



نادي دبي للشطرنج والثقافة
DUBAI CHESS & CULTURE CLUB

Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Cup
At EXPO 2020 – Dubai Exhibition Centre
5th – 10th December 2021

Dubai Chess & Culture Club (DCCC) is pleased to invite you to **Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Cup**, which will be held at EXPO2020 – Dubai, from **5th – 10th December 2021**.

1. Participants & Registration:

- 1.1. Tournaments will have 24 players only, list to be selected by DCCC.
- 1.2. Registered player should be: Male 2600+, Female 2450+ (Sep 2021).
- 1.3. Application is only accepted via the following [link](#)
- 1.4. **Participation will be confirmed by the organizer by 1st October 2021.**
- 1.5. Last day of Application is **30th September 2021.**
- 1.6. The organizer has the right to accept/decline any registered player.
- 1.7. All participating players and accompany persons accept to fully comply with the rules and regulations of the tournament, the organizer & the United Arab Emirates.

2. Tournament format, Number of Rounds & Time Control:

- 2.1. **Rapid:** 9 Rounds – **Swiss System:** 15 min + 10 sec/move
- 2.2. **Blitz:** 11 Rounds – **Swiss System:** 3 mins + 2 sec/move
- 2.3. **No default time.** No penalty is imposed on a player if he is late for any of his games.

3. Playing Venue:



- 3.1. The tournament will be held in **Dubai Exhibition Centre, at EXPO 2020-Dubai site.**
- 3.2. EXPO 2020 Dubai is a World Expo that's going to be hosted by Dubai in the United Arab Emirates. A World Expo is a mega international event in terms of size, scale, and duration and visitor numbers. [Learn more about EXPO Dubai 2020](#)



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4. Prizes & winners:

4.1. Total prize fund of the tournament is **USD 30,000**

Rapid	Prize (USD)
1 st	6,000
2 nd	5,000
3 rd	4,000
4 th	3,000
5 th	2,000
Best Woman	1,000
Total	21,000

Blitz	Prize (USD)
1 st	2,000
2 nd	1,800
3 rd	1,600
4 th	1,400
5 th	1,200
Best Woman	1,000
Total	9,000

4.2. Prizes will be awarded based on Tie-Break and will not be shared.

4.3. Winners of the Tournaments **must be present** at the closing ceremony.

4.4. Absent Winners Prizes will be cancelled.

4.5. Players are obliged to follow the dress code of business casual / elegant casual or smart casual during the games and the opening/closing ceremonies. **No shorts, sports shoes, sneakers, slippers, hats or caps.**

5. Tie Break

1. Direct encounter.
2. Buchholz (cut-1).
3. Buchholz.
4. Number of games won the black pieces.
5. Great Number of victories.

6. Travel and Accommodation:

6.1. It is advised to arrive/depart from Dubai International Airports (DXB – DWC), to avoid any quarantine obligations in other cities.

6.2. Players will be paid USD 500 for their air ticket

6.3. The official Hotel of the tournament to be announced later.

6.4. Invited players will get single room with 3 meals.

6.5. Transportation will be provided from/to DXB/DWC Airports ONLY.

6.6. Transportation will be provided to/from the playing venue.

6.7. Arrivals and Departures:

6.7.1. Expected Arrival on **5th December 2021** after 14:00.

6.7.2. Expected Departure on **10th December 2021** before 12:00 Noon.

6.7.3. Early Arrivals or Late Departure Charges to be borne by the player.

6.7.4. Room type change from Single to Double Charges to be borne by the player.



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7. Visa:

- 7.1. Dubai Chess & Culture Club will apply for visa of participants and shall bear all the expenses.
- 7.2. Processing visa for an accompanying person will be USD 100.
- 7.3. Additional charges for special requests will be sent directly to the applicant.
- 7.4. For Visa inquiries, please contact **Mr. Moheb Serag** (moheb@dubaichess.ae).

8. Schedule:

Day	Date	Event	Time
Sunday	5 th Dec	Arrival & Confirmation of Registration	All Day
Monday	6 th Dec	Opening Ceremony Rapid Day 1 - Rounds 1 – 3	18:00
Tuesday	7 th Dec	Rapid Day 2 - Rounds 4 – 6	11:00
Wednesday	8 th Dec	Rapid Day 3 – Rounds 7 - 9	11:00
Thursday	9 th Dec	Blitz – Rounds 1 – 11 Closing Ceremony	14:00 20:00
Friday	10 th Dec	Departure for all invited players	12:00

9. Precautionary Measures

- 9.1. All participants should adhere to Dubai Health Authority guideline in covid19 prevention. Kindly check the following [link](#)
- 9.2. All event's participants must present a Vaccination Certificate. Approved vaccines in the UAE are Sinopharm, Pfizer-BioNTech, Sputnik-V, Moderna and Oxford-AstraZeneca.
- 9.3. If at any time during the tournament, a player is found to be tested positive on PCR-Checks, he shall be withdrawn from the tournament and moved to quarantine, and shall comply with all regulations from local authorities.

10. Force Majeure

- 10.1. if force majeure supervenes which makes the performance of the event impossible, the corresponding obligation shall cease, and the event shall be automatically canceled.

11. Other:

For other queries, please contact us at moheb@dubaichess.ae.