

FIDE WORLD SENIOR TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS
KRAKOW, POLAND
1– 12 JULY 2024

INVITATION

FIDE, the Polish Chess Federation and Malopolska Chess Association invite all FIDE member federations and eligible teams to participate in the FIDE World Senior Team Chess Championship (50+ 65+), which is to be held in Krakow- Poland, from 01.07.2024 arrival day till 12.07.2024 departure day.



Main Market Square in Krakow



Wawel Hill



Qubus**** Hotel Krakow



Hotel Galaxy**** in Krakow



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SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	HOURS	Activity
Monday	1.07.2024		Arrival Day
Monday	1.07.2024	19:00	Opening Ceremony
Tuesday	2.07.2024	10:00	Technical Meeting
Tuesday	2.07.2024	15:00	Round 1
Wednesday	3.07.2024	15:00	Round 2
Thursday	4.07.2024	15:00	Round 3
Friday	5.07.2024	15:00	Round 4
Saturday	6.07.2024	15:00	Round 5
Sunday	7.07.2024	15:00	Round 6
Monday	8.07.2024		Rest day - excursion to the Royal Castle WAWEL and Main Market Square. Excursion to Auschwitz or the Wieliczka Salt Mine ^{*)}
Tuesday	9.07.2024	15:00	Round 7
Wednesday	10.07.2024	15:00	Round 8
Thursday	11.07.2024	10:00	Round 9
Thursday	11.07.2024	19:00	Closing Ceremony
Friday	12.07.2024		Departure

*) pay extra - details will be announced later on official web site

PARTICIPATION

- ✓ There shall be two categories; Open age 50+ and Open age 65+ with separate events for women.
- ✓ The player must have reached or reach the required age during the year of competition.
- ✓ There shall be separate Women's Championship(s) if there are at least ten teams from at least two continents. Otherwise women's teams play in Open competition
- ✓ The Championships are open tournaments for teams registered by their federation. FIDE member federations shall have the right to send as many teams as they wish.
- ✓ Title:
 - The winning team obtains the title "World Team Champion "age 50+ (or age 65+)".
 - The best placed women team obtains the title "World Women Team Champion" age 50+ (or age 65+).
- ✓ Financial Regulations:
 - The Organizing Committee is to provide free board and lodging (2 double rooms and one single room with bath and/or shower per team) for the defending champions.

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SCHEDULE AND SYSTEM / TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

- ✓ The Championships will be held according to FIDE tournament Rules and Laws of Chess.
- ✓ The FIDE Anti-Cheating rules and guidelines are valid for all Championships.
- ✓ Upon arrival or any time during the event, captains or players may be required to present passports for verification of player's age eligibility.
- ✓ There shall be a minimum of 9 rounds Swiss System for teams with 5 players (4 boards + 1 optional reserve).
- ✓ Time: 90 minutes/40 moves + 30 minutes for the rest of the game + 30 sec for each move from the first move.
- ✓ Each team shall consist of four players, and in addition one reserve player may be nominated. The substitute is only allowed to play board 4.
- ✓ Default time at the start of all 9 rounds is 30 minutes.
- ✓ A provisional naming of the players and the substitute has to be submitted together with the registration of the team. Changes in the team can be made until the technical meeting take place.
- ✓ The FIDE Officials (Chief Arbiter, Deputy Arbiter, Appeals Committee, Fair Play Officer and FIDE Technical Delegate) will be appointed later.
- ✓ The final ranking order of the teams is determined by the number of match points scored. Number of match points for win= 2 points, for draw=1 point and for lost game =0 point. In case of tie, the next tie break criteria are established:
 1. Number of game points (score)
 2. Mutual game
 3. Buchholz Cut 1
 4. Buchholz
 5. Sonneborn –Berger
- ✓ The board prizes are awarded for the best performance rating of players. Eligible for the individual performance awards are players who have played in at least 70% of the rounds (for basic players) or 50% of the rounds (for reserve players). The highest performance rating wins. In case of a tie, it shall be broken in order of priority by:
 1. the result(s) of their direct encounter (if all played each other),
 2. number of games (the highest number wins),
 3. percentage score (the highest number wins),
 4. final ranking of a team (the player in the highest ranked team wins).

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REGISTRATION

- ✓ The deadline for the registration is **May 10, 2024**.
- ✓ In order to ensure proper tournament standards, **FIDE member federations** must **fully complete** the official registration, accommodation & travel form and send it back to the contact person (worldseniorteam@fide.com) before the registration deadline **May 10, 2024**. **Incomplete registrations** will not be accepted. **Individual applications** will not be accepted also.
- ✓ The **registration fee** is 120 EUR (Euros) for each player and each accompanying official/person. The registration fee is compulsory and represents a confirmation of participation. The Registration fee includes transportation from and to Balice Krakow Airport (on the day of arrivals and departures), accreditation, chess event gadgets, coffee/tea/mineral water during rounds, excursion to the Royal Castle WAWEL and Main Market Square on a rest day (2 hours) and other organization costs.
- ✓ **The payment deadline is May 10, 2024** (per registered person: 120 EUR registration fee + 200 EUR advance payment for accommodation, total 320 EUR).
- ✓ All entries shall be confirmed by the Tournament Director and rooms will be booked after a deposit payment, free of bank charges.
- ✓ The amount of 320 EUR must be transferred (free of bank charge) to the following Bank Account:
Malopolski Związek Szachowy
Bank Powszechna Kasa Oszczedności
IBAN PL 61 1020 2892 0000 5002 0429 6554
BIC/SWIFT CODE BPKOPLPW
- ✓ The remaining balance should be pay upon arrival before the first round directly in play venue at the competition office, payment could be done by bank transfer or in cash in Euro or Polish zloty.
- ✓ After the registration deadline, organizers reserve the right to refuse late registrations.

FIDE FEE

- ✓ In accordance with FIDE regulations, there is no entry fee.

VISA INFORMATION

- ✓ List of countries that do not require a visa to Poland
<https://www.gov.pl/web/visa-free-countries>
- ✓ Visit the following website to learn more about visas
<https://www.gov.pl/web/visas---general-information>
- ✓ Those who need visas, please contact the organizers the latest on 10 of May 2024. We will be happy to provide assistance, invitation letter and/or guide you through the process of obtaining the visa.

TRAVEL FROM AIRPORTS TO THE HOTEL

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- ✓ The organizer will provide all participants with transportation on July 1, 2024 and departure transfer on July 12, 2024 ((Balice Kraków Airport - Hotel - Balice Kraków Airport). If any delegation arrives a day or two before the competition or leaves later, the same service will be provided for an additional fee (50 EUR per way - max 3 people).
- ✓ Travel from/to the airport in Katowice/Pyrzowice is charged 70 EUR per way - max. 3 persons.
- ✓ Players who make private transport arrangements and clearly indicate this in the registration form will be fully responsible for any problems they experience during arrival or departure.

ACCOMODATION PACKAGES

- ✓ Reservation will be made on priority basis, "first come, first served". Limited number of places. Playing venue is in Hotel Galaxy***** in Krakow.
- ✓ Hotel reservation deadline is **May10, 2024**.
- ✓ Payment deadline for hotels is **May 10, 2024**.
- ✓ For security and organizational reasons and in accordance with FIDE tournament regulations all national delegations are obliged to use the official hotel designated by the Organizing Committee. Bookings must be done only through the organizer of the World Senior Team Chess Championships.

We invite all players and guests to stay at the Galaxy Hotel***** in Krakow (st. Gęsia 22A) or the Qubus Hotel***** in Krakow (st. Nadwiślańska 6) with the following prices:

Hotel Galaxy*** in Krakow** - full board (breakfast, lunch and dinner) per person per day:

Standard rooms		Business rooms	
Double room	90 EUR	Double room	100 EUR
Single Room	119 EUR	Single Room	130 EUR

Qubus Hotel*** in Krakow** for per person per day:

	Full board (breakfast, lunch in Qubus and dinner in Galaxy Hotel***** in Krakow)	Half board (breakfast, lunch)
Double room	85 EUR	75 EUR
Single Room	115 EUR	105 EUR

- ✓ Qubus Hotel is on walking distance of 15 minutes from the playing venue. Organized transport will be provided free of charge.
- ✓ In some cases, the organizer may make special arrangements and discounts.

PAYMENTS

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- ✓ After the registration, accommodation and travel form has been completed, sent to the organizer and **approved by the organizer**, the national federations/ leading club will receive **invoices for bank payments**. The invoices will contain all the necessary details for the bank payment.
- ✓ The payment deadline for registrations and accommodations is **May 10, 2024**
- ✓ A sender must pay all bank commissions. When payments are confirmed, the Organizing Committee will send to the participating Federation the confirmation of the hotel reservations.

APPEALS PROCEDURE

A protest against the decisions of the Chief Arbiter must be submitted in written form to the Chairmen of the appeals Committee within 1 hour after the competition of the respective game. The protest must be accompanied with the sum of 200 Euros, as a deposit. If the appeal is granted, the sum shall be returned immediately. If the appeal is refused, the deposit is forfeited to FIDE. The appeal has to be lodged by the player. The decisions of the AC are final.

PRIZES

Prize Fund (**10,000 EUR**):

Cups for the winners in all categories.

Medals for the Places 1-3 in all categories and individual by boards.

MONEY PRIZES:

Open Senior 50+

1° € 1.200 - trophy and Gold medals

2° € 1.000 - Silver medals

3° € 800 - Bronze medals

4° € 600

5° € 400

6° € 300

Women 50+

1° € 400 - trophy and Gold medals

2° € 200 - Silver medals

3° € 100 - Bronze medals

Open Senior 65+

1° € 1.200 - trophy and Gold medals

2° € 1.000 - Silver medals

3° € 800 - Bronze medals

4° € 600

5° € 400

6° € 300

Women 65+

1° € 400 - trophy and Gold medals

2° € 200 - Silver medals

3° € 100 - Bronze medals

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ELECTRICITY

In Poland, the voltage is 230 V / 50 Hz, and the most common electrical sockets plug are type E.

WEATHER CONDITIONS IN JULY

The average temperature is between **15°C (59°F)** and **25°C (77°F)** but some days may reach **30°C (92°F)**.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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