



FIDE World U9-U17 Rapid & Blitz Chess Championships
Antalya - Turkiye
15th December – 21st December 2025



1. INVITATION

The organizers, International Chess Federation (FIDE) and Turkish Chess Federation (TCF), are inviting all National Chess Federations affiliated to FIDE to participate in the FIDE World U9-U17 Rapid & Blitz Championship 2025. The dates are December 15th (arrival) to December 21st (departure).

2. SCHEDULE

December 15		Arrival
December 16	10:00	Technical meeting
December 16	14:30	Opening ceremony
December 16	15:00	Rapid day 1
December 17	15:00	Rapid day 2
December 18	15:00	Rapid day 3
December 19	15:00	Blitz day 1
December 20	15:00	Blitz day 2
December 20	20:30	Closing ceremony
December 21		Departure

*Approximate time. More details will be provided during the technical meeting along with the number of rounds.

3. PARTICIPATION

3.1 There shall be 5 categories; namely, Under-9 Under-11, Under-13, Under-15 and Under-17 with separate events for Open and Girls.

3.2 The players placed 1-3 in the FIDE World School Rapid and Blitz Chess Championships 2024 will have the personal right to participate in the championship in the corresponding age-category or a higher age- category if they fulfil the conditions that they have not reached the age of 9, 11, 13, 15, or 17 years, respectively, by January 1, 2025.

3.3 Entitled to participate are players who shall not have reached the age of 9, 11, 13, 15, and 17 before 1

January 2025:

Under 09: Born on or after 1 January 2016
 Under 11: Born on or after 1 January 2014
 Under 13: Born on or after 1 January 2012
 Under 15: Born on or after 1 January 2010
 Under 17: Born on or after 1 January 2008



3.4 FIDE- endorsed Chess Academies also have the right to register players through their respective National Chess Federation with a copy to the Trainers' Commission for endorsement.

3.5 National Chess Federations might send any number of participants to the tournament if they follow the registration rules.

4.REGISTRATION



4.1 The deadline for registration is **October 15th 2025**.

4.2 The Registration fee is **120,00** Euros for each player and each accompanying official/person. The registration fee is compulsory and represents a confirmation of participation. The Registration fee includes transportation from and to Antalya International Airport on the official arrival and departure days, accreditation and organization costs.

4.3 The Payment deadline (registration, entry fees and accommodation) is October 15th 2025.

4.4 In order to ensure proper tournament standards, FIDE member federations must fully complete the excel form before the registration deadline of October 15th, 2025. Incomplete registrations will not be accepted.

4.5 After the registration deadline, organizers reserve the right to refuse or decline late registrations, or if there is availability a penalty of 100,00 Euros for each late registration will be charged to participants.

4.6 In accordance with FIDE regulations, the FIDE fee of 70,00 Euros (blitz 35 & rapid 35 Euros) should be paid before the start of the tournament.

The National Federations must send this amount directly to the FIDE bank account or FIDE will charge the respective National Federation account.



5.FIDE TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

5.1 The Chief Arbiter along with the Fair Play officer will be announced in due time.

5.2 FIDE Technical Delegate and FIDE Officials will be announced in due time.

6.VISA INFORMATION

6.1 Those who need visas must submit their data the latest on October 15th 2025. To proceed with the visa application, each federation/player must;

6.2 Request the visa invitation letter by e-mail from the organizing committee.

6.3 The Organizers will provide VISA assistance only after all the pre-payments are made.

6.4 For visa-related information, please check here
<https://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa>



7.TRAVEL INFORMATION / AIRPORT TRANSFER

7.1 The organizer will provide services from Antalya International Airport to the official hotel for all participants and accompanying people on official arrival and departure days. The dates are December 15th (arrival) to December 21st (departure).

7.2 If any delegation arrives one or two days before the competition or leaves later the same service will be provided at an additional price, 40 euros per person (both ways) or 20 euros per person (one way).

7.3 All participants are required to send their flight details of arrivals and departures to Organizers before December 1st to provide transfer service. Otherwise, organizers won't bear any responsibility for their transfers.

7.4 Players who make private transport arrangements and clearly indicate this in the registration form will be fully responsible for any problems they experience during arrival or departure.

8.HOTEL, MEALS, AND VENUE

8.1 The tournament venue shall be in the Aska Lara Hotel.

8.2 The reservation will be done on a "First Come, First Served" basis.

8.3 Hotel reservation deadline is October 15th 2025.

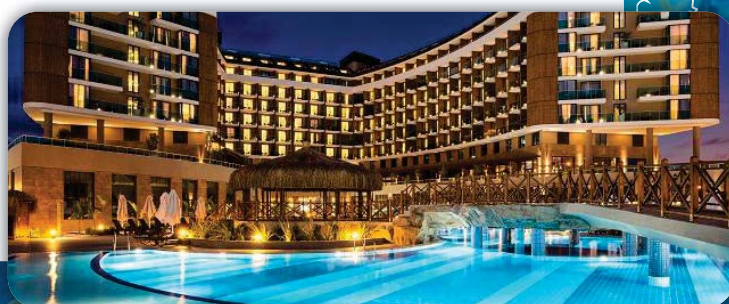
8.4 For security and organizational reasons and in accordance with FIDE tournament regulations all national delegations are obliged to use the official hotel designated by the Organizing Committee. Bookings must be done only through the organizers.

8.5 All players and accompanying persons are obliged to stay in the official hotel with next prices: **All Inclusive (Breakfast, lunch, dinner, open buffet, tea, coffee, water and all soft drinks, cake, pastry etc.) per person per day:**



5***** Aska Lara Hotel:

Room type	Price
Single room	130,00 €
Double room	95,00 €
Triple room	85,00 €



9. PAYMENTS

9.1 After the Registration, accommodation & travel form has been filled in, sent to the organizer, and approved by the organizer, the national federations will receive invoices for bank payments. The invoices will contain all the necessary details for the bank payment.

9.2 50% of total amount hotel payments for all players, officials and accompanying person must be made to the bank account by the registration deadline of **15 October 2025** and the rest 50% should be sent to Bank account before the 1st round and settlement.

9.3 A sender must pay all bank commissions. When payments are confirmed, the Organizing Committee will send to the participating Federation the confirmation of the registration and hotel booking.

10. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

10.1 The Championships will be held according to FIDE tournament Rules and Laws of Chess

10.2 The FIDE Anti-Cheating rules and guidelines are valid for all Championships.

10.3 The games are played using the electronic clocks and boards approved by FIDE.

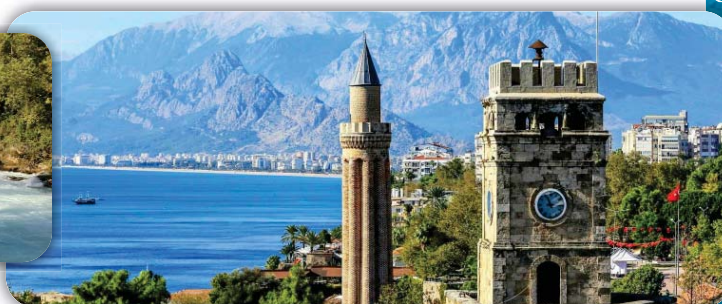
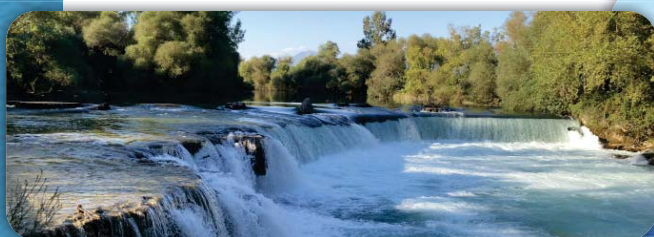
10.3.1 For each tournament a minimum of 9 rounds will be scheduled. Official number rounds will be announced during the technical meeting.

10.3.2 RAPID: 15 minutes + 10 seconds increment per move, starting from move 1.

10.3.3 BLITZ: 3 minutes + 2 seconds increment per move, starting from move 1

10.4 The final ranking order of the players is determined by the number of points scored. In case of a tie, the next tie-break criteria are established:

- * The games between the tied players
- * Buchholz cut1
- * Buchholz
- * The greater number of games with black (unplayed games count as played with white) the greater number of wins.



11. APPEALS PROCEDURE

11.1 A protest against the decisions of the Chief Arbiter must be submitted in written form to the Chairmen of the Appeals Committee within 15 minutes after the competition of the respective game. The protest must be accompanied by the sum of 300 Euros, as a deposit. If the appeal is granted, the sum shall be returned immediately. If the appeal is refused, the deposit is forfeited to FIDE. The appeal has to be lodged by the player. The decisions of the AC are final.

12.PRIZES

12.1 Trophies, Medals, certificates will be awarded to the top 3 players in each category.

12.2 *Special prizes will be given to first 3 players.*

12.3 *Each participant will receive an appropriate certificate of participation.*

12.4 Three best Federations, by ranking of medals collected in all categories, will receive a trophy according to the rules below:

- *For first place the number of gold medals will be taken under consideration,
- *If there is a tie, then the number of silver medals will be taken under consideration
- *If there is still a tie, then the number of bronze medals will be taken under consideration.
- *If there is still a tie, then the total points of medalists will be taken for tiebreak
- *Finally, if this is still equal, then the average performance rating of the medalists from each country will be taken into consideration.

13.CONTACT INFORMATION

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