







SACC Chess Championship-2023

(Open & Women)
13-19 June, Kathmandu, Nepal

Regulations

1. Invitation

The Nepal Chess Federation (NCF), under the auspices of the South Asian Chess Council (SACC), Asian Chess Federation (ACF), and International Chess Federation (FIDE), in cooperation with the National Sports Council (NSC), has the honor to invite all SAARC National Chess Federations (Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan & Sri Lanka) affiliated to FIDE to participate in the SACC Chess Championship 2023 scheduled 13-19 June 2023 in Kathmandu, Nepal.

2. Participation

- 2.1 Each National Federation can enter one (1) player in the Open and Women Sections.
- 2.2 Champions of the South Asian Chess Championship 2019, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- 2.3 Additional Player: Organizing Federation shall nominate 1 player in each section. If any player or federation failed to participate in the event the SACC president has the right to nominate/replace the players from any of the SAARC federations.

3. Registration

- 3.1 National Federations should submit their Registration forms by June 5, 2023.
- 3.2 A digital scan of the passport and ID photo of each player and each accompanying person must be sent by email to the Organizing Committee.
- 3.3 All travel expenses must be paid by the participants or their National Federation.
- 3.4 Every participant and accompanying person has to pay the organizers the amount of a \$75 registration fee.
- 3.5 The above amount of \$75 includes accreditation and transport from Kathmandu International Airport to the official hotel and back to the airport.

4. Entry Fees

4.1 In accordance with SACC regulations, an entry fee of \$50 is required for each player.

5. Schedule

Date	Time	Program
13 June, Tuesday		Arrival
13 June, Tuesday	16:00	Opening Ceremony
13 June, Tuesday	20:00	Technical Meeting
14 June, Wednesday	9:00	Round 1
14 June, Wednesday	15:00	Round 2
15 June, Thursday	9:00	Round 3
15 June, Thursday	15:00	Round 4
16 June, Friday	9:00	Round 5
16 June, Friday	15:00	Round 6
17 June, Saturday	9:00	Round 7
17 June, Saturday	15:00	Round 8
18 June, Sunday	9:00	Round 9
18 June, Sunday	14:00	Prize Distribution/Closing
19 June, Monday		Departure

6. Playing Conditions

- 6.1 Championship shall be conducted in the Individual Single Round Robin System.
- 6.2 The time control: 90 minutes with an increment of 30 seconds per move from move 1.
- 6.3 Tie Breaks: The final ranking order of the players shall be determined by the number of points scored. If at the end of the tournament, two or more players are tied for the same place, the tie shall be broken according to the following tie breaks in the order below:
 - a) Direct encounter
 - b) Sonneborn-Berger
 - c) Koya System
 - d) The greater number of wins including forfeits

7. Technical Delegate, Chief Arbiter, and Appeals

- 7.1 The SACC President after consultation with the organizing federation will nominate the Technical Delegate, Chief Arbiter, as well as the necessary assistant arbiters and other officials.
- 7.2 The Chairman of the Appeals Committee shall be nominated by the SACC President in consultation with the organizing federation. The Committee shall be composed of three members, all from different Federations, chosen from among the representatives of national federations present.

- 7.3 No member of the committee shall have the right to decide on questions concerning his own federation. In such cases, the member concerned shall have the right only to partake in the discussions of the committee.
- 7.4 Protests, including protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter or his assistants, must be submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter within fifteen minutes after the completion of the relevant playing session. A protest shall be submitted with an accompanying fee of \$100. If the protest is upheld, the protest fee will be returned otherwise it shall be forfeited to the organizing federation.

8. Prizes

- 8.1 Trophies will be awarded to the champions.
- 8.2 Medals will be awarded to the top 3 players.
- 8.3 Certificate will be awarded to all the participants.
- 8.4 Cash Prize Details:

Position	Open (NRS)	Women (NRS)
Champion	150000	100000
First Runner up	100000	60000
Second Runner Up	50000	40000

9. Hotel Accommodation

- 9.1 Full board will be provided to the players from noon of 13 June to 20 June (breakfast). All invited players are accommodated in double rooms only. Anyone needing single rooms should bear the difference if available.
- 9.2 All accompanying persons are obliged to lodge at the official hotel. And hotel payments must be made in advance.
- 9.3 Cost for full board and lodging (with breakfast, lunch & dinner) for accompanying persons shall be announced later.

10. Visa

10.1 Those who need visas should apply at the Nepalese Embassy in their countries. Send all passport copies to Organizing Committee before 6 June 2023 to email: info@nepalchess.com.

11. Payments

11.1 All payments are to be done to the following Bank account.

Account name: Nepal Chess Federation
Account number: 00201000494802000001

Name of Bank: Nepal Bank Limited

SWIFT: NEBLNPKA

12. Contacts of the Organizing Committee Nepal Chess Federation (NCF)

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Thank you.