



IX Asian Continental Chess Championship (Open and Women's) 20-30 April 2010, Subic, Olongapo City, Philippines

To All FIDE Affiliated Chess Federations in Asia
Zones 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5 and 3.6

The National Chess Federation of the Philippines, on behalf of the Asian Chess Federation and FIDE, invites your Federation to participate in the 9th Asian Continental/Individual Open and Women's Chess Championship scheduled 20th to 30th April 2009 at the Subic Exhibition and Convention Center, Subic Bay Freeport Zone, Olongapo City, Philippines.

RULES & REGULATIONS

The Championship will be played in accordance with the following rules and regulations:

1. ELIGIBILITY & PARTICIPATION

- 1.1 Each Federation from FIDE Zones 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5 and 3.6 can enter one official player in the Open and one official player in the Women's Division.
- 1.2 In addition, each Federation may send extra players rated 2300 and above for the Open, and 2000 and above for Women based on the March 2010 FIDE Rating List. Extra players will be responsible for the payment of their board and lodging at the official hotel. Exceptions for the rating floor may be made by the Continental President on request of national federations.

2. SCHEDULE

April 20	Arrival	
April 21	Players' Meeting	11:00
	Opening Ceremony	14:00
	Rd. 1	15:00-20:00
April 22	Rd. 2	09:00-14:00
April 22	Rd. 3	17:00-22:00
April 23	Rd. 4	15:00-20:00
April 24	Rd. 5	09:00-14:00
April 24	Rd. 6	17:00-22:00
April 25	Rd. 7	15:00-20:00

April 26	Rd. 8	15:00-20:00
April 27	Rd. 9	15:00-20:00
April 28	Rd. 10	15:00-20:00
April 29	Rd. 11	10:00-15:00
	Closing Ceremony	17:00
April 30	Departure	

3. REGISTRATION

Entry shall be submitted by the national federation in the attached registration form on or before March 31, 2010 together with payment of the entry fees. Late entries will be accepted till April 10, 2010 with a late fee of US \$50.

A digital ID photo of each player should be sent by email to the Organizing Committee.

4. REGISTRATION FEE

Each participant must pay US\$100 to the organizers for accreditation, internal transportation and other local organizational expenses.

5. ENTRY FEE

Upon registration, each player shall pay to the Asian Chess Federation through the National Chess Federation of the Philippines the entry fee of \$150 on account of the participants as outlined in the Asian Chess Federation Financial Regulations, i.e. extra players pay double, \$300 entry fee.

Entries are not confirmed unless Registration and Entry fees are received by the National Chess Federation of the Philippines before the deadline.

6. TRAVELLING EXPENSES

In accordance with FIDE Regulations, air travel expenses shall be borne by the participating Federations.

7. ACCOMMODATION

The official players from each National Federation will be provided with board & lodging from afternoon of April 20 till morning of April 30. Participants will be accommodated in twin-shared bedrooms (two persons per room).

Each extra player/accompanying person should pay for their accommodation, \$60 per person per day for double or \$78 per day for single, both with full board. All players and accompanying persons should stay at the official hotel. Players not residing in the official hotel will not be allowed to participate. Hotel payments for all extra players and accompanying persons should be made in advance to the Organizing Committee upon arrival in Olongapo City.

8. PLAYING CONDITIONS

The tournament shall be conducted as a Swiss System competition of 11 rounds and will be played according to FIDE regulations. The number of rounds shall be reduced to 9 rounds should the number of participants be 64 or fewer in a tournament. The time control is 90 minutes for the first 40 moves followed by 30 minutes for the rest of the game with an addition of 30 seconds per move starting from move one. The

games shall be played with DGT clocks. Pairings will be made by Swiss Manager program.

9. PRIZES

The prize fund is US\$50,000 for the Open and US\$15,000 for the Women's Championship as follows (distribution depending on number of participants):

1st	-	6000
2nd	-	5000
3rd	-	4000
4th	-	3000
5th	-	2500
6th	-	2200
7th	-	2000
8th	-	1700
9th	-	1500
10th	-	1300
11th	-	1200
12th	-	1100
13th	-	1000
14th – 18th	-	900
19th – 23rd	-	800
24th – 28th	-	700
29th – 33rd	-	600
34th – 38th	-	500

WOMEN

1st	-	3000
2nd	-	2000
3rd	-	1500
4th	-	1000
5th	-	900
6th	-	800
7th	-	700
8th	-	600
9th – 11th	-	500
12th – 14th	-	400
15th – 20th	-	300

The top five (5) from the 2010 Asian (Open) Championship shall qualify for the 2011 World Cup. The 2010 Asian Women's champions shall qualify for the 2012 Women's World Championship.

10. CHIEF ARBITER AND HIS ASSISTANTS

The Chief Arbiter, his Deputy and Assistants will be appointed by the Asian Chess Federation President, Sheikh Sultan bin Khalifah Al Nahyan

11. APPEALS COMMITTEE

An Appeals Committee shall be constituted before the beginning of the tournament as stipulated in the FIDE regulations. The deposit fee will be US\$100 for each protest refundable if the protest is upheld.

12. TIE BREAK

If at the end of the tournament two or more players are tied, the tie shall be broken by the following tiebreak system:

After eliminating, the unrated/lowest rated opponent, where the players involved have all played only against rated opponents remaining, find the sum of opponent ratings. The highest total wins. If still tied, eliminate the next lowest rated opponent(s) until a decision is possible. If the tie remains unbroken, decide by lot.

If after eliminating the unrated opponents, the players involved have not all played only against rated opponents remaining, apply the sum of progressive scores. The highest total wins. If still tied, deduct the first round score, and if necessary the second round and so on. If the tie remains unbroken, decide by lot.

13. VISAS

Entry visa will be issued by the Philippine consulates in the respective countries. Participants from countries which do not have Philippine consulates may contact the National Chess Federation of the Philippines for assistance at least **45 days in advance**

14. PAYMENTS

All payments due to the Organizers on account of registration fee and hotel accommodation expenses must be paid in advance to the credit of National Chess Federation of the Philippines with proof thereof (bank transfer certificate) must be sent along with the registration forms.

15. WEATHER

It is dry season in the Philippines in May.

16. CONTACT PERSONS

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Registration Form

ENTRY

Official	Extra Place	Open	Women
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(Tick the appropriate box)

Federation :				
Address :				
E-mail :				
Name of Player :				Male
				Female
Title / ID Number	FIDE Rating	Passport No.	Date of Issue:	Valid Until:
Nationality	Place of Birth		Date of Birth	

Type of accommodation required :	Single Room	Double Room
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Flight Details

Arrival Date :	Time :
Arriving From :	Flight No. :

Depature Date :	Time :
To :	Flight No. :

Name of Responding Official :

Please return this entry form by March 31, 2010 to the following email addresses : E-mail : ncfpsecretariat@yahoo.com ; casto.abundo@gmail.com
