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## THE 1<sup>st</sup> AFRICA UNIVERSITY MIND SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIP

28<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> November 2020

### DRAUGHTS

### REGULATIONS

1. The event is organized and owned by the Federation of Africa University Sports (FASU) will be hosted on the <https://www.playelephant.com> platform.
2. The competitions will be played on individual basis with separate men and ladies competitions.
3. Each university will present a maximum of 6 men and 6 female players.
4. The best 4 players among men and 4 among women for each university will be used to rank the universities.
5. The type of draughts to play will be **poolcheckers**.
6. The tournament will be hosted on <https://playelephant.com>. Players will be required to register on the playelephant.com platform and get used to playing draughts on it and also learn to access tournaments on it before the actual date of the tournament.
7. All the players to represent their universities should register using the attached excel form.
8. Each university should submit in its official logo to be displayed alongside the players' names.
9. The Ladies championship will be played on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2020 starting at 11.00 a.m. (Nairobi time) while the Men championship on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2020 starting at 11.00 a.m. (Nairobi time).
10. A link into the tournament will be provided to the players and spectators at least 2 days before the date of the tournament and one will be in position to check and ensure that is able to access the tournament before the date of the tournament. When you get to the tournament through the link, click on the word 'Register' (it is highlighted in green) and follow the instructions that follow. The platform will indicate that you have successfully registered upon registration. A time is displayed at the top of the screen indicating the time left to the start of the tournament. All players should endeavour to register into the tournament at least 30 minutes before the start to avoid or overcome network disruptions at the last minute. However, the platform allows any pre-registered player to access the tournament and take part in it even when he or she is late but such a player will score zero for the rounds missed.
11. The International Draughts Federation rules for draughts64 will be used and these rules can be accessed under the section for documents at <https://idf64.org/rulesregulations/>. Note that in poolcheckers, a piece that has been crowned cannot capture immediately a distant piece (as is the case with Russian draughts) but waits for the next turn. There is also no majority capture rule in poolcheckers as is the case with Brazilian draughts. The scoring by the playelephant.com platform will be adjusted to reflect the scoring rules of IDF.

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12. The tournament will be played on a Swiss System basis for 9 rounds. Each round will consist of two games.
13. The duration of each game for a player will be 5 minutes and 3 seconds per move.
14. Once a tournament has started, the player should not leave the platform until after 9 rounds (end of tournament); pairing for the next round is done automatically after all the games in a running round are finished.
15. At the end of the tournament, one can click on rankings at the right top of the screen to know how he or she has performed.
16. Inability to play a game by loss of network or time running out will be an automatic loss for the player.
17. Any cheating by use of software or external assistance is discouraged and any player identified will be disqualified from the tournament. Arbiters will be examining the different tables and game records during the tournament to look out for possible cheating. Players suspected to have cheated will be subjected to specific interviews conducted by arbiters and grandmasters and a decision will be made thereafter. A ruling made on suspected cheating by the arbiters will be final and cannot therefore be appealed. In keeping up with the spirit of sports and the honesty expected to be gained as one engages in mind games, all players are asked to exercise maximum integrity during play.
18. **A trial tournament** will be run on <https://www.playelephant.com> **on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2020** at 11.00 am (Nairobi time) for the players to accustom to playing tournaments on the platform. Players intending to take part in the trial tournament should indicate this at the time they will be submitting in their names for registration for the main tournament. Both men and ladies will play in the same trial tournament.
19. Inquiries about these regulations can be sent to [vlangin@yandex.ru](mailto:vlangin@yandex.ru) and copied to [dandavidisabirye@gmail.com](mailto:dandavidisabirye@gmail.com).

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