



9th MEDITERRANEAN MEN & WOMEN'S CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

CHANIA, CRETE, GREECE

2nd-10th September 2014

General Regulations

1. The Tournament

The "9th Mediterranean Men & Women's Chess Championships 2014", will be held in Chania of Crete, Greece, from 2nd (arrival) to 10th (departure) September 2014.

The tournament is being sponsored by KYDON SPORTS CLUB and KROMMYDAKIS GROUP OF COMPANIES, in ATLANTICA CALDERA CRETA PARADISE HOTEL. More Information about Chania Crete: www.chania.eu/tourism

The co-organizers for this tournament are:

MEDITERRANEAN CHESS ASSOCIATION, in conjunction with KYDON SPORTS CLUB, REGION OF CRETE / REGIONAL UNIT OF CHANIA, MUNICIPALITY OF PLATANIAS.

2. Participants

One player each for Men and Women Championships nominated by each Mediterranean Federation as listed in the MCA statute. If a Federation wishes to have additional players participating besides those qualified through the normal way and by right, it should apply to the Organizing Committee.

3. Registration

The Registration Form/s shall be submitted to the General Secretary of the Mediterranean Chess Association by e-mail (geoffrey.borg@gmail.com) and to the Tournament Director (skouvatsos11@gmail.com) by not later than 30th July 2014. If participants submit the registration form after the deadline they may have to pay for their accommodation or even be refused entry.

4. Traveling Expenses and Airport Transfers

Traveling expenses shall be covered by the participating Federations. Transportation from the Chania International Airport in Crete to the hotel and back will be managed by organizers for free. Extra players and accompanying persons' transportation fee will be 20€ (from the Chania International Airport in Crete to the hotel and back).

Players and accompanying persons that will arrive to Heraklion international airport in Crete (156km away from Chania) will take care about their own transfer from the airport to hotel.

5. Accommodation

The invited participants, a man and a woman identified by each federation, will be hosted by the organizers with free accommodation (full board) in double or triple rooms, in the hotel organizing the tournament. Any additional participant or accompanying person will have to pay for all their expenses in Chania-Crete.

The hotel of the tournament: CALDERA CRETA PARADISE

www.atlanticahotels.com/en/Hotels/Greece/Atlanticacalderacretaparadise/

The extra players and accompanying persons will pay 50 Euros for registration fee. They can arrange their accommodation in any hotel that they will choose in the area. Information for the hotels from the organizing committee in e-mail: info@kydonchess.gr (Fill out the registration form that exists below).

Registration fee and deposit for the hotel must be paid to the account of:

ALPHA BANK - No 648-002101-036559 (G. Filoxenis, M. Kalogeris)

IBAN: GR43 0140 6480 6480 0210 1036 559

SWIFT CODE CRBAGRAAXX

6. Entry Visa & Participant Details

All participants are requested to send one passport-size photo (jpeg) of their players and a scan of their passport to the MCA along with the registration form. Please check with your Government or the Greek Embassy in your country on the need or requirements for visas to Greek.

7. Tournament Regulations

7.1 Tournament Venue

In the conference hall to ATLANTICA CALDERA CRETA PARADISE HOTEL, Platanias - Chania, Crete, Greece:

www.atlanticahotels.com/en/Hotels/Greece/Atlanticacalderacretaparadise/

7.2 Procedure of appeals

Protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter or any of his assistants must be submitted in written form to the Chairman of the Appeals committee within one hour after completion of the playing session. The protest must be accompanied with the sum of 100 EUR, as a deposit from the signatory. If the protest is accepted and the decision changed, then the deposit will be returned back to the claimant.

Otherwise money will be transferred to the MCA Treasury or Organising Committee. The Appeals Committee will be selected prior to the first round during the Technical meeting and will be made up of three persons selected by the majority of the players.

7.3 System and rate of play

Men and Women will participate in one joint tournament. This will give more opportunity for rating and norms. The Championships are organized as per the FIDE Rules in the FIDE Handbook. The events will be conducted according to the Swiss System, 9 rounds. The time limit will be 90 minutes + 30 seconds increment per move for each player. The games will be played using DGT clocks.

7.4 Pairings

Pairings will be made with Swiss Manager Software. Pairings will be announced as soon as possible after each playing round finishes, will be published on the official website and will be posted in front of the tournament hall and in other key areas.

7.5 Ranking and Tie – breaks

For the award of trophies the order of players that finish with the same number of points, shall be determined by application of the following tie-breaking procedures in sequence proceeding from (a) to (b), to (c), to (d), to (e) and to (f), according to the extent required:

- (a) Direct encounter
- (b) The greater number of wins
- (c) Buchholz Cut 1
- (d) Buchholz
- (e) Sonneborn-Berger
- (f) Tie Break Match (Blitz games 5'+3" incr. per move)

7.6 Playing Schedule

Tuesday, September 2, 2014	19:00	Arrival Day & Technical Meeting
Wednesday, September 3, 2014	16:30 17:00	Opening Ceremony Round 1
Thursday, September 4, 2014	10:00 17:00	Round 2 Round 3
Friday, September 5, 2014	17:00	Round 4
Saturday, September 6, 2014	10:00 17:00	Round 5 Round 6
Sunday, September 7, 2014	17:00	Round 7
Monday, September 8, 2014	17:00	Round 8
Tuesday, September 9, 2014	10:00	Round 9
Tuesday, September 9, 2014	17:30	Closing Ceremony / Prize Distribution
Wednesday, September 10, 2014		Departure

