**Open International Chess Championship of Sants - Ciutat de Barcelona 2024**

**ORGANIZE**

Catalan Chess Federation together with the Secretariat of Sants, Hostafrancs and la Bordeta Entities.

**PARTICIPANTS**

All athletes with a valid FCE license and/or FIDE license may participate.

**SCHEDULE**

Sunday, August 25 (morning). The start will be at 10:00.

**PLACE**

Auditorium of the Civic Center Cotxeres de Sants, Carrer de Sants, 79, 08014 Barcelona

**TOURNAMENT SYSTEM**

Swiss system with nine (9) rounds in a single group.

**TIME CONTROL**

It will be played at 3 minutes + 2 seconds increment per play.

**RANKING**

The initial ranking will be done by elo FIDE. In the case of not having one, the elo FCE will be used and then the FEDA. It will be posted in the game room.

**TIE-BIREAKS**

* Number of wins
* Buchholz -1
* Buchholz Total
* Lucky draw

**AWARDS**

Trophy for the first three in the general classification and for the best of the following sections:

* Section A – 2000-2149
* Section B – 1850-1999
* Section C – less than 1849
* Non-federated (Josep Pons Award)

The eliminated/withdrawn player loses all his rights.

Prizes are not cumulative. In the event that the General prize and the section prize coincide, preference will be given to the General prize, passing to the next classified in the corresponding section. The trophies will be handed out at the end of the last round.

**REGISTRATION**

The registration fee is free for all participants in the XXIV Sants Chess Open – 28th Ciutat de Barcelona. For other players, it is 5€ to be paid at the secretary of the open place themselves.

Registration has to be done using [the form](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdzmatOqZs2ZTSnYnc2r5FMjWKav9OfxydLBtZ_5KbQJMo6fQ/viewform). The registration deadline is August 20th, 2024. Also you can send an e-mail to [ciutatdebarcelona@escacs.cat](mailto:ciutatdebarcelona@escacs.cat)

The tournament is valid for rapid Catalan Elo and FIDE blitz Elo.

**NON-APPEARANCES**

The player who does not appear in the first round or any other round of play will be eliminated from the competition.

**COMPETITION COMMITTEE**

There will be no competition committee; therefore, the decisions of the Chief Arbiter will be final.

**REGULATION**

The tournament will be governed by the Regulations of the Catalan Chess Federation and FIDE Laws.

**IMPORTANT**

Any electronic device must be kept in a bag and completely disconnected.

In order not to affect the rhythm of the tournament, possible claims that may occur will not be attended to.

**ETHICS**

Players will not act in a way that brings the game of chess into disrepute and will behave properly, both inside and outside the sports facilities.

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE CIRCULAR**

Participation in this competition implies acceptance of this Circular.

**ADVERTISING**

The Catalan Chess Federation wants to spread the word about the event both in the press and on social networks, so it will take and publish images, as well as the minimum data necessary to make the classifications and pairings. Therefore, when registering, the participants authorize the organization to publish images of the tournament in which they appear in order to spread the word about the activity. Likewise, permission is given to publish photographs, videos and the minimum data of other collaborating companies of the event.

At all times, the hygienic measures indicated by the protocol of the Catalan Chess Federation and of the playing venue where the Championship is organized must be followed.