



10th Asian Seniors Chess Championships 2019

8-18 September 2019, Almaty, Kazakhstan

1. Invitation

Kazakhstan Chess Federation have the honor to invite all National Chess Federations to participate in the 10th Asian Seniors Chess Championships for Men over-50 and over-65 years old and for Women over-50, from 8 (arrival) to 18 September (departure), which will be held in Almaty, Kazakhstan.

2. Participation

The Asian Seniors Championship is open to all players, regardless of rating and title, who reach their age of 50 and 65 by 31st December 2019 and represent National Chess Federations (FIDE Zones 3.1 to 3.7.) which are members of FIDE. There is no limit in the number of participants per federation.

3. Registrations

The entries must be submitted by the respective National Chess Federation on the attached registration form to kamilya.a@kazchess.kz to be received not later than 1st August 2019 together with one ID photo and scanned copy of the passport.

Players should be present at the Technical meeting (September 8th, 20.00, «Kazakhstan» hotel).

4. Entry fees and registration fees

Entry fee: Each player has to pay 25 USD as entry fee to Asian Chess Federation.

Registration fee: Each player has to pay 100 USD as registration fee for the event. It includes registration and accreditation. Entry fee and registration fee together with the payment for the hotel booking must be paid simultaneously with the application. The payment must be made by bank transfer.

The registration period ends on 1st August 2019. After 1st August 2019, a late registration fee of 50 USD shall be charged. Deadline for late registration is 9th August 2019. Players whose payment has not been received shall not be paired.

5. Accommodation

As per FIDE regulations, all players, except local players are obliged to be accommodated in the official hotel through the organizer.

Access to playing areas, venues and the hotel will be allowed only to people accredited by the organizer.

The official hotel and venue of the event is the 5-star «Kazakhstan» hotel, 52/2 Dostyk Ave., Almaty.

Hotel Rates

- a) single room:95 USD per person per day, full board included
- b) double room:75 USD per person per day, full board included

6. Tournament System and Rate of Play

The tournament will be played as a 9 round Swiss System. The FIDE Laws of Chess shall apply. Time control for Standard chess is 90 minutes each for the whole game, with 30 seconds increment per move from the first move. Default time is 30 minutes after starting time. Time control for Rapid chess is 15 minutes each plus 10 seconds increment per move. Time control for Blitz chess is 3 minutes each plus 2 seconds increment per move

7. Tie-Break System

The order of the players that finish with the same number of points shall be determined by the application of the following tie-break procedures in sequence, proceeding from (a) to (b) to (c) to (d) and to (e).

- a- Direct Encounter
- b- Bucholz
- c- Bucholz Cut 1
- d- Bucholz Cut 2
- e- Sonnenborn Berger

In case the tie is still not broken, one sudden death blitz game between the top two shall decide.

8. Tournament schedule

The Championship will be held from 8-18 September 2019 as follows:

Date		Time	Event
Sunday	8 September	All day 20:00	Arrival Technical Meeting
Monday	9 September	11:00 12:00	Opening Ceremony Rapid Chess Championship
Tuesday	10 September	15:00	Round 1
Wednesday	11 September	15:00	Round 2
Thursday	12 September	10:00 16:00	Round 3 Round 4
Friday	13 September	15:00	Round 5
Saturday	14 September	10:00 16:00	Round 6 Round 7
Sunday	15 September	15:00	Round 8
Monday	16 September	15:00	Round 9
Tuesday	17 September	10:00 17:00	Blitz Championship Closing Ceremony
Wednesday	18 September	11:00	Departure

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9. Chief Arbiter and Appeals Committee

The Asian Chess Federation President shall appoint the Chief Arbiter and Chairman of Appeals. The Appeals Committee shall consist of three members and two reserves representing five different federations.

10. Appeals

A protest against a decision of an Arbiter must be submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter within 15 minutes after the end of the relevant playing session. In submitting a protest, a protest fee of USD 200.00 (Two Hundred US Dollars) shall be paid to the Appeals Committee, which is refundable if the protest is upheld. The Appeals Committee, however, may decide to refund the fee if it considers that the appeal was not frivolous. The decision of the Appeals Committee shall be final and binding immediately. No Appeals are possible in Rapid and Blitz. The Chief Arbiter's decision is final.

11. Prizes

Top three winners of each category (Standard, Rapid, Blitz) will receive Gold, Silver and Bronze medals and Certificate. A total of \$3,000 for standard chess in this Asian Chess Federation event shall be awarded as follows:

Over 50	Over 65	Best Women
First US\$500 Second US\$400 Third US\$300 Fourth US\$200 Fifth US\$150 Sixth US\$150	First US\$350 Second US\$200 Third US\$150 Fourth US\$100 Fifth US\$100	Over 50 US\$300 Over 65 US\$100

Money prizes are not shared.

12. Direct Titles

Gold medalists (first after tiebreak) in Standard chess open category shall receive a GM norm. 1st equal (first three after tie break) will receive the IM title. Silver and bronze medalists shall receive IM norms and FM titles. For a direct title to be awarded immediately an applicant has to have achieved at some time or other a minimum rating as follows: IM 2200, WIM 2000, FM 2100, WFM 1900.

13. Payments

Requisites: Republican Public Association Kazakhstan Chess Federation BIN 911240001354 Beneficiary Code: 18 Account in USD (for foreign players) KZ62826A1USDD2007147 «ATF Bank » SWIFT ALMNKZKA	Requisites: Republican Public Association Kazakhstan Chess Federation BIN 911240001354 Beneficiary Code: 18 Account in KZT (for Kazakhstan citizens) KZ06826A1KZTD2022470 «ATF Bank » BIK ALMNKZKA PPC 119
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Payments should be made upon registration. Foreign players should settle the full payment (Fees + Hotel) to the organizer.

Players will not be paired until all the payments are made to the organizers.

14. Visa

Those who need visas should apply at the Kazakhstan consulate nearest them. Invitation letters will be issued upon payment of fees before the deadline. To issue an invitation for visa to enter the Kazakhstan participants should send a clear passport copy and provide visa form to the e-mail: raushan.k@kazchess.kz

9.08.2019 is the deadline when invitation for visa could be issued. After the deadline visa invitations are not issued.

15. Airport Transfers

The organizer shall provide participants with airport transfers from Almaty International Airport to the Official Hotel and back. All participants are required to send by 28th August 2019 their flight details of arrivals and departures to the organizer. The organizer shall not be responsible for airport transfers for those who do not send their flight details on time.

16. Other Matters

Any matters not mentioned in the Regulations above shall be decided upon, if necessary, after **consultation with the Asian Chess Federation President.**

17. Contact Information

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