.2018)

UNDER-08 (1.1.2017)

UNDER-09 (1.1.2016)

UNDER-10 (1.1.2015)

Notes:-

1. The cut-off date for determining age -eligibility is January 1, 2025
2. The medals shall be awarded only to those in the age groups. For example, an under-7 player is not eligible for the U-8 prize.
3. A player would be eligible for one higher prize. A player who has won a cash prize shall not be eligible for age-category prizes

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Tournament Rules

System of Play & Time Control

The championship shall be played as per FIDE Laws of Chess for a total of 8 rounds Swiss-league. Each player shall have 90 minutes for the entire game with an increment of 30 seconds/move starting from the first move.

Default Time

Any player who arrives at the chessboard after 30-minutes from the start of the game shall lose the game. Thus, the default time is 30-minutes.

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

Draw Agreement

The rules of this tournament specify that players cannot agree for a draw by mutual agreement before 40-moves without the consent of the arbiter.

Electronic Devices & Bags

All electronic items including wrist watches (all type of watches) are not allowed in the tournament hall. Players found in possession of the items will be declared lost. In addition, no bags are allowed in the tournament hall.

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Tournament Rules

Appeals & Committee

Before the commencement of the tournament, a five-member appeals committee shall be formed among the coaches, arbitrators, and parents. 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, the reserve member shall take his place in the committee

Interpretations

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.

Tournaments Hall, Seating Arrangements, Security

Tournament Hall

The tournament shall be conducted in the two AC halls with a maximum capacity:

Accompanying Person Seating Arrangements

The seating arrangements for the accompanying person have been made in the spacious auditorium theatre of the Russian Centre for Science & Culture. The auditorium is fully air-conditioned (centralized).

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Only One Accompanying Person With A Player

The auditorium's capacity is 200 people maximum; hence, only one accompanying person will be allowed with a player.

No Entry For Accompanying Persons In The Tournament Hall

There is no entry for the parents/accompanying person in the tournament hall at all times. The players will directly go the tournament hall and accompanying persons in the auditorium.

High Security Zone, No Loitering Or Standing In The Campus

The Russian House is a 'High-Security Zone' with a 24x7 police presence. The rules do not allow loitering or standing on the campus. The players will proceed directly to the tournament hall for the game, while the accompanying persons will head for the auditorium. SMCA requests your co-operation and support to follow the rules laid by them.

Accommodation

Players are required to make their own arrangements for their stay.

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AICF & MCA Registration

Link to Renew your AICF Registration. (Your Status Should be "ACTIVE")

<https://prs.aicf.in/players>

Link for new players who have not registered for AICF

<https://prs.aicf.in/new-register>

Link for MCA Registration (Only for Maharashtra Players)

https://mcachess.in/Tournament_Registration/MCA_Registrations.php

To search your MCA ID

https://mcachess.in/Tournament_Registration/all_player_list.php

How To Reach The Venue, Location Map

Location Map

https://maps.app.goo.gl/G1FdnLmqZFh2q9nt5?g_st=com.google.maps.preview.copy

By Train On The Western Line

- For those coming by train on the western line, Grant Road is the nearest railway station the venue is approximately 2 km away.
- You can avail of bus service number 155 (fare is 5/-), which is available opposite platform 1 (extreme gate on the north side towards Borivali).
- Please get down at 'Cumballa Hill Post Office Bus Stop (also known as Peddar Road Bus Stop). The Russian House is just 2-buildings away on the lane from the bus stop.
- You can also avail of the sharing taxi (fare is 12/- while going and return fare is 10/-) service near to 155 bus stop. The dropping point is also the bus stop.

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By Road

- For those coming from the Haji Ali side, the Cumballa Hill Post Office Bus Stop is the landmark. This bus stop is located between Jaslok Hospital and Nalanda Bus Stop. For those coming from the Babulnath Temple, the other landmarks to remember are the 'Light of Persia' restaurant and IndusInd Bank.
- For those coming from Kemp's corner side, you need to take a U-turn at the signal (known as M. R. Morarka Chowk) after crossing the Cumballa Hill Post O/Sterling Apartment Bus Stop.

No Parking, No Entry, Car Drop & PPL

No Parking, No Vehicle Entry, Car Drop & Public Parking Lot

The lane leading to the Russian House is a 'PRIVATE LANE' with 'No-Parking' (for residents too). Also, being a narrow lane with a heavy density of resident cars, the following instructions need to be strictly adhered to:

- 1) There is strictly no entry for cars in the lane.
- 2) Please ensure car drop-off & pick-up at the corner of the lane (avoid blocking the bus stop).
- 3) The player and accompanying person walk up the lane to the venue.
- 4) The public parking lot is available in the next lane (Murli Deora Marg & Altamount Road) near to Chitrakoot Apartment & Altamount Lodha.

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