

INTERNATIONAL OPEN RULES

1. **Game system:** The main tournament (under FIDE approval) will be played in 9 rounds according to the Swiss system accelerated to 90mn+30s/stroke.
2. The FIDE rules (latest version 1st January 2018) will be applied.
3. All players must have the FIDE ID to participate in the tournament.
4. **Delay:** Any player arriving in front of the board more than 30 minutes late on the schedule will lose the game.
5. **Forfeit:** Any player who forfeits without notice will not be matched in the next round. It will be declared a general forfeit in the event of two absences even after notice from the chief arbiter. Players matched during the last round who are absent without justification will be deprived of participation in the next festival.
6. **Bay pass:** Any player is entitled to a bye pass (maximum 2 times) during the first five rounds provided that he informs the chief arbiter immediately after the round preceding the request. A credit of 0.5 point will then be granted.
7. **Annotation of the games:** Moves should be recorded as clearly and legibly as possible, algebraic notation. We must not forget that with this rhythm of play, we can never stop annotating the moves.
8. Players are required to give the arbiter, at the end of the game, the original signed game sheet with the correct result. Once the game is over, players must return the pieces to their original position.
9. Analysis is not allowed, nor is the reproduction of the games in the game room. It is not permitted to leave the field of play, having the match in progress, without the arbiter's permission. A player who has the line may not leave the board without the arbiter's permission.
10. **Electronic devices:** It is forbidden to have mobile phones or any other means of electronic communication in the games room. The offending player loses his game. Players can drop off their devices at the reception desk for a receipt.
11. **Wearing badges and clothing:** The wearing of specific badges for each player is mandatory; any negligence or omission is punishable by a warning by the chief arbiter, in the event of a repeat offence the player in question is sanctioned by a fine of **100 DH** under penalty of losing the part of the round in question.
Players must wear appropriate clothing within the tournament hall and during the closing ceremony (e. g. no beachwear), under penalty of sanctions by the organizing committee.
12. Participants and spectators are required to observe silence inside the tournament room, under penalty of sanctions by the chief arbiter (warning, expulsion from the room).
13. Smoking is prohibited in the games room and mobile phones are not allowed in the tournament area.

14. Spectators are allowed to take pictures (with flashes) within the first 15 minutes of the beginning of each round.
15. **Appeals Committee:** An Appeals Committee will be established prior to the start of the tournament. As the decisions of the chief arbiter are uncontested on the spot, any player who feels aggrieved must submit his appeal in writing to the said commission, accompanied by a deposit of **300 DH** which will be returned to him if his appeal is validated. The appeal must be submitted to the chief arbiter no later than one hour after the end of the round in question.

The Appeal Committee is composed of five members:

- The Festival Director
- A representative of the international players
- Two representatives of Moroccan players
- A female representative

2 alternate members are also chosen to sit on the Appeal Committee to replace one or two of its members. A player concerned by the possible appeal may not deliberate within the Appeal Committee.

16. Price distribution:

16.1. Tie-breaks (decreasing):

- Bilateral outcome.
- Bucholz.
- Median Bucholz.
- Sonneborn-Berger.
- Tie-breaking party, 6 minutes for whites and 5 minutes for blacks. In case of nullity, blacks win the tiebreaker.

16.2. Prize sharing (overall ranking) will be done via the Hort system.

16.3. If a player is entitled to a cash prize in various rankings, he/she is awarded the prize of the highest value. If the amount of the prizes is the same, the prize is awarded in the following order: General classification, Elo FIDE (-2200, - 2000, -1800, not classified), National, Local, Age.

16.4. Prices are not cumulative.

17. Spectators and accompanying persons must respect the behavioral clauses in the tournament area under penalty of prohibition of access.
18. Tournament participants authorize the publication of their personal data in the various media that the organization deems appropriate (lists, rankings, games, etc.)
19. The Organization reserves the right to amend these Rules in the event of force majeure or unforeseen circumstances.
20. Participation in this tournament implies full and unreserved acceptance of these rules.

SPECIAL CLAUSES FOR THE BLITZ MARATHON

The festival rules are valid for the blitz tournament with the application of the following special clauses:

1. **Game system:** The Blitz tournament (under FIDE approval) will be played in 11 rounds according to the Swiss accelerated system. Cadence 3mn+2s/stroke.
2. The FIDE rules (for the Blitz) version January 2018 will be applied.
3. **Price distribution:**
 - 3.1. De-splitting mode (decreasing):
 - Bilateral outcome.
 - Bucholz.
 - Median Bucholz.
 - Sonneborn-Berger.
 - Tie breaker, 5 minutes for whites and 4 minutes for blacks; in case of nullity, blacks win the tie breaker.
 - 3.2. The prizes are distributed according to the general ranking.
 - 3.3. No prize sharing in case of a tie.
 - 3.4. Prices are not cumulative.
 - 3.5. If a player is entitled to a prize in various rankings, the prize will be awarded according to article 16.3 of the festival rules.
4. The decisions of the chief arbiter regarding the blitz marathon are final.
5. Participants will receive a free meal during the Blitz Marathon break.

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