

1st MyInvestor Casablanca Chess Festival

TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

Dates: From 5 to 12 September 2026.

The tournament is part of the 20th Aragonese Chess Circuit 2026 in Category A1 and is valid for FIDE and FADA rating and title norms.

PLAYING VENUE

Stadium Casablanca, Vía Ibérica 69-77, Zaragoza.

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SCHEDULE

Round 1	Day 5 17:00	Round 6	Day 9 17:00
Round 2	Day 6 10:00	Round 7	Day 10 17:00
Round 3	Day 6 17:00	Round 8	Day 11 17:00
Round 4	Day 7 17:00	Round 9	Day 12 10:00
Round 5	Day 8 17:00	Closing ceremony	Day 12 15:30

SYSTEM AND TIME CONTROL

9-round Swiss System (Dutch).

The time control shall be 90 minutes plus a 30-second cumulative increment per move, starting from move one.

The initial ranking shall be established according to FIDE rating. If a player has no FIDE rating, FADA rating shall be used and, finally, alphabetical order.

Pairings for the rounds shall be made using the "Swiss Manager" program and shall be published daily at Stadium Casablanca and online, on chess-results.com and on the tournament website <https://stadiumcasablanca.com/openmyinvestor/>

Pairings for the first round shall be published, at the latest, at 10:00 a.m. on the same day.

Pursuant to Article 8.7 of the Laws of Chess, players are responsible for recording the result and signing the scoresheets at the end of the game. Once the result has been signed, it shall be final for the preparation of the next pairing, unless the Chief Arbiter decides otherwise. Any error in the result must be reported to the arbiter before the pairing of the next round.

Pursuant to Article 11.10, the player retains the right to appeal any arbitral decision; however, if the error in the result is detected after the publication of the new pairing, the erroneous result shall only be corrected for rating purposes, while the published pairing shall be maintained in order to avoid prejudice to third parties.

DEFAULTS

The clocks shall be started at the times indicated for the beginning of each round. Once 30 minutes of waiting time have elapsed, the game shall be declared lost for all players who have not appeared at the board, except for the first round, for which the waiting time shall be 1 hour. A player who does not appear for a round without justified cause shall be eliminated from the tournament. Players who, for any reason, need to be absent from any round must inform the arbitral team during the previous round. Eliminated players shall lose all their rights.

Byes: Players may request a maximum of two (2) zero-point byes. Byes for rounds 1 and 2 must be requested before round 1 by writing to the official tournament email address openmyinvestorstc@stadiumcasablanca.com. For the remaining rounds, a bye for a given round must be requested in writing from the arbitral team before the end of the previous round, and the request must include both the specific round requested and the player's signature.

TIE-BREAKS

In order to prepare the final standings, the following list of tie-breaks shall be applied in strict order:

- Buchholz Total -2 (BH-C2)
- Buchholz Total (BH)
- Average of the opponents' tournament performances (APRO)
- Median Buchholz (BH-M1)
- Average Buchholz of Opponents (AOB)

For Buchholz purposes, unplayed games shall be computed in accordance with C.07, applicable from 1 March 2026.

REGISTRATION

- General: €50
- Players born in 2012 and later: €40.

From 20 August:

- General: €60
- Players born in 2012 and later: €50.

Registration deadline: 2 September at 22:00.

Players holding the title of GM, WGM, IM or WIM, or with an Elo rating equal to or higher than 2350 on 1 September, shall have free entry. If they complete the tournament, they shall be given the option to open a MyInvestor account with a free €25 remuneration.

Spanish players must hold a current FEDA licence. All players must have a FIDE ID code, without which they shall not be allowed to participate in the tournament.

To register, players must send an email to: openmyinvestorstc@stadiumcasablanca.com, providing the following details: name and surname, club, FIDE ID code, and a contact telephone number and/or email address. A POS payment link shall be sent to that email address and, once payment has been made, the player shall be given the option to open a MyInvestor account with a free €25 remuneration.

Registration in the tournament entails authorisation for the organisation to use the player's personal data for advertising, organisational, photographic, dissemination and similar purposes.

Participants authorise the publication of their data in the different media deemed appropriate for the dissemination of the event.

Participants must have arranged their own healthcare coverage in case they need it, as the Organisation shall not be responsible for it.

Participation in the Tournament implies acceptance of these regulations.

The Organisation reserves the right of admission to participate in the Tournament.

Maximum capacity: 250 players.

PRIZE LIST

The total prize fund amounts to €15,000.

GENERAL CLASSIFICATION		Women	RATING CATEGORIES	
1st - €2100 and Trophy	11th - €300	1st - €300 and Trophy	2150 - 2000	1799 - 1600
2nd - €1700 and Trophy	12th - €200	2nd - €200	1st - €300	1st - €300
3rd - €1300 and Trophy	13th - €150	3rd - €100	2nd - €200	2nd - €200
4th - €1000	14th - €125		3rd - €100	3rd - €100
5th - €900	15th - €125		1999 - 1800	Under 1600
6th - €800	16th - €100		1st - €300	1st - €300
7th - €700	17th - €100		2nd - €200	2nd - €200
8th - €600	18th - €100		3rd - €100	3rd - €100
9th - €500	19th - €100	PLAYERS FEDERATED IN ARAGON		
10th - €400	20th - €100	1st - €300	2nd - €200	3rd - €100

Prizes and trophies shall not be cumulative. In the event of equal amounts, the order established for the prizes shall apply (general, women's, rating categories and players federated in Aragon).

Method of payment: Prizes shall be paid into the MyInvestor account opened together with registration for the tournament.

All amounts shall be subject to the withholding established by current legislation.

CLOSING CEREMONY

Saturday 12 at 15:30 at the playing venue.

Failure of a prize-winning player to attend said ceremony shall imply express waiver of the prize awarded to him/her.

APPEALS COMMITTEE

The Appeals Committee shall be composed of one member of the Tournament Directorate and two tournament players as full members. Two further players shall also be elected as substitutes in cases of conflict of interest. Decisions shall be taken by simple majority and shall be final for all purposes.

During the course of the first round, the organisation shall choose the players who will form part of the Appeals Committee, preferably titled arbiters, two of whom shall act as substitutes for conflicts in which any full member is involved.

Any appeal against an arbitral decision must be addressed to the Appeals Committee in writing and no later than 30 minutes after the occurrence of the event giving rise to the appeal, with a deposit of €100 lodged together with the appeal. This amount shall only be returned if the decision is favourable to the appellant.

DISCIPLINARY REGULATIONS

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

In accordance with Article 11.3.2 of the FIDE Laws of Chess, players are strictly prohibited from having mobile phones or any other electronic communication device, or any device capable of analysing chess, in the playing venue without the express authorisation of the Chief Arbiter. The organisation shall provide a cloakroom service for leaving phones at the entrance to the venue.

Players in the open are allowed to bring electronic devices into the playing venue provided that they are completely switched off (not on silent mode or airplane mode) and kept in a closed bag or backpack.

Said bag must remain throughout the game on the floor, next to the player's table or under his/her chair, in a place visible to the arbitral team. It is strictly forbidden to carry the bag when leaving the playing area (for example, to go to the restroom or to the rest area).

It is forbidden to handle the bag or its contents without the supervision and prior permission of a member of the arbitral team.

In accordance with Article 11.3.3 of the FIDE Laws of Chess, the arbiter has the authority to require the inspection of the player, his/her belongings or his/her body in private. The player may be assisted by a witness of his/her choice and the inspection shall be carried out by a person of the same sex. Refusal to cooperate shall result in the immediate loss of the game and possible expulsion from the tournament.

If during the game it becomes evident (by sound, light or vibration) that a player has a prohibited device in the playing venue, or if it is discovered that he/she is carrying one on his/her person, the player shall immediately lose the game.

Any serious breach of these measures shall be reported to the FIDE Ethics and Disciplinary Commission and to the FIDE Fair Play Commission for possible additional sanctions.

To guarantee the integrity of the tournament, the transmission of games via the internet (electronic boards) shall be carried out with a 15-minute delay, in accordance with FIDE security recommendations for international-category events.

FIDE anti-cheating regulations shall apply in the tournament and, therefore, checks may be carried out at any time during the tournament.

In compliance with the guidelines of the FIDE Fair Play Commission for tournaments valid for title norms, the use of watches of any kind (smart watches as well as analogue or digital watches) is prohibited in the playing area. These must be kept under the same conditions as mobile phones.

A FIDE complaint form shall be available to the players.

RULES OF CONDUCT

Throughout the competition, players must behave with the highest standards of sportsmanship and decency both inside and outside the playing venue.

During the game, players are prohibited from using notes, sources of information, advice, mobile phones, electronic means of communication or analysis, or from carrying out such analysis on another board. The organisation shall report breaches of these measures to FIDE.

A FIDE complaint form shall be available to the players.

Participants must respect ethical standards of conduct, both during the playing session and outside it; actions that breach ethical standards of conduct, the FIDE Code of Ethics, as well as the provisions of the regulations of the Spanish Chess Federation and these Regulations, may be sanctioned with expulsion from the tournament, with the loss of all rights, including any prizes to which they may be entitled, and their conduct shall be reported to the corresponding Federations for possible subsequent sanction.

In accordance with the FIDE anti-cheating guidelines, events valid for the achievement of player norms require higher levels of protection. In compliance with these guidelines, this tournament shall be monitored by the FIDE detection tool, to which all broadcast games and the games related to the achievement of player norms shall be sent, together with a percentage of randomly selected games.

Food may not be brought into the Playing Hall. Closed bottles are permitted under the table.

Once the game has finished, players must leave the pieces and chairs as they found them at the beginning of the game.

Smoking is not permitted in the Playing Hall.

Players shall not be allowed to leave the Playing Hall without the Arbiter's permission while their game is in progress, nor to enter the analysis room before finishing their game.

Photographs may be taken (without flash) during the first 5 minutes of each round, except by the Organisation.

This Tournament shall be governed by these Regulations, the Laws of Chess and the current FEDA and FIDE regulations, rules to which all participants are subject throughout the competition. Failure to comply with any of these Regulations may result in the loss of the game and/or even expulsion from the tournament.

The definitive regulations shall be published in the Playing Hall in Spanish.

In the event of any discrepancy between translations, the Spanish version shall apply.

Participation in the tournament implies full acceptance of these regulations.

CHIEF ARBITER

International Arbiter Rubén Cajo Esteban

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR / ORGANISER

International Master Diego Adla