



Asian Schools Chess Championships 2021 Open & Girls under 7, 9, 11, 13, 15 & 17

2-4 and 9-11 July 2021 on Tornelo

INVITATION

The **National Chess Federation of the Philippines (NCFP)** headed by **Hon. Congressman PROSPERO A. PICHAY Jr.** together with the **City Government of Bacolod** headed by **Hon. City Mayor EVELIO R. LEONARDIA** under the auspices of the **Asian Chess Federation (ACF)** and the **International Chess Federation (FIDE)**, has the honor to invite all Asian National Chess Federations to participate in the 2021 Asian Schools Online Chess Championships to be played online on Tornelo from July 2 to 4, 2021 for the Boys/Open Division and July 9 to 11, 2021 for the Girls Division.

General Rules & Regulations

The Asian Schools Chess Championships 2021 are individual and team championships combined. Each national federation may be represented by individuals or by teams.

The Championships shall be governed by the FIDE Online Chess Regulations.

Participation

There shall be 6 categories namely Under-07, Under-09 Under-11, Under-13, Under15 and Under-17 with separate events for Open and Girls.

The players must be members of their Federation per detailed eligibility rules in FIDE Handbook Reg. B.04.

Entitled to participate are players in the following age groups:

Under-07: Born on or after 1 January 2014

Under-09: Born on or after 1 January 2012

Under-11: Born on or after 1 January 2010

Under-13: Born on or after 1 January 2008

Under-15: Born on or after 1 January 2006

Under-17: Born on or after 1 January 2004

Each Asian National Chess Federation can register individuals if fewer than four players or a team of 4 players with a maximum of two teams per age category in each Open Division and two teams per age category in each Girls Division. The host federation may have a third team in each event. Each federation may win only one team trophy (certificate) per category.

Registration must be made by the national chess federations. Individual registrations will not be accepted. All players must have FIDE ID before registration.

The Chief of Delegation represents the Federation and takes full responsibility for the conduct of members of its delegation.

By 25th June 2021, each federation accepting the invitation will send its entry using the attached Entry Form to the organizing federation with copies to the Asian Chess Federation.

Financial Regulations

Entry Fee: The Entry Fee is \$15 per individual player or \$50 for a first team of 4 players.

Registration fee for a second team of 4 players is \$100.

Registration fee must be paid before 25th June 2021. After the deadline of 25th June 2021, the fine for each late entry is \$15 per individual or fine of \$50 per team.

Each federation may pay a refundable protest fee of \$100 which shall be refunded in case there is no protest.

Payments should be paid (bank charges paid by sender) to:

Account Name: Sheila P Paez

US Dollar Acct: 116210002128

Bank Name: Bank of Commerce

Bank Address: Manila, Philippines

SWIFT CODE: PABIPHMM

All payments must be finalized on or before June 25, 2021. Players will not be paired until all payments and fees are cleared.

Tournament System

The tournament shall be conducted as a Swiss System competition of 9 rounds where possible and will be played according to FIDE Regulations for Online Chess with Supervision.

Members of the same team will not be paired against each other.

Fair Play Rules

Players may play only on laptop or desktop and log into Zoom with their 3-letter country code and name. The Zoom Arbiters per Age Category shall virtually inspect the Setup of Playing Devices and Zoom Set up of players before the start of each game. Only players are allowed access to his / her playing area.

Each player shall be monitored by cameras, front videocam and side camera. Only players with approved cameras and device set up will be allowed to play. The camera should show clear view of the player.

In each playing venue, the fair play measures should be applied in accordance with the FIDE Anti-Cheating Regulations and FIDE Anti-Cheating Protection Measures. Players shall be monitored by Tornelo Live Fair Play Reports.

Unless authorized by the arbiter, it is forbidden for anybody to use a mobile phone or other kind of communication or electronic device in the playing venue, or any contiguous area designated by the Zoom Arbiters.

The Zoom Arbiters should see that each player is connected to Zoom. Front Audio in Zoom should always be open during live games. It is not allowed for players to use headphones or virtual Zoom background. Playing venue should be well lit. There should be no external noise.

All participants shall comply and co-operate with the Fair Play rules. Players may be removed from the Championship at any time on final decision of the Chief Arbiter based on fair play rules.

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. Participants have no right to appeal for pairings made during the Championship.

By registering in the Championship, players will not have the right to claim any financial compensation or redress related to the Championship.

For the success of the event the Organizer has the right to change the schedule with due notice, update the regulations or decide for any matter that is not mentioned in the current regulations.

Video Conferencing System Arbiters

Before the game starts the VCS Arbiters assigned for each federation should make it mandatory that all computers run only one tab in one browser. No other website, application or software can be open on the playing device except Tornelo and Zoom.

Players should share their desktop screen in Zoom and make Task Manager “Always on top”. The images of the video conferencing platform may be recorded by the organizer. It must be ensured that only the Chief Arbiter, the panel of experts, if any, and the members of Ethics and Disciplinary Commission (EDC) and Fair Play Commission (FPL) may access it if deemed necessary.

Time Control:

Time control is Rapid Play - Each player shall have 15 minutes for the game with the addition of 10 seconds per move starting from the first move. The clocks of all games shall be started by the Chief Arbiter.

Pairings:

Swiss pairings shall be made on Tornelo (Javafo). The highest ranked shall receive White in the first round.

In the last round, players from the same federation who have more than 50% shall not be paired together if alternate pairings are available. Forbidden pairings shall be controlled by Swiss Manager. Pairings will be published in chess-results.com as soon as possible after each round unless there are pending appeals.

Schedule:

Date	Manila Time	Details
25 June 2021	14:00	Technical Meeting
	16:00	Trial Run
2 July 2021	12:30	Set – up of Devices
2 July 2021	13:00	Opening Ceremony
Boys Division July 2, 3, 4, 2021		
2 July 2021	14:00	Round 1
	15:15	Round 2
	16:30	Round 3
3 July 2021	14:00	Round 4
	15:15	Round 5
	16:30	Round 6
4 July 2021	14:00	Round 7
	15:15	Round 8
	16:30	Round 9
Girls Division July 9, 10, 11, 2021		
9 July 2021	14:00	Round 1
	15:15	Round 2
	16:30	Round 3
10 July 2021	14:00	Round 4
	15:15	Round 5
	16:30	Round 6
11 July 2021	14:00	Round 7
	15:15	Round 8
	16:30	Round 9
	19:30	Awarding Ceremony

Scoring

Individual results will be calculated by game points. Scoring is one (1) point for a win, half (1/2) point for a draw and zero (0) for a loss.

Team results will be calculated by the total scores of the four (4) players of a team.

Team Tie Break System

Ties shall be broken by the total score of the top three (3), then by total of top two (2) players only and if still tied then by the score of the top player alone.

If still tied, the tie shall be broken by tie break of the top players.

Individual Tie-break System

The final ranking order of the players is determined by the number of points scored. If at the end of the tournament two or more players are tied for the first place or for any prize, the tie shall be broken in accordance with the following:

Direct Encounter (if tied players have played against each other)

The greater number of wins

The greater number of games with black (unplayed games shall be counted as played with white)

Buchholz cut 1

Buchholz

Sonneborn-Berger (for round robins)

Prizes

Electronic Certificates of Achievement will be awarded to the top 3 players (Gold, Silver and Bronze) in each category. Electronic Certificates of Participation shall be given to all players.

Electronic Certificates of Achievement will be awarded to the winning teams in each category.

Three best Federations, by ranking of medals collected in all categories, will receive an Electronic Certificate of Recognition.

Appeals Committee

The Chairman of Appeals shall be appointed by the Asian Chess Federation President in consultation with the Organizing Federation, including two members and two reserves from different federations.

No member of the committee shall have the right to vote on questions concerning his own federation. However, every member is entitled to participate in the discussions.

Any protest must be submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter, within 10 minutes after the end of the respective game.

A protest fee of USD100 shall be paid to the Organizer which is refundable if the protest is upheld.

The decision of the Appeals Committee is final, binding and takes effect immediately.

Chief Arbiter and his Assistants

The Asian Chess Federation President will - after consultation with the organizing federation - nominate the Technical Delegate and the Chief Arbiter, as well as the necessary assistant arbiters and other officials.

The Chief Arbiter may, in consultation with the Asian Chess Federation, issue additional written regulations to take care of other details not covered by these regulations.

Organizing Committee

Technical Delegate: ACF Executive Director Casto Abundo casto.abundo@gmail.com

Tournament Director: FST / GM Jayson O. Gonzales jayson_1gonzales@yahoo.com

Chief Arbiter: IA Reden A. Cruz iaredenacruz@gmail.com

Tornelo Arbiter: NA Michael Joseph Pagaran mykelpagz@gmail.com