The 2024 Batang Pinoy Chess Championships are taking place from November 21 to 29,2024 at the Palawan State University Performing Arts Center. These events are organized by the Philippine Sports Commission and the Department of Education in cooperation with the National Chess Federation of the Philippines.

CHESS TOURNAMENT TECHNICAL GUIDELINES

I. ELIGIBILITY

- A. The tournament is open to all Filipino chess players whose age is 17 years old below (titled or untitled) representing their respective LGU's.
- B. Each team (LGU) may be composed of maximum of 6 players and minimum of 2 players per age category (for Batang Pinoy Age Categories: (12AC, 13AC, U14AC, 15AC, 16&17AC).

Following a maximum of 2-player per event. (Events: Standard Chess, Chess 960 & Asean Chess)

C. Each player must be duly certified by the authorized LGU official that he/she is representing. On-site registration will not be accepted.

II. TOURNAMENT FORMAT

- A. The tournament will be conducted in three events
- 1. Standard Chess
- a. Sixty (30) Minutes with 30 seconds increment per move to finish the game.
- b. Recording of moves in Algebraic Notation is mandatory.
- c. Defaulting time is 30 minutes (Running Time) after the official start of the game.
- d. No offer of draw before the Black's 30th move.
- 2. Rapid Chess: 10 Minutes with 5 seconds increment to finish the game.
- 3. Blitz Chess: 3 Minutes with 2 seconds increment to finish the game.
- 4. **Chess 960 Rapid:** 10 Minutes with 5 seconds increment to finish the game.
- **5.** Chess 960 Blitz: 3 Minutes with 2 seconds increment to finish the game.
- 6. **ASEAN Chess Rapid:** 10 Minutes with 5 seconds increment to finish the game.
- **7. ASEAN Chess Blitz:** 3 Minutes with 2 seconds increment to finish the game.
- B. The tournament shall be divided into following divisions and categories.

Batang Pinov (maximum of 6 players/age category) Only 2 players are allowed to play per event.

- 1. **16 17 Years Old Age Category** (Birth year 2008 & 2007)
- a) Boys Category
- b) Girls Category
- 2. **15 Years Old Age Category** (Birth year 2009)
- c) Boys Category
- d) Girls Category
- 3. 14 Years Old Age Category (Birth year 2010)
- a) Boys Category
- b) Girls Category
- 4. 13 Years Old Age Category (Birth year 2011)
- a) Boys Category

b) Girls Category

- 5. **12 Years Old Age Category** (Birth year 2012)
- a) Boys Category
- b) Girls Category

III. TOURNAMENT RULES

- A. The tournament shall be governed by the FIDE Laws of Chess.
- B. Five to Seven Rounds depending on the number of participants and other circumstances affecting the progress of the events. The number of rounds or games shall be decided by the Tournament Director as part of the Organizing Committee.
- C. The following tie break systems (in descending order of priority) shall be adopted to determine the final ranking.

1. INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

- 1.1 Direct Encounter
- 1.2 Buchholz Cut 1
- 1.3 Buchholz
- 1.4 S.B. System
- 1.5 The greater number of wins including forfeits
- 1.6 The greater number of wins with Black pieces

2. TEAM RESULTS

- 2.1 Combined Buchholz Cut 1 Tie Breaks of the members of the team
- 2.2 Combined Buchholz Tie Breaks of the members of the team
- 2.3 Combined S.B. Tie Breaks of the members of the team
- 2.4 Combined Number of Wins of the member of the team (forfeits counted)
- 2.5 Combined Number of Wins with Black Pieces of the member of the team (forfeits counted)
- D. The use of mobile phone or any electronic means of communication is not allowed during a game. A player who will violate the aforementioned rule shall lose his/her game by forfeiture.
- E. The starting rank of players shall be based on the latest FIDE Rating List.

IV. SCHEDULE

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V. SCHEDULE OF GAMES (Subject to change)

Day 0 - Arrival, Solidarity Meeting and Final Confirmation of Entries

Day 1 - Standard Chess Round

Day 2 - Standard Chess Round

Awarding Ceremony

Day 3 -

Rapid Chess Tournament (Morning)

Blitz Chess Tournament (Afternoon) /

Awarding Ceremony

Day 4 -

Chess 960 Rapid Tournament (Morning);

Chess 960 Blitz Tournament (Afternoon) /

Awarding Ceremony

Day 5 -

ASEAN Chess Rapid Tournament (Morning)

ASEAN Chess Blitz Tournament (Afternoon) /

Awarding Ceremony

Day 6 - Departure

VI. AWARDS (FOR EACH CATEGORY)

A. Individual Medals will be awarded to the top three in each event and category.

- B. Team Awards
- 1. Medals will be awarded to the top three (3) teams in each category and event.
- 2. Medals will be awarded based on the total scores of the two (2) players of an LGU.

LGU's with only one player will not be eligible to participate for team awards.

- C. A total number of medals for Individual Awards: 70-Gold, 70-Silver, and 70-Bronze
- D. A total number of medals for **Team Awards**: 140-Gold, 140-Silver, and 140-Bronze
- E. A total number of medals for Individuals and Team Award: 630 Medals

Provisions:

- 1. Tournament must be played in an air conditioned venue.
- 2. The Host City or Host Province must also provide the needed number of tables and chairs, soundsystem for each venue, security and proper lighting for the venue.
- 2. The number of Technical Officials recommended by the National Chess Federation of the Philippines (NCFP) should be at least 50 TOs.
- 3. The number of Local Arbiters / Volunteer Arbiters coming from the Host City or Host Province will be determined by the number of registered participants.

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As of November 15, 2024