



## **CHESS REGULATIONS**

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### **1. Organization**

- a. The Chess Committee of the 21st Maccabiah will be responsible for the Chess competitions of the 21st Maccabiah.
- b. All the Chess events will be played according to the FIDE rules and regulations, its interpretations and supplements will be binding.
- c. The Chess Committee of the 21st Maccabiah will determine the venues and times of the Chess competitions and players will be notified accordingly and registered the Chess competitions.
- d. The Chess committee is authorized to make changes as deem necessary.
- e. The results of the games will count towards the FIDE ratings.

### **2. Closed Tournament – International Grand Masters**

- a. Participation in this event is open to International Grand Masters, to International Masters, and players who have at least 2500 ELO but are not International Masters yet.
- b. Ten players will be able to participate in this event, league style.
- c. Match will be played by the Fischer method (match length 2 hours + 30 seconds for each move).
- d. Determination of first place will be as follows:
  - 1) Number of points scored by the player.
  - 2) According to the Berger System (sum of all the points of those opponents whom they won against, plus the sum of half the points of those opponents they drew against).
  - 3) The result between the players that scored the most points.
  - 4) Blitz games, Double Round, between the players with the highest score.

### **3. Closed Tournament**

- a. Participation in this event is open to International Grand Masters, to International Masters, and players who have at least 2500 ELO but are not International Masters yet.
- b. Ten players will be able to participate in this event, league style.
- c. Match will be played by the Fischer method (match length 2 hours + 30 seconds for each move).
- d. Determination of first place will be as follows:
  - 1) Number of points scored by the player.
  - 2) According to the Berger System (sum of all the points of those opponents whom they won against, plus the sum of half the points of those opponents they drew against).
  - 3) The result between the players that scored the most points.
  - 4) Blitz games, Double Round, between the players with the highest score.

### **4. Open Tournament**

- a. Participation in this event is open to all Fide rated players, and each country may send three unrated players.
- b. The event will be held according to the Swiss System in nine rounds and a computer will do the pairing.
- c. Match will be played by the Fischer method (match length 2 hours + 30 seconds for each move).
- d. Determination of first place will be as follows:
  - 1) Number of points scored by the player.
  - 2) According to the Bucholtz System.
  - 3) According to the Median System.
  - 4) Blitz games, Double Round, between the players with the highest score.

### **5. Junior Tournament**

- a. Participation in this event is open to all FIDE rated players, and each country may send five unrated players.
- b. Participation in the competition is open to any athlete who is in possession of a Participant Card, issued by the Organizing Committee of the 21st Maccabiah and registered the Chess competition.
- c. The event will be held according to the Swiss System in nine rounds and computer will do the pairing.
- d. The rate of play is 2 hours for the finish match.
- e. Determination of first place will be as follows:
  - 1) Number of points scored by the player.
  - 2) According to the Bucholtz System.
  - 3) According to the Median System.
  - 4) Blitz games, Double Round, between the players with the highest score.

### **6. General**

- a. These regulations are but one part of the complete 21st Maccabiah Regulations and must be read along with the instructions found in the Maccabiah Basic Regulations.
- b. In the event of a discrepancy between the Regulations written here and those appearing in the Maccabiah Basic Regulations, the regulations written here will prevail, apply and be binding.