



8th YEREVAN OPEN INTERNATIONAL CHESS TOURNAMENT

REGULATIONS

04 DEC - 10 DEC 2026

The tournament is held under the high patronage of the Yerevan Municipality.

Organizer:

Yerevan Chess Federation

Sponsors:

1. "Chessify" LLC
2. "ChessMood"

Venue:

TIGRAN PETROSYAN CHESS HOUSE

📍 50 Khanjyan Street, Yerevan, RA

Participants:

Tournament A: open to players with FIDE rating 2101 and above.

*The organizer reserves the right to allow a limited number of players with FIDE rating below 2100.

Tournament B: open to players with FIDE rating 2100 and below. FIDE unrated players who have I and II chess rank are also eligible to participate in this tournament.

Blitz tournament: open to all participants of tournaments A and B, as well as all FIDE rated players.

System:

Tournament A, B & Blitz tournament: 9 round Swiss system

All participants must have FIDE Identification Number (FIDE ID).

The pairings program used in all tournaments is Swiss-Manager based on ratings.

*The Blitz tournament will also be submitted to FIDE for rating calculations.

Time control:

Tournaments A & B: 90 minutes till the end of the game with 30 seconds increment per move, starting from move one.

Blitz tournament: 3 minutes with a 2 second increment per move, starting from move one.

Prizes:

The total prize fund of the three tournaments is **12 000 000 AMD**.

All prizes are subject to taxation in accordance with RA tax legislation.

/ Check currency exchange rate on the below link:

<https://www.cba.am/en/sitepages/exchangearchive.aspx/>.

Participants who take 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in the tournaments will be awarded trophies and diplomas.

Tournament A	Main	U 2300	U 2200	Women
1 st place	2 000 000	150 000	90 000	200 000
2 nd place	1 400 000	110 000		100 000
3 rd place	1 000 000			
4 th place	750 000			
5 th place	550 000			
6 th -10 th places	250 000			
11 th -15 th places	180 000			
16 th -20 th places	120 000			
21 st -25 th places	80 000			

Chessify prizes (Chessify coins)

Web: www.chessify.me

Tournament A	Main	U 2300	Women	U 18	U 16	U 14
1 st place	500	300	300	300	300	300
2 nd place	400					
3 rd place	300					
4 th place	200					
5 th place	100					

*Chessify prizes are presented in US dollars and are independent from monetary prizes.

Tournament B	Main	Women	U 12	U 10	U 8
1st place	350 000	65 000	45 000	35 000	25 000
2nd place	250 000				
3rd place	200 000				
4th place	150 000				
5th place	100 000				
6th place	70 000				
7th place	60 000				
8th place	50 000				
9th place	50 000				
10th place	50 000				

Blitz	Main	Women	U 14	U 12	U 10
1st place	300 000	35 000	40 000	25 000	20 000
2nd place	200 000				
3rd place	130 000				
4th place	90 000				
5th place	70 000				
6th place	50 000				
7th place	40 000				

ChessMood prizes (Bundle Essential Memberships)

Web: www.chessmood.com

Tournament A	Main	Women	U 16	U 14	64th place
1st place	1 year	6 month	3 month	3 month	1 month
2nd place	6 month				
3rd place	3 month				

Tournament B	Main	Women	U 14	U 12	U 10	64th place
1 st place	6 month	3 month	1 month	1 month	1 month	1 month
2 nd place	3 month					
3 rd place	1 month					

* ChessMood prizes are independent from monetary prizes.

In case of a tie, the prizes will be distributed according to Tie Break proceedings. A player cannot be awarded more than one prize, and will be awarded the higher prize. In case the category prize is the same as the main prize, player receives the main prize.

Tie-Breaks:

Tie-breaks will be carried out according to the following order:

- Cut Buchholz-1
- Buchholz
- Direct encounter
- Most black
- Greater number of victories

The default time for the tournament is 30 min from the start of the round.

***Electronic devices are not allowed in the playing hall.**

***Players are not allowed to agree to a draw before the 30th move.**

***Prize winners must attend the closing ceremony - otherwise, 20% of the prize money will be withheld.**

Entry fees:

Tournament A:

FIDE std. rating	Until 26.11.2026	27-30.11.2026
Under 2100	70 000 AMD	80 000 AMD
2101-2200	50 000 AMD	60 000 AMD
2201-2300	40 000 AMD	50 000 AMD
2301-2400	30 000 AMD	40 000 AMD

The entry is free for GMs, chess players with FIDE rating 2400+, and IMs with FIDE rating 2300+.

Tournament B:

FIDE std. rating/Title	Until 26.11.2026	27-30.11.2026
2000 and above	15 000 AMD	20 000 AMD
Under 2000	20 000 AMD	25 000 AMD
Under 1800	25 000 AMD	30 000 AMD
I rank	30 000 AMD	35 000 AMD
II rank	40 000 AMD	45 000 AMD

Blitz:

FIDE blitz rating/Title	
GM/IM	Free
2101 and above	4 000 AMD
Under 2100	7 000 AMD

- **All participants must pay 5000 AMD Yerevan Chess Federation fee.**
- **Tournaments A and B: 10% off for players born between 01.01.2012 and 31.12.2013.**
- **Tournaments A and B: 20% off for players born after 31.12.2013.**
- **In case of cancellation of registration, 80% of the entry fee will be refunded.**

The deadline for the registration is: Tournament A & B: NOV 26,2026.

Schedule:

Event	Date	Time
Round 1	Dec 04	15:00
Round 2	Dec 05	10:30
Round 3	Dec 05	16:00
Round 4	Dec 06	10:30
Blitz tournament	Dec 06	18:30
Round 5	Dec 07	15:00
Round 6	Dec 08	10:30
Round 7	Dec 08	16:00
Round 8	Dec 09	15:00
Round 9	Dec 10	10:30
Closing ceremony	Dec 10	18:30

Visa:

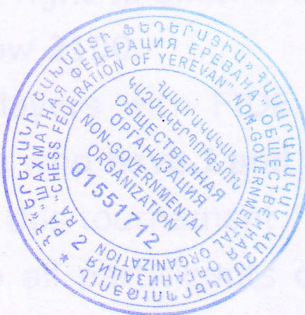
Please check visa requirements at www.mfa.am/en/visa.

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