



REGULATIONS

International Chess Tournament

“President’s Cup of the Republic of Tajikistan”

Dushanbe, November 9–17, 2025

1. Tournament Classification

The tournament is held with the following objectives:

- Strengthening the international sports relations of the Republic of Tajikistan on the global stage;
- Identifying and supporting talented chess players, including children, adolescents, and youth;
- Promoting a positive image of Tajikistan as a country that actively supports intellectual sports;
- Improving the level of organization of sports events in Tajikistan in accordance with FIDE international standards;
- Creating conditions for achieving international chess norms (e.g., International Master or Grandmaster norms);
- Developing tourism and showcasing Tajikistan’s cultural and historical heritage to tournament participants and guests.

2. Hosting Organizations

The overall supervision and organization of the competition are carried out by the Chess Federation of Tajikistan with the support of FIDE and in cooperation with the Committee for Youth and Sports under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan. The direct management of the tournament is entrusted to the Panel of Arbiters.



3. Date and Venue

The tournament will be held in the Dushanbe city at a cozy and comfortable venue — the conference hall of the “Istiqlol” Hotel, from November 9 (arrival day) to November 17 (departure day), 2025.

Day	Event	Time
09.11.2025	Day of arrival	
10.11.2025	Opening ceremony	15:00
10.11.2025	1 round	16:00
11.11.2025	2 round	16:00
12.11.2025	3 round	10:00
12.11.2025	4 round	16:00
13.11.2025	5 round	16:00
14.11.2025	6 round	10:00
14.11.2025	7 round	16:00
15.11.2025	8 round	16:00
16.11.2025	9 round	10:00
16.11.2025	Closing ceremony	17:00
17.11.2025	Departure day	

4. Tournament System

The tournament will be held according to the Swiss system in 9 rounds, in two groups:

- Main Group A – for players with a FIDE rating of 2200 and above;
- Group B – for rated players with a FIDE rating of 2199 and below;

FIDE standard ratings as of November 1, 2025 will be used.

Time control:

90 minutes plus 30 seconds increment per move, starting from the first move.

5. Participants and Tournament Conditions

Free participation is granted to:

- Players holding international titles: GM, IM, WGM, and WIM;

Entry fees for participants from Tajikistan in Group A
(to be paid by November 1):

- Players with a FIDE rating of 2300 and above – 350 TJS
- Players with a FIDE rating of 2200–2299 – 400 TJS

Entry fees for participants from Tajikistan in Group B
(to be paid by November 1):

- Players with a FIDE rating of 1900–2199 – 450 TJS
- Players with a FIDE rating of 1600–1899 – 500 TJS
- Players with a FIDE rating below 1600 – 550 TJS

A 50% discount is provided to senior players aged 60 and above, as well as to participants with disabilities.

- Citizens of Tajikistan must transfer their entry fees in Tajik Somoni to the account specified below:

Account	20202972500000100000	TIN (ИҲН) 510022404
Bank	CJSC "Dushanbe City" Dushanbe, Sohili st.5	IBT (МҶО) 350101841

- **Entry Fees for International Participants in Groups A and B**

(To be paid by November 1): 100 USD

- A 50% discount is granted to senior players aged 60 and above, as well as to participants with disabilities.

Bank account details for international participants:

Nazarzoda Zafar Anvar	Account: 20218840560359900001
TIN (VHH): 015337335	Address: Dushanbe, Bukhoro st, 27
BIC: 350101803	SWIFT: IBTKTJ22XXX
Bank name: CJSC "International bank of Tajikistan"	

6. Determining Winners and Prize Distribution

Winners will be determined based on the total number of points scored. In case of a tie, the following tiebreak criteria will be applied:

- Direct encounter
- Performance rating
- Greater number of wins
- Greater number of wins with Black pieces
- Buchholz
- Cut Buchholz 1, 2, etc.

If players finish with the same number of points, prizes will not be shared, but distributed according to the tiebreak criteria listed above.

If a player wins in two categories, the prizes are not cumulative; only the larger or main prize will be awarded.

Prize money will be transferred to the bank accounts of the winners or paid in cash. Bank fees and tax deductions may be applied.

Prize amounts are listed in US Dollars.

Group "A"

Prize fund: 36 000 USD

Main prizes:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
10 000	8 000	5 000	3 000	2 000	1 000	900	800	700	600	500	400
13	14	15									
300	200	100									

Special prizes:

Place:	1
Women	800
Juniors under 20 years	700
Juniors under 14 years	500
Seniors (60+)	500

Group "B"

Prize fund: 10 000 USD

Main prizes:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1 000	700	600	500	400	350	300	250	200	150	100

Special prizes:

Place:	1	2	3
Women	600	400	300
Juniors under 20 years	600	400	300
Girls under 20 years	400	300	200
Juniors under 14 years	400	300	200
Seniors (60+)	300	200	100
Cadets under 8 years	200	150	100



Winners from Tajikistan will receive their prizes in the national currency (TJS) at the exchange rate of the National Bank of Tajikistan.

7. Accommodation and Transfer Conditions

The Tournament Organizing Committee offers participants and accompanying persons the opportunity to stay at recommended hotels at special rates, and will also provide transfer services to/from Dushanbe International Airport.

Hotels	1 person	2 persons	3 persons	Distance
Asia Grand Hotel 4*	90\$	65\$	40\$	4,4 km
Safo Hotel" 4*	90\$	65\$	40\$	3,5 km
Tajikistan Hotel 4*	55\$	45\$	35\$	1,8 km
Istiqlol Hotel 3*	55\$	45\$	35\$	0 km

Accommodation is arranged at the discretion of the participants. Booking can be made either through the Organizing Committee or independently. In case of independent booking, participants are kindly requested to inform the Organizing Committee in advance of their accommodation address.

Airport Transfers

- Airport – Hotel – Airport (round trip):
- Car (1–3 persons): 20 USD one way
- Minivan (4–6 persons): 35 USD one way

Transfers are provided upon prior request, no later than 5 days before arrival.



Requests for accommodation and transfers should be sent to info@tjchess.tj. Please indicate in the subject line: "Accommodation and Transfer – (Participant's Name and Last Name)"

8. Fair Play Regulations

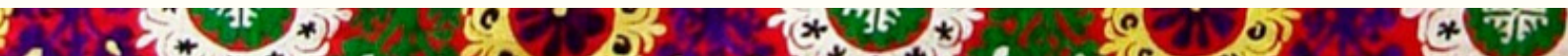
- All participants must comply with and cooperate with fair play rules.
- Players may be disqualified from the tournament at any time at the sole discretion of the Chief Arbiter based on fair play regulations.
- By participating, players agree that they have no right to appeal such actions through arbitration, consultation, or legal proceedings in any jurisdiction.
- Participants also may not appeal pairings made during the tournament.
- By registering for the tournament, players acknowledge that they have no right to financial compensation or reimbursement related to their participation.
- To ensure the smooth conduct of the event, the Organizer reserves the right to adjust the schedule, update the regulations, or make decisions on any matters not covered in this document, with appropriate notice.

9. Visas

- Participants who require a visa to enter Tajikistan must register by October 1, 2025, pay the entry fee in advance, and submit a passport copy. Otherwise, the organizers do not guarantee visa support.
- Organizers will be unable to provide visa assistance if the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Tajikistan does not authorize visa issuance.

10. Dress Code and Health Measures

- Please respect the FIDE dress code (do not appear in shorts, flip-flops, slippers, etc.).
- A participant may be excluded from the tournament in the event of elevated body temperature or other signs of illness.
- Additional rules may be issued if necessary.



11. Financing

- The prize fund, organizational expenses, arbiters' fees, transfer, accommodation, and meals for invited and official guests of the tournament are covered by the Chess Federation of Tajikistan, Fees, and Sponsorship.
- Travel expenses and daily allowances for all other participants and coaches shall be covered by the respective sending organizations.

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