



## **Hail To Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina International Online Chess Tournament**

**Organised By: South Asian Chess Council**

**Sponsored By : Canadian University, Bangladesh**

**Associated By: Golden Sporting Club**

**Invitational Online Championship**

**25-26 September 2020 atChess.com**

### **1. Invitation**

The South Asian Chess Council (SACC) has the honor to invite you to participate in the Hail to Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina Invitational Online Chess Championship, 25 and 26 September 2020 in Chess.com.

### **2. Participation**

- 2.1 The SACCOonline Chess Championship is by invitation only.
- 2.2 By competing in the event, each participant agrees that his/her real (as in FIDE rating list) name will be shown in his/her personal Chess.com card. The SACC has the right to publish in the starting lists the real names of the participants and the nicknames they use in Chess.com platform for participation in the championship
- 2.3 By registering, each player agrees to abide by the Regulations of the championship, including the anti-cheating rules specified herein.

### **3. Registration**

- 3.1 Registration Deadline is 22 September 2020.
- 3.2 The complete registration form must include the surname/first name as in FIDE list, FIDE ID number, FIDE Rapid rating, sex and title and ID photo. It must also include the Chess.com handle, telephone and email of players.

### **4. Tournament System**

- 4.1 All registered players should register their real name and ID photo in their Chess.com profile. Players should join the Chess.com SACCClubs for their tournament. Players should log in to Zoom with their real names 30 minutes to 1 hour before the start of the first round.
- 4.2 Chess.com Profile Requirements: It is important for you to set up your Chess.com profile in the right way, to aid with the broadcasting of the event and for Fair Play reasons. Go to <https://www.chess.com/settings>. Set your first name and last name to your real first and last name For the country setting, please choose the country per your FIDE ID.
- 4.3 Zoom Requirements: Once you enter the Zoom call, please be sure to open the chat box. The icon is located on the middle of the Zoom toolbar, represented by the speech bubble icon. Next, activate your screen share. Please be sure to share your entire screen, not just the browser. We should be able to see your taskbar that shows which programs are open. We may also ask to see your computer's Task Manager for confirmation. Once all this is done, Zoom is ready and you shouldn't need to interact with it aside from an occasional message from Staff

between games to indicate start times. Please remain in Zoom audio at all times. We will force mute everyone during play.

- 4.4 Regarding Chess.com: the main point of managing our settings is to reduce outside distractions such as chats, friend requests, and random challenges. To do this, go into the main Live Chess page: [www.chess.com/live](http://www.chess.com/live) and click the wheel icon on the top right of the board. This will open your Settings. Then click the Alerts menu, and turn everything off, including "Game Chat". Then, click into the Play menu and turn "Allow Challenges" to Nobody. Click save and you're all set. Don't forget to click save!
- 4.5 Players may go to toilet between rounds and should be ready for the next round, return to their seats in the same camera angles and wait for the Arbiter to start the round. Each round shall start around 2 minutes after posting of pairings on [chess-results.com](http://chess-results.com). Please do not play unofficial games in between rounds during the tournament.

## 5. Rate of Play and Tie Break

- 5.1 The tournament will be 9-round Swiss System event.
- 5.2 Time control is 15 minutes each with an increment of 5 seconds per move from move 1.
- 5.3 Pairings will be made by Swiss Manager. The top seed shall receive White in the first round. All players should login to **chess.com/live** and complete the tournament.
- 5.4 Wins count as 1 point, draw as half point and zero for a loss. Chess.com shall score each game. Disconnection by the player shall count as a loss. As long as the player reconnects before the beginning of the next round and does not leave the site or explicitly log out, he will be paired in the next round.
- 5.5 The following tie breaks shall apply in sequence.
  - a. Direct Encounter
  - b. Buchholz Cut 1
  - c. Buchholz
  - d. AROC
  - e. The greater number of wins including forfeits
  - f. The greater number of games with Black (unplayed games shall be counted as played with White)
  - g. Sonnenborn-Berger

### 5.6 Draws by the server

The 50-move rule is automatically awarded as a draw by the server, as is a threefold repetition. Neither of these will need to be claimed by the player. The following positions are automatically considered a draw by the server:

- a. K+N vs K+N,
- b. K+N vs. K+B,
- c. K+N vs. K,
- d. K+N+N vs. K,
- e. K+B vs. K,
- f. K+B vs. K+B.

### 5.7 Server failure/downtime:

In the event of a server failure or malfunction during the course of the tournament, SACC and Chess.com will take appropriate action accordingly.

In case that the tournament gets interrupted with 6 or fewer completed rounds, the tournament will be rescheduled from 1st round within 24 hours. If the tournament has completed 7 or more rounds, the final standing will remain, and the tournament will not be rescheduled

### 5.8 Defaulting time

The tournament starts at the specific time and progresses through a series of rounds. This means that each player has to be registered for the tournament and online one hour before the starting time.

## **6. Fair Play - Disclaimer**

By signing in the tournament participants confirm to have read and accepted these regulations and specially the following

- 6.1 All participants agree to abide by all rules and site policies stated at Chess.com/legal
- 6.2 The anti-cheating measures are based on Chess.com's resources. Throughout the SACC Online Championship, Chess.com's dedicated team of fair play professionals, computer scientists and statisticians will be working in coordination with their proprietary fair play detection technology to ensure that fair results are made for each game. You can find more information on Chess.com Fair Play and Cheat Detection Policy [here](#).
- 6.3 All participants shall comply and co-operate with Chess.com Fair Play and Anti-cheating detection team. Players may be removed from the Championship at any time by final decision of the Chief Arbiter or the SACC based on the consultation of fair play evaluation of Chess.com.
- 6.4 All participants winning a prize will be additionally post-checked and can be disqualified after the tournament has concluded.
- 6.5 Any fair play actions taken against participants are in accordance with fair play policy of Chess.com including but not limited to statistical analysis and manual review. The SACC does not claim or acknowledge that such actions are evidence of unfair play. These actions are not considered by SACC as a reason for any sanctions in further SACC live events. However, if any player is considered in violation of Chess.com's fair play policies, they will be disqualified from the Online events for two years. All the players agree that they have no right to appeal the aforementioned actions either through arbitration, consultation or in a court of law within any jurisdiction.
- 6.6 Players may not leave their seats during the game without permission of the Arbiter.
- 6.7 Participants have no right to appeal about pairings made during the Championship.
- 6.8 SACC or Chess.com have no responsibility for technical problems arising for players during the games.
- 6.9 By registering in the Championship, players will not have the right to claim any financial compensation or redress related to the Championship.
- 6.10 SACC has the right to change the schedule, update the regulations or decide for any matter that is not mentioned in the current regulations.

## **7. Tournament schedule**

### **Friday 26 September 2020 Rounds 1-5**

1<sup>st</sup> Round from 15:00 (Bangladesh Time, GMT +6)

2<sup>nd</sup> Round from 16:00 (Bangladesh Time, GMT +6)

3<sup>rd</sup> Round from 17:00 (Bangladesh Time, GMT +6)

4<sup>th</sup> Round from 18:00 (Bangladesh Time, GMT +6)

5<sup>th</sup> Round from 19:00 (Bangladesh Time, GMT +6)

### **Saturday 26 September 2020 Rounds 6-9**

6<sup>th</sup> Round from 15:00 (Bangladesh Time, GMT +6)

7<sup>th</sup> Round from 16:00 (Bangladesh Time, GMT +6)

8<sup>th</sup> Round from 17:00 (Bangladesh Time, GMT +6)

9<sup>th</sup> Round from 18:00 (Bangladesh Time, GMT +6)

## **8. Officials**

Technical Delegate: IA CastoAbundo (PHI).

Chief Arbitrator: IA Haroon or Rashid (BAN).

Pairings Director: IA MehrdadPahlevanzadeh (IRI)

All complaints should be forwarded to the Chief Arbitrator whose decision is final.

## **9. Prizes**

Total 6,000 (Six Thousand) US dollars. 4,500 (Four Thousand Five Hundred) US dollars mail prize and 1,500 (One Thousand Five Hundred) US dollars for Bangladeshi players. Prize money will not be shared and one player will receive only one prize.

1<sup>st</sup> - 1200 US Dollars, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 800 US Dollars, 3<sup>rd</sup>- 500 US Dollars, 4<sup>th</sup>-300 US Dollars, 5<sup>th</sup>-200 US Dollars, 6<sup>th</sup>-200 US Dollars, 7<sup>th</sup>-200 US Dollars, 8<sup>th</sup>-200 US Dollars, 9<sup>th</sup>-200, 10<sup>th</sup>-100 US Dollars, 11<sup>th</sup>-100 US Dollars, 12<sup>th</sup>-100 US Dollars, 13<sup>th</sup>-100 US Dollars, 14<sup>th</sup>-100 US Dollars, 15<sup>th</sup>-100 US Dollars, 16<sup>th</sup>-100 US Dollars.

Special Prize for Bangladeshi players: 1<sup>st</sup>-700 US Dollars, 2<sup>nd</sup>- 500 US Dollars, 3<sup>rd</sup>-300 US Dollars.

## **10. Other Matters**

Any matters not mentioned in the Regulations above shall be decided upon, if necessary, after consultation with the SACC.

## **11. Contact Information**

Registration: Bangladesh Chess Federation at [banchessfed@gmail.com](mailto:banchessfed@gmail.com)

Chess.com Clubs: MehrdadPahlevanzadeh at [mehrdad.pahlevanzadeh@gmail.com](mailto:mehrdad.pahlevanzadeh@gmail.com)