

International Draughts Federation (IDF)

Rules of official competitions in draughts-64

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1. The International Draughts Federation (IDF), hereinafter – IDF, organized and conducts all official competitions in draughts-64.
2. The immediate holding of all competitions are assigned to the national federations, organizations in draughts-64 and the Organizing Committee on the basis of competitive procedures and decisions of the IDF Board. Conditions of the IDF official competitions and application form are approved by the IDF Board 16.12.2016, 04.12.2017 and published on the official website www.idf64.org
3. All competitions are conducted at the expenses of the organizing authority, sponsors of competitions, tournament fees and sending organizations.
4. International Draughts Federation provides overall management of the competition, communication with the Organizing Committee and the federations, an invitation of the participants and awarding of winners by official awards.
5. In all official competitions only representatives of national federations – the IDF members are eligible to participate. As an exception, by decision of the IDF Board, players may be invited from countries with no national draughts federations, or were national federations are not IDF members.
6. All championships are conducted in accordance with the IDF Rules of official competitions and the IDF Rules of the game in draughts-64.
7. Nominations of Main Arbiters are approved by the IDF Board on by submission of the Technical Committee. Nominations of the referees are approved by the IDF representative, which is appointed on the tournament by the IDF Board.

8. The official competitions in draughts-64.

- 8.1. World Men Championship
- 8.2. World Women Championship
- 8.3. World Team Championship
- 8.4. Personal-team World Youth Championship among boys and girls in age groups:
 - juniors 26 year and younger (up to 27 years old)
 - juniors 19 year and younger (up to 20 years old)
 - cadets 16 year and younger (up to 17 years old)
 - mini-cadets 13 year and younger (up to 14 years old)
 - hopes 10 year and younger (up to 11 years old)
 - youth hopes 8 year and younger (up to 9 years old)
- 8.5. World Youth Team Championship
- 8.6. World Veteran's Championship
- 8.7. World Championship among people with disabilities
- 8.8. Matches for the world title
- 8.9. World Cup
- 8.10. Olympiad in draughts-64
- 8.11. Youth Olympiad in draughts-64
- 8.12. European Men Championship
- 8.13. European Women Championship
- 8.14. European Team Championship
- 8.15. Personal-team European Youth Championship among boys and girls in age groups:
 - juniors 26 year and younger (up to 27 years old)
 - juniors 19 year and younger (up to 20 years old)
 - cadets 16 year and younger (up to 17 years old)
 - mini-cadets 13 year and younger (up to 14 years old)
 - hopes 10 year and younger (up to 11 years old)

- youth hopes 8 year and younger (up to 9 years old)
- 8.16. European Veteran's Championship
- 8.17. European Championship for people with disabilities
- 8.18. Asian Men Championship
- 8.19. Asian Women Championship
- 8.20. Asian Youth Championship among boys and girls in age groups:
 - juniors 23 year and younger (up to 24 years old)
 - juniors 19 year and younger (up to 20 years old)
 - cadets 16 year and younger (up to 17 years old)
 - mini-cadets 13 year and younger (up to 14 years old)
 - hopes 10 year and younger (up to 11 years old)
 - youth hopes 8 year and younger (up to 9 years old)
 - youth hopes 8 years and younger
- 8.21. African Men Championship
- 8.22. African Women Championship
- 8.23. Pan American Men Championship
- 8.24. Pan American Women Championship
- 8.25. International competitions under the auspices of International Draughts Federation included to the official calendar of events.

9. Official titles.

- 9.1. Winners of the Championships are awarded titles in the categories men, women, veterans, peoples with disabilities, juniors (boys and girls), boys and girls of the corresponding age category:
 - 9.1.1. World Draughts-64 Champion
 - 9.1.2. World Draughts-64 Champion in Rapid
 - 9.1.3. World Draughts-64 Champion in Blitz
 - 9.1.4. European / Asian / African / Pan American Draughts-64 Champion
 - 9.1.5. European / Asian / African / Pan American Draughts-64 Champion in Rapid
 - 9.1.6. European / Asian / African / Pan American Draughts-64 Champion in Blitz
- 9.2. The winners of the World Cup receive titles in categories men, women and veterans:
 - 9.2.1. World Cup winner in draughts-64
 - 9.2.2. World Cup winner in Rapid game of draughts-64
 - 9.2.3. World Cup winner in Blitz game of draughts-64
- 9.3. Winner of Olympiad receive the title: "Champion of the Olympiad in draughts-64"
- 9.4. IDF can assign other titles, depending on the type of competition.

10. Types of competition and time control.

- 10.1. Competitions are held in three categories: with the classic time control, rapid game and blitz game.
- 10.2. Time control.
 - 10.2.1. In competition with the classic time control can be used up next time control:
 - 45 minutes till the end of the game plus 30 seconds per move
 - 45 minutes till the end of the game plus 15 seconds per move
 - 45 minutes till the end of the game plus 10 seconds per move
 - 40 minutes till the end of the game plus 10 seconds per move
 - 30 minutes till the end of the game plus 10 seconds per move
 - 25 minutes till the end of the game plus 05 or 10 seconds per move
 - 20 minutes till the end of the game plus 10 seconds per move
 - 10.2.2. In the competition for a rapid game:
 - 10 minutes till the end of the game plus 3 or 5 seconds per move
 - 07 minutes till the end of the game plus 3 or 5 seconds per move
 - 05 minutes till the end of the game plus 3 or 5 seconds per move
 - 10.2.3. In the competition for blitz game:
 - 3 minutes till the end of the game plus 2 or 3 seconds per move.

By decision of the IDF Board other time control in each category may be established according to separate regulations.

11. The system of holding.

11.1. All competitions are held by the system of micro-match from two games.

11.2. All competitions are held with the classic arrangement of the starting position (classic draughts) or with a draw for the initial moves and positions.

11.2.1. Competitions with the classic arrangement of the starting position are held among players under 14 years of age or in accordance with the Regulations on competitions.

11.2.2. In competitions with a draw for the initial moves and positions the drawing is held before the beginning of the first game of micro-match. The drawing is mandatory for both games of micro-match.

The following drawing options may apply:

- Initial moves and positions according to the table approved on 16.12.2016 with changes of 03.07.2017 (international/Russian version of draughts-64);
- Initial moves and positions according to the table approved on 20.07.2017 (Brazilian version of draughts-64);
- Moves and positions according to the table approved on 05.05.2016;
- The first move of white and black;
- The first move of white.

11.3. All personal championships are held by the Swiss system in 7-9 rounds or on a two-stage mixed system on separate regulations.

11.4. It is allowed for a small number of participants to hold competitions by round robin system.

11.5. By decision of the IDF Board other competition systems and drawing options may be applied.

12. Participants.

12.1. All personal competitions are held separately for men and women (boys and girls) in the following age groups:

1. Men and women – no age limit
2. Juniors 26 year and younger (up to 27 years old)
3. Juniors 19 year and younger (up to 20 years old)
4. Cadets 16 year and younger (up to 17 years old)
5. Mini-cadets 13 year and younger (up to 14 years old)
6. Hopes 10 year and younger (up to 11 years old)
7. Youth hopes 8 year and younger (up to 9 years old)
8. Veterans, men – 50 years and older (50+)
9. Veterans, men – 60 years and older (60+)
10. Veterans, women – 50 years and older (50+)

12.2. To participate in the personal World Championships among men and women are allowed:

12.2.1. Classic game:

- Winners of the previous World Championship
- Winners of the World Cup of the year preceding the Championship
- 1-6 place of European Championship, qualifying for the World Championship
- 1-3 place of the other continental championships, qualifying for the World Championship
- Other winners of qualifying tournaments for the World Championship
- Players from national federations – not more than three participants from country
- 2 players from sponsors
- 2 players by the decision of the IDF Board
- Additional players from the organizers by the decision of the IDF Board.

12.2.2. Blitz and Rapid

- Players under item 12.2.1.
- Players from national federations in accordance with the Championship Regulations

12.3. To participate in the personal European Championships among men and women are allowed:

- Winners of the previous European Championship
- Winners of the World Cup of the year preceding the Championship
- Players from national federations in accordance with the Regulations of the Championship
- 2 players from sponsors
- 2 players by the decision of the IDF Board
- Additional players from the organizers by the decision of the IDF Board.

12.4. Admission of players to participate in the individual championships of Asia / Africa / Pan America is on separate regulations.

12.5. To participate in the personal World (European) Youth Championships among juniors, cadets, mini-cadets, hopes and youth hopes are allowed winners of previous championship, players declared by the national federations.

12.6. To participate in the World (European) Championships among veterans are allowed players declared by the national federations who have reached the age specified in the relevant age category as at the start date of the competition (paragraph 12.1, sections 8, 9, 10).

12.7. World (European) Team Championship.

Team competitions are held separately among men's and women's teams. Admission of teams is on separate regulations.

The composition of the teams:

- 6 players for men's team (3 players + 3 extra players)
- 4 players for women's team (2 players + 2 extra players)

Only one invited player can to be represented in a composition of men's or women's team except teams of Russia, Ukraine, Belarus and Lithuania (on separate regulations).

12.8. World Youth Team Championship.

Team competitions are held separately among teams of boys and girls.

The admission of teams is on separate regulations.

The composition of the team is 3 players - one player in the age groups cadets, mini-cadets and hopes for boys and for girls. In each age group can take part boys and girls of younger ages. Girls can play for the team of boys.

12.9. Olympiads in draughts-64, World Cup, World Championships for people with disabilities are held on separate regulations.

12.10. Matches for the world title are held on separate regulations. Participants of the match are in order of priority:

- 12.10.1. Previous world champion invites on match the current world champion.
- 12.10.2. Silver medalist at the last World Championship invites on match the current world champion.
- 12.10.3. Free call. Any player from the top-50 invites on the match the current world champion.

12.11. Other events may be held by the decision of the IDF Board (on separate regulations).

13. Requirements for participants.

13.1. Participants are required to observe Rules and Regulations of the competition, IDF Code of ethics, decision of the IDF Board.

13.2. Participants are obliged to comply with the dress code - have a sports form during the competition, or clothing appropriate to the rank of the competition; as well as clothing for formal events (opening, closing etc.) - suit and light shirt for men, dress or pantsuit for women.

13.3. Participants are required to accommodate in official places provided by the organizers the entire period of the competition.

13.4. Participants who are not registered to participate in the competition on time are not allowed to participate in the competition.

13.5. Participants, spectators and coaches are required to turn off their mobile phones in the games room, in case of phone call participant loses micro-match.

13.6. Participant who is late to the game is booked. If the participant was late by more than the first time control in the first game of micro-match, he gets 0 points in the micro-match. Repeated lateness of the game may be penalized up to expulsion from the tournament.

13.7. Participant who allowed incorrect behavior gets caution or a warning. Warning from the Main Arbiter or the chairman of the Jury of Appeal entails a fine ranging from 0 to 100% of prize money promised to participants or other sanctions.

13.8. Participants are required to attend at the opening and closing ceremony in compliance with the dress code. In case of absence the closing ceremony they will be deprived all official awards. Awards not sent and not transmitted.

13.9. Protests are served in the panel of arbiters for half an hour after the end of the round, if the regulations of competition do not provide another; when filing the protest a deposit in the amount of 100 euros is given, in case the protest is upheld the deposit is returned. After this period the protests are not accepted and are not considered. Any protest after the deadline is considered as incorrect behavior with the use of sanctions.

14. Determination of winners.

14.1. Places in individual competition are determined by the most amount of points scored by the participants. For the victory is given 2 points, for a draw 1, for a loss 0.

14.2. In case of a tie score of two or more participants their places are defined by the following criteria:

14.2.1. Swiss system, depending of pairing program:

Pairing program Tournament manager:

For even number of participants:

- the amount of points scored by all competitors (Buchholz coefficient);
- the amount of points scored by opponents minus the lowest result (truncated Solkoff coefficient);
- the amount of points scored by opponents, excluding the 2 lowest results, 3 lowest results, etc.
- in case of equality of all criteria – match before the first victory with shortened time control (special regulations).

For an odd number of participants:

- the amount of points scored by opponents minus the lowest result (truncated Solkoff coefficient);
- the amount of points scored by all competitors (Buchholz coefficient);
- the amount of points scored by opponents, excluding the 2 lowest results, 3 lowest results, etc.
- in case of equality of all criteria – match before the first victory with shortened time control (special regulations).

Pairing program Chess Arbiter for draughts:

For even number of participants:

- amount of points scored by all competitors (Buchholz coefficient);
- amount of points scored by opponents, excluding the lowest result, 2 lowest results, 3 lowest results, etc.
- in case of equality of all criteria – match before the first victory with shortened time control (special regulations).

For an odd number of participants:

- amount of points scored by opponents, excluding the lowest result, 2 lowest results, 3 lowest results, etc.
- amount of points scored by all competitors (Buchholz coefficient);
- in case of equality of all criteria – match before the first victory with shortened time control (special regulations).

14.2.2. Round robin system:

- Sonnenborn-Berger or Shmulian coefficient;
- result of a personal game;
- best results with other participants in the order of their places;
- in case of equality of all criteria – match before the first victory with shortened time control (special regulations).

14.3. In personal-team youth competitions places of the teams are determined:

14.3.1. By the most amount of points scored by twelve best participants (one from each age group up to 27, 20, 17, 14, 11, 9 year old among boys and girls) in the classic program.

14.3.2. In the team qualification separately for boys and girls by the most amount of points scored by six best participants (one from each age group up to 27, 20, 17, 14, 11, 9 year old among boys or girls) in the classic program.

14.3.3. In the case of equality of points of two or more teams, places of teams are determined by the lowest amount of places occupied by members of the team.

14.4. In personal-team competitions among men and women places of teams are determined:

14.4.1. By the most amount of points scored by 3 best players from the country in men competitions (the team must have at least 2 players); 2 best players from the country in women competitions.

14.4.2. In the case of equality of points of two or more teams, places of teams are determined by the highest place occupied by the best player of the team.

14.5. Team competitions.

14.5.1. Each participant is given for the victory in the match 2 points, for a draw 1 point and for a loss 0 point. Team places are determined by the highest amount of points scored by all members of the team.

14.5.2. In case of equality of points, the teams' places are determined:

- according to 14.2.1 for the competition on the Swiss system;
- according to 14.2.2 for round robin competition;
- according to the system for the victory 2 points, for a draw 1 point, for losing 0 points to each team in each match (team points).

- by the best result on the 1st, 2nd, etc. boards.

14.5.3. By decision of the IDF Board another scoring system may be applied.

14.5.4. The team that wins all the matches, but finished 2nd in points, is entitled to an additional match for 1st place. In the event of a tie in this match, 1st place is awarded to the team with the most points in the main tournament.

15. Awards

15.1. Winners of personal championships are awarded by official medals and diplomas, cups from the organizers.

15.2. In personal-team youth competitions: teams - prize winners in overall team classification (6 boys plus 6 girls) are awarded cups and diplomas, members of the teams – diplomas. Teams - prize winners in the team classification among boys and girls, as well as members of these teams are awarded diplomas.

15.3. In personal -team competitions among men and women: teams - prize winners as well as members of these teams are awarded diplomas.

15.4. In team competition: teams - prize winners are awarded cups and diplomas, members of the teams – medals and diplomas.

15.5. Additional prizes are established by the organizers in accordance with the Conditions of IDF official competitions.

16. Financial conditions.

16.1. All IDF official competitions are held with the payment of tournament fee for participation.

16.2. Established the size of tournament fees for each participant.

16.2.1. World Championship.

Age category	Fee, Euro			Remark
	Classic	Rapid	Blitz	
Men	100	100		players on item 12.2
	180			
Women	80	80		players on item 12.2
	150			
Boys and girls up to 27, 20, 17, 14, 11, 9 year old	30	30		3 players from country on item12.4.
	50			3 players from country on item 12.4., champions of the previous championship

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	45	45		other players on item 12.4.
	75			
Teams	60	60	60	for the men's team on item 12.6.
	160/110 (for 2 categories)			
	40	40	40	for the women's team on item 12.6.
	110/75 (for 2 categories)			
Youth teams	30	30	30	for the team of boys or girls on item 12.7.
Veterans	30	-----	20	players on item 12.5.
	40			

16.2.2. European Championship

Age category	Fee, Euro Category			Remark
	Classic	Rapid	Blitz	
Men	60	60		3 winners of the previous championship, 3 winners of the World Cup 3 players from the country on item 12.3.
	110			
	90	90		other players on item 12.3.
	170			
Women	60	60		players on item 12.3.
	110			
Boys and girls up to 27, 20, 17, 14, 11, 9 year old	30	30		3 winners of the previous championship, 3 players from the country on item 12.4.
	50			
	45	45		other players on item 12.4.
	75			
Teams	60	60	60	for the men's team on item 12.6.
	160/110 (for 2 categories)			
	40	40	40	for the women's team on item 12.6.
	110/75 (for 2 categories)			
Veterans	30	----	20	players on item 12.5
	40			

16.2.3. Other official events

Category	Fee, Euro	Remark
World Cup	50	On separate regulations

17. The fee for the right to host.

Organizers have to pay to the International Draughts Federation before the event fee for the right to host:

- World Championships among men and women, match for the world title - 5000 euros
- European Championship among men and women - 3000 euros
- Stage of World Cup - 200 euros
- Other World and Continental Championships - 200 euros
- International tournaments under the auspices of IDF - 50 euros
- Youth Championships - 0 euros

18. Costs of hosting of competition and admission of participants are in accordance with Conditions of the IDF official competition in 2019-2020 approved by the IDF Board from 15.12.2018.

Payment of expenses for the admission of participants (accommodation and meals) is carried out only to participants from national organizations - - IDF members, what do not have financial debts to IDF. Admission is provided only to players participating in all three programs.

19. Applications.

Applications for participation in official competitions are submitted to the IDF office on e-mail: office@idf64.org within the time specified in the Regulations of the competition. Applications submitted late will not be considered.

20. Any changes to these rules shall be permitted only by the IDF General Meeting or by the IDF Board.