**12th BEIRUT INTERNATIONAL OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2025**

The Amicale Notre Dame - Chess Club is glad to invite you to participate in the

“**12th Beirut International Open - Chess Championship**” from 17 to 27 October 2025

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1. **Venue & Schedule: The Championship will be held from 17 t0 27 October 2025**

 **At the Amicale Notre Dame quarters – Frères Furn El Chebback School**

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| Date | Time | Program |
| Friday | 17 Oct | Arrival Day |
| Saturday | 18 Oct | 5:00 P.M | Player’s meeting |
| 5:50 P.M | Opening Ceremony |
| 6:00 P.M | Round 1 |
| Sunday | 19 Oct | 10:30 A.M | Round 2 |
| Sunday | 19 Oct | 6:30 P.M | Round 3 |
| Monday | 20 Oct | 6:30 P.M | Round 4 |
| Tuesday | 21 Oct | 6:30 P.M | Round 5 |
| Wednesday | 22 Oct | 6:30 P.M | Round 6 |
| Thursday | 23 Oct | 6:30 P.M | Round 7 |
| Friday | 24 Oct | 6:30 P.M | Round 8 |
| Saturday | 25 Oct | 4.00 P.M | Round 9 |
| Sunday | 26 Oct |  6:00 P.M Closing Ceremony |

1. **System and Rate of Play**

The Championship will be played in 9 rounds according the Swiss System.

Time control: 90 minutes + 30 seconds per move from the first move.

1. **Tie-Break System**
2. Direct Encounter
3. Buchholz Cut 1; Buchholz Cut 2
4. Number of Victories

NB: All players having the same number of points will share their money prizes equally.

The tie-break systems will be used for ranking and Trophies/Cups distribution.

1. **Applications & Registrations**

The “12th Beirut International Championship” is open to all players regardless of their title or rating.

The application should be returned not later than 12 October 2025 to Mr. Jacques Bedrossian.

**By mail:** **jack.bedrossian60@hotmail.com**

1. **Arbiters:**

The Chief Arbiter: “I.A” Jacques Bedrossian (LBN)

The Deputy Chief Arbiter:

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1. **Prizes: 6000 US $ (six thousand US dollars); 3 Trophies and Medals for all money awards**

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| Ranking | Prize in US $ | Ranking | Prize in US $ |
| 1st Open | **2000 US $** | 1st Female | **300 US $** |
| 2nd Open | **1000 US $** | 2nd Female | **200 US $** |
| 3rd Open | **600 US $** | 3rd Female | **100 US $** |
| 4th Open | **400 US $** | 1st Veterans 65+ | **200 US $** |
| 5th Open | **250 US $** | 1st Veterans 50+ | **200 US $** |
| 1st Under 1800 | **200 US $** | 1st Unrated | **200 US $** |
| 1st Under 1600 | **200 US $** | 1st Youth Under 16 | **150 US $** |

***No double prize*** *award is carried out. All prizes are tax-free.*

1. **Appeals Committee:** The Appeals Committee will be elected during the players meeting.
2. **Tournament Bulletin:** The bulletin will be posted online on our website.
3. **Fees**

The entry fees for the 12th Beirut International Open Championship are as follows:

1. US $ 80 for Unrated players.
2. US $ 50 for Rated players, juniors and women.
3. Free for the following FIDE titles: GM – WGM – IM – WIM - FM

Registration fees must be paid with BOB Finance application. Account name: Amicale CND

If payment is done after 12 October: 10$ additional payment will be apply to the original entry fees.

1. **Accommodation**

The accommodation will be at the hotel “ Tamar – Lancaster” Hazmieh Area – Beirut.

Upon invitation: Free accommodation will be offered for the players holding the titles GM, WGM, IM

Hotel fees are as one Person/Per Night (H.B) in: - Single room: 100$ - Double room: 75$

**All payments for the accommodation must be paid in advance.**

1. **Local Transport:** Airport - Hotel & Hotel - Playing hall will be arranged by the Organizer.
2. **Weather Conditions:** The weather is moderate with temperature usually between 18 to 24 Celsius.
3. **Visas:** Please contact the Lebanese Embassy for a visa if required. Otherwise please contact us.