



FUJAIRAH GLOBAL
Chess Championship

1ST FUJAIRAH GLOBAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP



24TH AUGUST - 03RD SEPTEMBER 2025
USD 125,000 PRIZE FUND



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Fujairah Chess & Culture Club is pleased to invite you to participate in the 1st Fujairah Global Chess Championship, which will be held in FUJAIRAH-UAE from 24th August - 3rd September 2025.

Participants & Registration:

1.1. The tournament is open to all FIDE players in the following categories:

1.1.1 Superstars Tournament: (All players with conditions - hotel & compensation for an air ticket) FIDE rated 2600 & higher.

1.1.2 Masters Tournament: FIDE rated 2200-2599.

1.1.3 Youth-Open Tournament: FIDE players rated below 2200 regardless to age. Considered ratings are the FIDE Standard Rating List for August 2025.

1.2. Registration is only accepted online via the following Link:

<https://form.jotform.com/FCCC/1st-fujairah-global-chess-champion>

1.3. Maximum number of players:

1.3.1 Superstars Tournament 50 players.

1.3.2 Masters Tournament 150 players.

1.3.3 Youth-Open Tournament 400 players.

1.4. The last day of registration is **31st July 2025**.

1.4.1 Late Registration fees will be applied after this date.

1.4.2 in case player rating does not meet tournament regulations for **FIDE standard rating list for August 2025**, Conditions and tournament category will be changed to match the player rating according to the tournament regulation.

1.4.3 Unpaid application will be rejected automatically.

1.5. All participating players and accompanying persons agree to fully comply with the rules and regulations of the tournament organizer & the United Arab Emirates.

1.6. The organizing committee reserves the right to accept or deny a participant's registration according to FIDE Rules and regulations and UAE Laws.

1.7. The organizing Committee reserves the right to issue special approvals to include lower-rated players in the master's tournament only.



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Number of Rounds & Time Control:

- 2.1. 9 Rounds** Swiss System.
- 2.2. Time Control:** 90 minutes + 30 seconds increment per move for the whole game.
- 2.3. Default Time:** 30-minutes.
- 2.4. Draw Offer:** Players cannot offer or agree to a draw before 30 moves are played on the board by both players.

Playing Venue:

- 3.1 The Tournament venue will be Fujairah Chess & Culture Club - New Building.**



Entry & Related Fees:

- 4.1. Based on FIDE Standard rating & title as of 1st August 2025.**

Superstars Tournament
All players are Exempted
Masters Tournament
125 USD (All GM / WGM / IM / WIM Exempted)
Youth-Open Tournament
75 USD (All GM / WGM / IM / WIM Exempted)

- 4.2.** Online ratings/titles are not included in the above table.
- 4.3.** The entry fees cover solely tournament participation.
- 4.4.** An additional fee is required for arranging an entry visa requested via Fujairah Chess & Culture Club.
- 4.5. Visa Charges:**

Processing Visa Fee for all players (except invited)	USD 100
Processing Visa Fee of an Accompanying Person	USD 125

- 4.6.** Late Registration Fees is USD 50.
- 4.7.** Registration and Visa fees are non-refundable.

Prizes

5.1. The total prize fund of the tournament is **USD 125,000**.

POSITION	SUPERSTARS (80,000\$)	MASTERS (30,000\$)	YOUTH_OPEN (15,000\$)
1 st	23,000	5,000	3,000
2 nd	13,000	4,000	2,000
3 rd	9,000	3,500	1,400
4 th	8,000	3,000	1,200
5 th	7,000	2,500	1,000
6 th	6,000	2,000	800
7 th	5,000	1,500	-
8 th	4,000	1,300	-
9 th	3,000	1,200	-
10 th	2,000	1,200	-

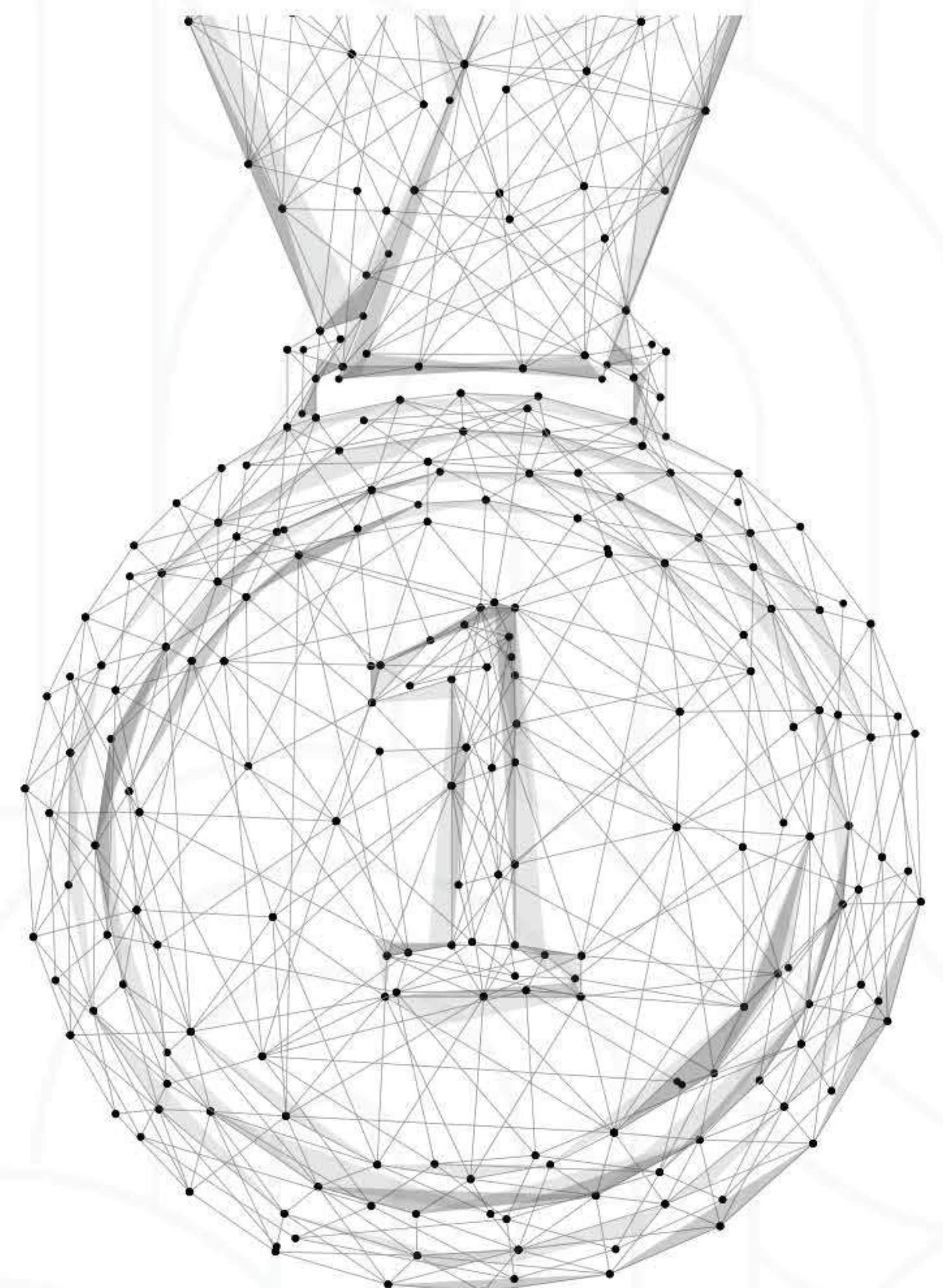
SPECIAL PRICES (MASTERS)

Best Female Player		Best Arab Player		Rating Prizes	
1 st	1,000	1 st	700	Rating 2400-2499	500
2 nd	600	2 nd	500	Rating 2300-2399	500
3 rd	500			Rating 2200-2299	500

SPECIAL PRICES (YOUTH_OPEN)

Best Male Player		Best Female Player	
Best - U18	400	Best - U18	400
Best - U16	350	Best - U16	350
Best - U14	300	Best - U14	300
Best - U12	250	Best - U12	250
Best - U10	250	Best - U10	250
Best - U08	250	Best - U08	250

Best FCCC Male Player	500
Best FCCC Female Player	500
Best UAE-Male Player	500
Best UAE-Female Player	500





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5.2. Main Prizes will be awarded based on Hort-System for the given number of places only.

5.3. Special Prizes will be awarded based on tie-breaks and will not be shared.

5.4. A player may not receive more than one prize. In cases where a participant qualifies for different awards, the prize with the higher monetary value will be awarded, and any remaining prize will be given to the next-ranked player.

5.5. Winners of the Tournament must be present at the closing ceremony.

5.6. Absent Winners' Prizes will be canceled.

5.7. Prize winners must adhere to a business casual, elegant casual, or smart casual dress code. Shorts and slippers are not allowed.

5.8. Tie Breaks

5.8.1 Tie Breaks for SUPERSTARS and MASTERS tournaments

- 1.Average Rating of Opponents Cut 1 (AROC 1).
- 2.Direct encounter.
- 3.Buchholz Cut 1.
- 4.Median Buchholz.

5.8.2 Tie Breaks for Youth-Open Tournament.

- 1.Buchholz Cut 1.
- 2.Direct encounter.
- 3.Median Buchholz.
- 4.Greater number of wins played by Black.

Hotel Accommodation:

6.1. The official hotels will be decided later.



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Hosting Condition:

- 7.1.** Grandmasters with a standard Elo of **2700+** are eligible to get **free single room accommodation with full board and \$1000 compensation for an air ticket.** subject to FIDE rating list of August 2025, and approval.
- 7.2.** Grandmasters with a standard Elo of **2650+** are eligible to get **free single room accommodation with full board and \$700 compensation for an air ticket.** subject to FIDE rating list of August 2025, and approval.
- 7.3.** Grandmasters with a standard Elo of **2600+** are eligible to get **free single room accommodation with full board and \$500 compensation for an air ticket.** subject to FIDE rating list of August 2025, and approval.
- 7.4.** **15 Grandmasters + 5 Female players (of masters tournament)** will be invited and may apply for **free single room accommodation with full board & \$500 compensation for an air ticket.** by submitting the condition form. subject to the FIDE rating list 1st of August 2025, and approval.
- 7.5.** The last day for accepting Accommodation & compensation for Air Ticket Condition applicants is **25th July 2025.**
- 7.6.** Applying for accommodation does not automatically make the player eligible to get a condition.
- 7.7.** If a participant's application for accommodation is accepted, the organizer will contact the player directly with an official form to be signed and returned as instructed through the email.

Invited Players (Arrival/Departure)

- Expected Arrival on 24th August 2025 after 14:00 (Early Arrivals Charges to be borne by player)
- Expected Departure on 03th September 2025 before 12:00 Noon (Late Departure Charges to be borne by player)



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Visa:

- 8.1. Please check the requirements for the visa via the following [link](#).
- 8.2. Visa rules are subject to change. Kindly confirm with your airline before booking.
- 8.3. Players / accompanying persons who require a visa are requested to upload and attach a clearly scanned colored copy of their passports and **clearly scanned colored personal photo** (both in JPEG Format) in the online application form.
- 8.4. Entry visas to the UAE are issued for eligible participants **subject to the approval** of the **General Directorate of Residency & Foreigners Affairs – Dubai** and will be valid for 30 days from the date of arrival.
- 8.5. All Visa application fees are non-refundable.

Transportation:

- 9.1. Transportation will be provided for free to all invited players only.
- 9.2. Transportation will be provided from the airports specified below only:

9.2.1 Fujairah International Airport:



Operated by two international airlines ( **SalamAir** and  **EGYPTAIR**).
From Fujairah to Muscat or Gairo and onward to amazing destinations.

9.2.2 Sharjah International Airport



9.2.3 Dubai International Airport - (Terminals, 1, 2 and 3).



- 9.3. For other participants it can be provided subject to certain charges.

9.4. **Free Transportation for ALL PLAYERS from Abu Dhabi Chess Club & Mind Games to FUJAIRAH by buses.**





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10) Schedule:

Day	Date	Event	Time
Sunday	24 th August	Arrival	All Day
Monday	25 th August	Technical Meeting Opening Ceremony & Round 1	11:00 17:00
Tuesday	26 th August	Round 2	17:00
Wednesday	27 th August	Round 3	17:00
Thursday	28 th August	Round 4	17:00
Friday	29 th August	Round 5	17:00
Saturday	30 th August	Round 6	17:00
Sunday	31 th August	Round 7	17:00
Monday	1 st September	Round 8	17:00
Tuesday	2 nd September	Round 9 Closing Ceremony	10:00 19:00
Wednesday	3 rd September	Departure	All Day



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Additional Rules:

- 11.1.** All players are expected to adhere to the dress code at all times during the event. This includes the playing hall and awards ceremony. Participants who do not comply with the dress code regulations may face penalties from the organizing committee.
- 11.2.** Smoking is forbidden in the playing hall.
- 11.3.** After each game, players must submit the original scoresheets, signed by both players, to the arbiter.
- 11.4.** Players who have finished their games shall be considered as spectators and are not allowed to stay in the playing area.
- 11.5.** Players are asked not to bring mobile phones or any other electronic devices (even switched off) into the playing hall. Bringing any device to the playing hall will result in a forfeit.
- 11.6.** The arbiter may require the player to allow his clothes, bags, or other items to be inspected, in private. The arbiter or a person authorized by the arbiter for inspection shall be of the same gender as the player. If a player refuses to cooperate with these obligations, the arbiter shall take measures following Article 12.9. of the Laws of Chess.
- 11.7.** Random checks of players may be carried out before and after every game.
- 11.8.** Fair Play measures will be taken according to the FIDE Anti cheating regulations.
- 11.9.** The players shall take no action that will bring the game of chess into disrepute.
- 11.10.** Players are obliged to obey Tournament Regulations.
- 11.11.** Pictures may be only taken with flash during the first ten minutes of the rounds. After that, only Media representatives holding an accreditation are allowed to film or photograph in the playing hall.
- 11.12.** Only players and arbiters shall be allowed in the actual playing area. Exceptions may only be granted by the Tournament Organizer and Chief Arbiter.

Other:

For more information, please contact us at fujairah.global.2025@gmail.com