

Regulations for the World Junior Team Championship

Approved by the 1977 Central Committee. Amended by the 1984, 1992, 1994 and 1997 General Assemblies and 1998 Executive Council.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 (EC '99) A tournament for the World Junior Team Championship shall be organized every year, by a federation affiliated to FIDE designated by the General Assembly.

2. Participation

- 2.1 Each federation affiliated to FIDE shall be entitled to participate with a team of national players, qualified by birth, citizenship or naturalization to represent that federation, save as otherwise provided in 2.13 below. Eligibility rules in C.05 shall apply.
 - 2.1.1 The teams shall consist of two players per category, two male and two female to compete in the male and female categories. An additional prize will be given to the country with the best result in both categories.
 - 2.1.2 The playing members of the team shall not have reached the age of 20 by January 1st of the year in which the tournament is held.
 - 2.1.3 A player who has resided for at least three years in a country of which he or she is not a citizen after the date on which FIDE shall have received notification of change of federation and who proves that he or she has applied for citizenship in that country or intends to do so as soon as the legal requirements are fulfilled may become a team member of a federation after a thorough examination and clearance of the case by the FIDE President. For exemptions please refer to General Rules for participation in FIDE individual and Team competitions (C 05).
 - 2.1.4 A player with dual citizenship may only represent one federation and is eligible by citizenship to participate in the World Junior Team Championship on condition that he or she has not represented any other federation in any FIDE team or individual competition at any time in the preceding year.
 - 2.1.5 A player who is qualified to represent a federation by virtue of any criteria other than citizenship is eligible by citizenship to participate in the World Team-20 Championship at any time on condition that he or she has not represented any other federation in any FIDE team or individual competition at any time in the preceding year.

- 2.2 The organizing federation shall be entitled to enter a second team ("B" team). If there is an odd number of participating teams, it has the right to enter a third team ("C" team), but this team shall not appear in the final ranking list
- 2.3 Every participating team is required to play through the entire tournament. However, if a team is forced by circumstances beyond its control to withdraw from the tournament, the treatment of any unplayed matches, for the purposes of scoring, shall be settled by the Chief Arbiter and Tournament Director. Any further measures shall be taken later by the FIDE President.
- 2.4 Every team shall be headed by a captain (in matters related to play) and a chief of delegation (in administrative matters). The tournament organizer shall incur no expenses for any captain or chief of delegation who is not one of the persons listed under 2.11.

3. Organization

- 3.1 At least five months before the beginning of the Championship, the organizing federation shall submit to the FIDE President the draft invitation according to Article 2 of FIDE Tournament Rules C.07.
- 3.2 Immediately upon receiving this draft invitation, the FIDE President shall inform the organizing federation whether he approves the draft, advising at the same time of any modifications he may deem necessary.
- 3.3 The organizing federation shall send the invitation in its final form to all national federations affiliated to FIDE at least four months before the beginning of the tournament. Copies of the invitation shall be sent to the FIDE President, the Continental Presidents and the Zone Presidents.
- 3.4 The national federations intending to participate shall send their preliminary entry to the organizing federation at least three months before the beginning of the tournament. A copy of this preliminary entry shall be sent to the FIDE President, Continental President concerned and to the President of the Zone to which the federation belongs.
- 3.5 At least two months before the beginning of the tournament, each federation accepting the invitation shall send its final registration to the organizing federation, giving the following details:
 - The full names and birthdates of the team members and their last-published FIDE ratings and ID numbers

- The full names of the captain and chief of delegation
- Any information required in connection with visas.

4. Playing Conditions

- 4.1 The World Junior Team Championship shall be played according to FIDE regulations.
- 4.2 The tournament shall not last more than 9 days, including days of arrival and departure.
- 4.3 When there are 8 or fewer participants, a round-robin competition shall be held.
- 4.4 When there are 9 to 16 participants, the tournament shall be played with preliminaries and final rounds.
- 4.4.1 For the preliminary phase, teams shall be divided into groups with up to four teams per group. Each group shall play a single round robin with the top two teams qualifying into the final phase.
- 4.5 When the number of participating teams exceeds 16, the tournament shall be played as a Swiss System of seven rounds. In this case, the Olympiad Pairing Rules, D.II.07 Annex D, shall apply with the exception of articles 9 and 13.
- 4.6 The time limit is 40 moves in 100 minutes, then 20 moves in 50 minutes and finally 10 minutes for the remaining moves. From move 1 30 seconds will be added after each move. The games shall be played using the DGT clocks.

5. Financial Regulations

- 5.1 The travel expenses of the players and accompanying persons shall be paid by their national federation.
- 5.2 The board and lodging expenses from the official day of arrival to the night before the official day of departure shall be borne by the organizing federation for the participants specified in 2.11.
- 5.3 Each participating federation shall pay to FIDE the entry fee of SFr 200.-.
- 5.4 The organizing federation shall provide the arbiters with free board and lodging and shall pay them a reasonable fee for their services. The organizer

is also responsible for the travelling expenses of the Chief Arbiter and for the accommodation and meals of the FIDE Observer.

5.5 The entry fee for the first two years will be for the organizing federation.

6. Direction of the Tournament

6.1 The organizing federation may form an Organizing Committee and appoint its chairman. In this case, the Organizing Committee shall be responsible for the local management of the organization.

6.2 The organizer (organizing federation or committee) shall appoint the Tournament Director who shall be competent for all matters of organization inside the tournament hall.

6.3 In consultation with the organizing federation, the President shall appoint the Chief Arbiter and the regular arbiters.

6.4 The FIDE President may appoint a FIDE Observer, who will have the task of appraising the overall workings of the tournament from the point of view of FIDE. He shall not take any measures, but shall communicate his observations and suggestions directly to the President.

6.5 The Chief Arbiter is responsible for the technical management of the tournament according to the FIDE rules. He shall have the task of overseeing and co-ordinating the work of all the arbiters and technical officials.

6.6 The Regular Arbiters must belong to different federations. They shall assist the Chief Arbiter.

6.7 The Assistant Arbiters shall be placed by the Tournament Director at the disposal of the Chief Arbiter. They shall be instructed in their duties and supervised by the Chief Arbiter and Regular Arbiters.

6.8 The general responsibility of all arbiters is the trouble-free conduct of the playing sessions in the tournament. The arbiters shall ensure overall compliance with the Laws of Chess and the supplementary regulations.

6.9 When the tournament is played as a Swiss system, the Tournament Director in agreement with the Chief Arbiter shall appoint a Pairings Committee (a Chairman and two other members). The Pairings Committee is responsible

to the Chief Arbiter and its work shall be done according to Article 4.5 of these regulations.

7. Appeals Committee

- 7.1 The Appeals Committee shall be composed of five members selected before the beginning of the tournament. Four of them shall be elected from the heads of delegations and the Chairman shall be nominated by the organizing federation.
- 7.2 The following matters may be the subject of rulings by the Appeals Committee:
- Protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter or the Tournament Director;
 - Complaints of improper conduct by participants in the tournament;
 - Any other matters which the committee considers important and worth debating.
- 7.3 Protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter or the Tournament Director must be typed and presented to the Appeals Committee in triplicate, together with the sum of One Hundred Swiss Francs (SFr.100.-) or the equivalent in local currency as a deposit from the signatory. The deposit must be handed to the Chairman of the Appeals Committee. If the appeal is granted this sum shall be returned immediately but if it is refused the deposit is forfeited to FIDE. Those entitled to lodge appeals for a participant are the chief of delegation or the team captain. Requests by organizers and officials may be made without payment.
- 7.4 Upon submission of the appeal, the Committee will examine the evidence and, for this purpose, it may take statements from anyone as required, consult the arbiters and organizers, etc. The decision of the Appeals Committee should be reached as quickly as possible.
- 7.5 The Appeals Committee should endeavour to find acceptable solutions in the FIDE spirit. It may resolve disputed issues with or without disciplinary action. In the case of gross unsporting offences or other misconduct, the principles of the Laws of Chess and of the FIDE Tournament Rules are applied.
- 7.6 The following steps may be taken by the Appeals Committee:
- Admonishment;
 - Correction;
 - Demand for an apology to the offending party;

- Written warning;
- Fine;
- Conditional or definitive disqualification.

The federations shall take responsibility for their delegation members.

7.7 No member of the Appeals Committee shall have the right to participate in a decision concerning his own federation or members of his federation's team. However, each member of the Appeals Committee is entitled to take part in the discussion on any matter submitted to the same.

8. The Team Captain

8.1 The basic duties and rights of a team captain are defined in the FIDE Tournament Rules C.07.

8.2 The team captain must list the players of his team in a fixed board order.

8.3 In the exercise of his functions, the team captain has the right of access to the area reserved for the players, but he must ensure that the members of his team who are not involved in the current match or have finished their games do not enter or remain in this area.

8.4 At the end of the playing session, the captain is responsible for reporting the result to the arbiters and delivering to them legibly written scoresheets of the finished games.

8.5 During the games the captain must refrain from interfering in any way. He is, however, entitled to advise his players to make or accept an offer of a draw. He should not comment on the actual position on the chess board and confine himself to giving brief information which can in no way be construed as an opinion on the progress of the game. The exchange of information should be done in the presence of a controller.

8.6 The captain may appoint a deputy to exercise his function but must inform the Chief Arbiter of this in writing.

8.7 In matters relating directly to the play, the captain is entitled to lodge or present demands made by his players.

9. Classification

9.1 The final positions of the teams shall be established by the number of game points scored by each team.

- 9.2 When the Swiss system is used, the position of teams that finish with the same number of game points shall be determined by application of the following tie-breaking procedures, in sequence from (a) to (b) to (c) to (d) to the extent required:
- a. By the sum of the game scores of all the team's opponents;
 - b. By the sum of match points won;
 - c. By the results of the matches between the tied teams;
 - d. By the sum of the game scores of all the team's opponents, excluding the opponent who scored the highest number of game points and the opponent who scored the lowest number of game points.
- 9.3 When the round robin system is used, the following procedures are applicable, in sequence:
The sum of the match points won;
The Sonnenborn-Berger points;
The match result between themselves.

10. Prizes

- 10.1 Both the winning team and the team finishing second shall receive trophies.
- 10.2 Every member of the winning team (players and captain) shall receive a gold medal. Similarly, members of the team finishing second and of the team finishing third shall receive silver and bronze medals, respectively.
- 10.3 The players who obtained the best individual results on their respective boards shall receive gold medals.
- 10.4 Additional prizes may be offered by the organizer or by the sponsors. Conditions of their award shall be announced to the participants before the start of the tournament.

Regulations for the Children's Olympiad

Approved by the 1996 General Assembly

1. Frequency

- 1.1 The Children's Olympiad is a team competition organized annually, under the aegis of FIDE, by a federation entrusted with the task by the General Assembly at least one year in advance.

2. Participation

- 2.1 Participation in the Children's Olympiad is open to all affiliated chess federations.
- 2.2 Entitled to participate are chess players who shall not have reached the age of 16 by January 1st of the year in which the tournament will commence.
- 2.3 Team Composition: 4 players plus 1 reserve plus 1 captain (or manager).
- 2.4 Each member federation shall have the right to send one team representing one country.
- 2.5 The organizing federation shall have the right to participate with two teams. They can add a third team in case an odd number of teams participate.
- 2.6 All players and reserves are required to have been members of their national federation for at least one year.

3. Organization

- 3.1 At least six months before the beginning of the tournament the organizing federation shall submit to the FIDE President a draft invitation and any special conditions for approval.
- 3.2 At least four months before the beginning of the tournament the organizing federation shall send invitations together with other special regulations, if any, approved by the FIDE President, to all affiliated federations.
- 3.3 Copies of the invitation shall be sent to the FIDE President, Continental Presidents and Zone Presidents.
- 3.4 At least two months before the beginning of the tournament each federation accepting the invitation shall send its entry to the organizing federation with

copies to the FIDE President, to the Continental President concerned and to the President of the Zone to which the federation belongs.

- 3.5 Each participating federation shall pay the stipulated entry fee (SFr.200) as contained in the financial regulations to FIDE upon confirmation of entry.
- 3.6 Travelling costs shall be the responsibility of the participating federations. Living expenses shall be the responsibility of the organizing federation.
- 3.7 The organizing federation shall provide the playing facilities and make suitable arrangement for board and accommodation.
- 3.8 The duration of the tournament shall not exceed 13 days including days of arrival and departure.
- 3.9 At least one month before the start of the tournament, each participating federation shall notify the organizers of the following details:
 - (a) Name and initials of the Chief of Delegation (or Manager).
 - (b) Name and initials of the Team Captain.
 - (c) Name and initials of each player (indicate, if any, the ID number in the Rating List).
 - (d) Date of birth of each player.
 - (e) FIDE rating of each player (on most recent FIDE Rating List).
 - (f) Any information required in connection with visas.

4. Tournament Regulations

- 4.1 Laws of Chess - The FIDE Laws of Chess shall apply. The following specific regulations for the Children's Olympiad shall also be in force.
- 4.2 Special regulations and conditions as approved by the FIDE President.
- 4.3 System of Play
 - 4.3.1 The tournament shall be run on a 10-round Swiss System.
 - 4.3.2 Each match between teams shall be played over four boards.
 - 4.3.3 Each team shall comprise 4 to 5 players who shall be listed in a fixed board order (1-5) by the team captain at the beginning of the tournament. This board order may not be changed during the tournament. The penalty for each deviation from the correct sequence in any round is one game point. Example: 1-5-4-2, two points shall be forfeited in the match. The use of any player who does not appear in the overall list shall cause that round to be forfeited 4-0.

- 4.4 Time Control
 - 4.4.1 The session of play will be five hours.
 - 4.4.2 The rate of play will be 40 moves in the first two hours followed by all moves in 30 minutes.
- 4.5 Scoring - Each team's place in the order of classification shall be decided by the number of game points it has scored.
 - 4.5.1 If any teams finish with equal game points, the tie-breaking procedures, in sequence proceeding from (a) to (b) to (c) to (d) to the extend required are:
 - (a) by the sum of the game scores of all the team's opponents;
 - (b) by the score of match points achieved;
 - (c) by the sum of the game scores of all the opponents defeated plus one half of the game scores of all the opponents with which a tied result was achieved;
 - (d) by the sum of the game scores of all the team's opponents, excluding the opponent who scored the highest number of game points and the opponent who scored the lowest number of game points.
- 4.6 Prizes
 - 4.6.1 Every member of the winning team (players, reserve and captain) shall receive a gold medal. Similarly, the team finishing second shall receive silver medals and the team in third place, bronze.
 - 4.6.2 Individual prizes - Players assigned to the same board number in their respective team lists shall be in competition with each other for an individual board prize. For the purpose of this award, the player's percentage score from their games shall be compared. Only the following shall be eligible for board prizes: players number 1-4 who take part in at least 60% of the rounds; players numbered 5 who take part in at least 50%.
 - 4.6.3 Additional prizes offered by the organizer or by sponsors should be known to the players in good time, together with the conditions of their award. The FIDE President shall decide how and when such prizes are to be presented.
 - 4.6.4 Certificates - After the end of the Children's Olympiad, the federations of the teams finishing first, second and third shall be sent certificates by the FIDE President, recording the success of their teams and the medals they have won.
- 4.7 Arbiter - The FIDE President, after consultation with the organizing federation, shall nominate the Chief Arbiter and other Arbiters.

4.8 Appeals Committee

- 4.8.1 Before the beginning of the tournament an Appeals Committee shall be selected.
- 4.8.2 The FIDE President, after consultation with the organizing federation, shall nominate the Chairman of the Appeals Committee.
- 4.8.3 The Appeals Committee shall consist of four other representatives from four different federations elected by the team captains. Likewise they shall elect two reserves who shall serve on the committee whenever the occasion warrants it.
- 4.8.4 The Appeals Committee shall decide on protests submitted against decisions of the Chief Arbiter.
- 4.8.5 The protest shall be submitted in writing to the Chairman with an accompanying fee of SFr.200 or its equivalent in local currency. Requests to the Appeals Committee by the organizers may be made without payment.
- 4.8.6 Except for the Chairman, no member of the Appeals Committee shall have the right to vote on any matter concerning his own federation. However, every member is entitled to participate in the discussions.
- 4.8.7 If the protest is rejected by the Appeals Committee, the protest fee paid shall be forfeited to FIDE. If upheld, the fee shall be returned.
- 4.8.8 The decision of the Appeals Committee is final, binding and takes effect immediately.
- 4.8.9 The Appeals Committee shall keep a record of all proceedings and submit a final report to the FIDE President at the end of the tournament.

4.9 Reports

On completion of the tournament, the Chief Arbiter and the Chairman of the Appeals Committee shall deliver their official written reports to the FIDE President. The reports shall deal with the course of the tournament and include supporting documents, if appropriate. Copies of these reports are to be extended to the organizing federation and the FIDE Secretariat.

Within two weeks after the closing ceremony, the organizing federation shall submit a written report to FIDE.

Within four weeks after the closing ceremony, the organizing federation shall present the FIDE President with a general report on the proceedings, with copy to FIDE Secretariat.