

## Japan Open 2019 Regulations

1. **Dates/Venue:** November 1-4 / Shinagawa Ward General Kumin Hall “Kyurian” (Across from JR Oimachi Station) 6F. “Dai-Kaigishitsu”
2. **Time Control:** 7R swiss. 90min+30sec/move, (FIDE rated).
3. **Entry fee:** 8000yen, U23 - 6000yen, U18 – 4000yen.
4. **Entry Criteria:** NCS members (yearly or 1-time tournament members).
5. **Membership Fee:** Adults - 6300yen, U18 - 3200yen, U15 - 2200yen (1-time tournament membership fee: 2000yen, U18 -1000yen. This membership does not count towards the selection of official players of international tournaments nor the qualification for Japan Chess Championship).
6. **Registration :** “registration@japanchess.org”  
**Registration Deadline:** October 29 8:00pm.  
**Payment Deadline:** October 30 12:00.
7. **Playing Schedule:**

Date		Time	Tournament
Nov. 1st	Fri.	15:00	Venue opens
		15:40	Pairings
		16:00	Round 1
Nov. 2nd	Sat.	9:00	Venue opens
		10:00	Round 2
		15:00	Round 3
Nov. 3rd	Sun.	9:00	Venue opens
		10:00	Round 4
		15:00	Round 5
Nov. 4th	Mon.	9:00	Venue opens
		9:15	Round 6
		14:00	Round 7

Closing ceremony after the last round is finished.

8. **Default time is 30min.** from the start of each game.  
If any player is not present within half an hour after the game started, he/she shall lose the game by default. The game is not rated.
9. **Prizes and plaques:** **Plaque for top 5 players.** 1st prize: 20000yen, 2nd prize: 15000yen, 3rd prize: 10000yen, 4th prize: 5000yen 5<sup>th</sup> prize: 5000yen  
Plaque for top 4 players in U1600  
Tie-breaks will be used to determine winners. No two players will share the prize.

10. (1) **The top 5 players** will qualify for Japan Chess Championship 2020.  
(2) **The top female player (after top 5 players)** will also qualify for Japan Chess Championship 2020.  
(3) **Top 2 players and top 2 female players** will be selected as official players for 2020 Chess Olympiad (refer to “2020 Chess Olympiad Players Selection Criteria” on the website)
11. **Tie-breaks:** 1. Direct encounter, 2. Buchholz Cut-1, 3. Buchholz, 4. Sonneborn-Berger, 5. Sum of the rating of the opponents, 6. Draw.
12. **Pre-registered byes:** 0.5 point bye requests will be accepted before round 1 begins. 0 points are given for the last round. If a player has more than 2 pre-requested byes, the player will not qualify for prizes nor qualify for Japan Chess Championship. Pairing-allocated bye will be 1 point.
13. **Players must record all the moves** made by both players until the end. When the game is finished, check the results, sign the score sheets and report the result to the arbiter.
14. **All electronic devices have to be turned off and stored away.** Not to be touched or carried out of the playing room during the game. If a player is found with a mobile device during his/her game, the player loses the game.
15. **Spectators are allowed to take photos for the first 10 min.** of each game, including the use of a mobile but after 10minutes, all mobiles have to be put away by the spectators and they are not allowed to use them in the playing room.
16. **This is a FIDE and NCS rated tournament.** The pairings will be done according to the FIDE rating. If there are 2 players with the same rating, the NCS rating and the alphabetical order of the players will be used.
17. **The tournament will follow FIDE rules** unless otherwise stated above.  
(1st illegal move – 2 extra minutes are given to the opponent. 2nd illegal move – loss of the game. Etc.)
18. The organizer will provide chess equipment including clocks.
19. The organizer reserves the right for changing the above conditions in case of reasonable cases before the first round begins. And please be advised that photographs will be taken at the event for use on the japanchess.org website and in the press, and other publications. By entering this event, you consent to the National Chess Society of Japan photographing and using your image and likeness.

**Parings and results** will be on [chess-results.com](http://chess-results.com).

