



**International chess tournament among boys and girls
under 8, 10 and years old**

June 15-19, 2025

Ashgabat, TURKMENISTAN



REGULATIONS

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The State Committee for Physical Culture and Sports of Turkmenistan and the Chess Federation of Turkmenistan invite players from the countries participating in the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) and other interested countries to participate in the international chess tournament in rapid and blitz among boys and girls Under 8, 10 and 12 years old, which will be held from June 15 to 19, 2025.

I. Aims and Objectives of the Tournament

- Strengthening international sports cooperation;
- Increasing the popularity of chess among children.

II. Venue and Dates of the Tournament

The tournament will be held during June 15-19, 2025 at the Specialized Chess and Checkers School of the Main Department of Physical Culture and Sports of Ashgabat City.

III. Tournament Schedule

The tournament will be held in accordance with the rules and regulations of the International Chess Federation (FIDE) and international rating will be calculated.

The tournament will consist of 2 stages:

1. **Rapid:** each player is given 15 minutes with an increment of 10 seconds per move starting from move one;
2. **Blitz:** each player is given 3 minutes with an increment of 2 seconds per move starting from move one.

Both stages of the tournament will be played using the Swiss System with 9 rounds.

The player who has accumulated the most points in the tournament will be considered the winner. In case of an equal number of points, the winner will be determined using additional indicators:

- Buchholz Cut 1;
- Direct encounter;
- Number of wins;
- Number of wins with black;
- Tie-break.

IV. Tournament Participants

The tournament will consist of 6 categories:

1. Boys under 8 years old (born in 2017 and younger);
2. Girls under 8 years old (born in 2017 and younger);
3. Boys under 10 years old (born in 2015 and younger);
4. Girls under 10 years old (born in 2015 and younger);
5. Boys under 12 years old (born in 2013 and younger);
6. Girls under 12 years old (born in 2013 and younger).

Girls are allowed to play in the Boys (Open) categories.

V. Registration

Players' registration will be opened **until April 20, 2025**. To register, all those wishing to participate in the tournament must complete the registration form.

VI. Financing

Participants and teams (6 athletes, 1 coach and 1 representative) from the CIS participating countries and those with special invitations from the organizers will be provided with **free full board and accommodation**.

For specially invited participants all transportation expenses within Turkmenistan, including domestic flights, will be covered by the organizers. Airport transfer in Ashgabat will be provided free of charge by the organizers for all participants.

During the tournament, it is planned to organize trips to the ancient historical and cultural monuments of the country, the sights of the capital city, Ashgabat, and Arkadag city.

Hotel prices for additional participating groups:

- Single room per day: 70 USD;
- Double room per day: 85 USD;

- Triple room per day: 100 USD.

Note: Registration and entry fees are not charged for all participants.

VII. Tournament calendar

Name of event	Starting time	Date
Arrival day	After 12:00	15.06.2025
Opening ceremony	09:00	16.06.2025
Rapid I-II rounds	11:00	16.06.2025
Rapid III-VI rounds	15:00	16.06.2025
Rapid VII-IX rounds	10:00	17.06.2025
City tour	15:00	17.06.2025
Blitz I-IX rounds	10:00	18.06.2025
Closing ceremony	20:00	18.06.2025
Departure		19.06.2025

VIII. Awards

Players who will take 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in the tournament will be awarded with certificates, medals, and valuable gifts.

IX. Visa information

All those who apply for participation in the tournament (players, coaches, representatives, and accompanying persons) no later than the registration deadline will be provided with **free visa support** by the organizers.

X. Contact information

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