



EUROPEAN YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP UNDER 10/12/14/16/18 2008



GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. Invitation

The Montenegro Chess Federation (from now on MCF) has the pleasure to invite all European Chess Federations affiliated to FIDE and ECU to participate at the European Youth Chess Championship for 2008, *and the 2008 European under-16 and under-18 Chess Championship in Herceg Novi, Montenegro* (located on Adriatic Coast approximately 110 km southwest from capital Podgorica) from the 14th September (arrival) to 25th September 2008. (departure).

2. Participation

2.1. Each federation can register one (1) player in each of the under 10, 12, 14, 16 and 18 (boys and girls) categories, totaling a maximum of ten (10) players ("invited players").

2.2. The players placed 1-3 in the previous European Youth Championship will have the personal right to participate in the tournament of the corresponding age-category or a higher age-category if they fulfill the conditions that they didn't reached the age of 10, 12, 14, 16 or 18 years, respectively, by January 1st of the year in which the tournament will commence. This privilege may be exercised once exclusively in the subsequent year following the year of qualification.

2.3. According to the tournament rules one player from each of the following ten federations have the extra right to participate due to their place in the previous championship. These Federations are:

1) *Russia* ; 2) *Poland*; 3) *Ukraine* ; 4) *France* ; 5) *Spain* ; 6) *Azerbaijan* ; 7) *Armenia*
8) *Georgia* ; 9) *Turkey* ; 10) *Germany*

2.4 In order to ensure proper tournament standards, all invited players and extra players must submit their registrations through their national federations in order to reach MCF before August 10, 2008 (registration deadline). Entry form is attached. It should be filled and sent back to organization.

2.5 Any Federation can register additional players as well.

2.6 All participants including parents, coaches, observers and relatives are obliged to stay in official hotels. Access to playing areas, venues and the hotels will be allowed only to people accredited by the organization.

3. ECU Fees

3.1. In accordance with ECU regulations, a 65 € entry fee is required for each invited player, and 130 € for each extra player (those who play as “open” participants).

3.2. According to the new ECU regulations, federations are obliged to make payment of ECU fees (article 3.1) before the start of the second round.

4. Registration

4.1 Entry forms must be filled in and returned to the MCF not later than August 10, by fax or mail stamped by the Federation, also by official E Mail. This date is the registration deadline.

4.2 The complete registration form must include surname/s, first name/s, ID number, FIDE rating and title, and passport number of each player. It must also state clearly the precise category in which each player will participate i.e. open or girls. It must also include the name and telephone / e-mail / fax number of the Chief of Delegation and of the person in charge of the Federation.

4.3 Players will not be paired until all their registration details have been fulfilled.

5. Travel details

5.1 Travel expenses for transfers must be paid by all participants as follows

a) *Podgorica airport – Herceg Novi (by bus approximately 2 hours), price 60 Euro two ways*

b) *Tivat airport – Herceg Novi (by bus), price 30 Euro, two ways.*

c) *Cilipi (Dubrovnik) airport – Herceg Novi (by bus), price 35 Euro, two ways.*

d) Organizer can provide transfer from Belgrade by plane or by bus to hotels in Herceg Novi. Price will depend on number of persons.

e) All payments mention above in respect of (5.1.d) are non refundable if the reservation is cancelled.

5.2 These transport services will be available on September 14 2008 (arrival) and on September 25th . 2008 (departure). If it will be necessary the organizer can accept special request of Federations.

5.3 Players who make private transport arrangements and clearly indicate this in writing at the time of registration will be fully responsible for any problems they experience during arrival or departure. The participants, who pay the expenses of organized transport till August 10, will have organizers help in getting the visa under the most optimal conditions.

5.4 Organizer is recommending to participants and guests of the Championship to use the services of “Montenegro Airlines” from Frankfurt, Zurich, Paris, Ljubljana, Budapest, Belgrade and Vienna to Podgorica or Tivat.

Flight schedules and all information’s regarding reservation and ticket purchase can be found on following web site: <http://www.montenegroairlines.com/>

6. Payment

6.1 BANK TRANSFERS

At the time of registration the amount mentioned above must be transferred to the following account,

INTERMEDIARY BANK:	DEUTSCHE BANK AG FRANKFURT SWIFT CODE: DEUTDEFF
ACC.WITH INSTITUTION:	PRVA BANKA CRNE GORE PODGORICA SWIFT CODE: PRVAMEPG
BENEFICIARY:	ME25535005120000094786 "ŠAHOVSKI SAVEZ CRNE GORE" 8 MARTA BB, PODGORICA

6.2 All bank commissions must be paid by sender, if it is not paid, the organizers will produce an invoice which must be paid before the start of the second round.

7. Lodging and meals

7.1 Accommodation is full board and will be provided in the part A (180 places) and B&C (270 places) of hotel "Plaza", hotel "Igalo" (450 places), and hotel "Centar Igalo" (200 places) in Herceg Novi. Reservations and payments for these hotels must be made not later than August 10.

7.2 Players who have free board and accommodations are obliged to pay compensation of:

-130 Euros for accommodation in hotel "Plaza" (part B&C)

- 100 Euro for accommodation in hotel "Igalo" and in hotel "Centar Igalo",

not later than August 10. Reservation is considered to be made when this compensation is paid. Hotels will be reserved according to the order of payment.

Invited players and players nominated by personal right who register after August 10 will pay an extra charge of 100 Euro each.

All payments mention above in respect of (7.2) are non refundable if the reservation is cancelled.

7.3 Free board and room will be provided for nominated players and players with personal rights from the September 14, (dinner) to September 25 (lunch).

7.4 Chiefs of delegations will have following discount (no matter of hotel and room type)

- 20%, if from his federation participate at least 15 players

- 30%, if from his federation participate at least 20 players

- 50%, if from his federation participate at least 30 players

- free accommodation with full board, if from his federation participate at least 60 players

7.5. Hotel payments must be paid in Euro. The MCF will not accept any promise for payment of Hotel bills at a future date.

7.6 Accommodation and meals for extra players and accompanying persons will be in the official hotels: hotel "Plaza", hotel "Igalo", and in hotel "Centar igalo": Lodging will cost per person FB (include breakfast & lunch & diner):

	PLAZA (PART A)	PLAZA (PART B & C)		"IGALO" & "CENTAR IGALO"	
	ACC. PERSONS	EXTRA PLAYERS	ACC. PERSONS	EXTRA PLAYERS	ACC. PERSONS
SINGLE	65 EUR	55 EUR		47EUR	
DOUBLE	49 EUR	39 EUR	44 EUR	35 EUR	39 EUR

Accommodation in part "A" of hotel "Plaza" is possible for accompanying persons and for extra-players if they prefer. In case that nominated players want to be accommodated in that part they are obliged to pay surcharge in amount of 100 EUR (130 Euro + 100 Euro = 230 Euro).

7.7 Payments in advance for accompanying persons and extra players must be transferred to the account as in article 6.1.

7.8 IMPORTANT NOTICES!

7.8.1. Organizer can guarantee accommodation for specific hotel only when reservation and payment for accommodation has been made on time. From July, 1. on official tournament site we will publish accommodation disposal. Regarding this we are asking all Federations-participants to make all necessary reservations and payments on time.

7.8.2. If the number of participants will be more than 1100, the organizer will provide an additional hotel. If it will be necessary this information will be published on time on official web site.

8. Tournament hall

Tournament hall will be sport hall "Igaló".

This hall is 2000m² and can accommodate a total of 1000 players.

Distance of playing hall from hotels:

Hotel "Centar Igaló": 400 m

Hotel "Igaló": 800 m

Hotel "Plaza": 3 km

Organizer will provide bus transfer to the playing hall as following:

- before the start of each round starting from 2.15 p.m.

- the return to hotel circuit will be every 30 minutes starting from 5 p.m.

9. Schedule

Sunday	September 14 th		Arrival of Delegations
		8.00 PM	Opening ceremony
Monday	September 15 th	11.00 AM	Delegates Meeting
		3.00 PM	1 st Round
Tuesday	September 16 th	3.00 PM	2 nd Round
Wednesday	September 17 th	3.00 PM	3 rd Round
Thursday	September 18 th	3.00 PM	4 th Round
Friday	September 19 th	3.00 PM	5 th Round
Saturday	September 20 th	Free day	
Sunday	September 21 st	3.00 PM	6 th Round
Monday	September 22 nd	3.00 PM	7 th Round
Tuesday	September 23 rd	3.00 PM	8 th Round

Wednesday	September 24 th	1.00 PM	9 th Round
		8.00 PM	Closing ceremony
Thursday	September 25 th		Departure

Players of Federation's who are not represented at the delegates meeting will not be paired according to the decision of ECU Board.

10. Rules and regulations

The tournament will be played by a 9-round Swiss System. National ratings will not be taken into consideration for the pairings. Playing rates will be according to FIDE regulations: 90 minutes for 40 moves + 30 minutes until the end of the game plus an additional 30 sec per move started from move one.

11. Arbiters and Appeals committee

Chief Arbiter will be Vladimir Sakotic, IA (Montenegro)
 Chairman of the Appeal Committee will be Mr. Gerry Walsh, Deputy President of ECU. There shall be two other members, who are not members of Montenegro Chess Federation.

12. Information

Tournament bulletin will be on CD and it will be free for all Federations. For each 15 players Federation will receive one CD.

Before the tournament, information will be available on the Internet at <http://www.euroyouth2008.com>

On this site will be entry forms for registration participants, accompanying persons and journalists.

13. Information about visas

The Federations or players who need assistance with their visas are asked to contact the tournament officer before August 10, 2008 in order that the organizers can help. If applications for visas are made late there may be some difficulty.

14. Prizes

13.1 The first three players of each group will be awarded with medals. The first five will be awarded with trophies and the first ten players in each group and categories will be awarded with diplomas.

13.2 The first five players of each group will be awarded with special awards (mobile phones, digital cameras, DVD players, MP3 players same as chess equipment) in total amount for all prizes 10.000 euros.

13.3 Each participant will receive presents, in total amount for all presents 10.000 euros.

15. Currency & exchange

The local currency is the Euro (€).

16. Tournament office

All necessary information's participants can get by official tournament web-site <http://www.euroyouth2008.com> or by mail: euroyouth2008@yahoo.com

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