

15th Bangkok Chess Club Open 2015



Thailand Open Chess Championships 2015

Tournament Regulations

1. This is an individual tournament, open to all players with FIDE ID number. If you do not have FIDE ID, please contact your country's rating officer.
2. There are two groups of play: OPEN category for all players, and CHALLENGER category for players rated below 2100 or unrated (based on FIDE ratings - national ratings will be validated by the organiser). When registering, players must indicate in which group they wish to play.
3. FIDE (International Chess Federation) rules and regulations shall apply. Results will be sent for FIDE rating calculations, and are eligible for FIDE title norms.
4. Both groups will be played using the Swiss System, with 9 rounds for Open, and 7 rounds for Challenger. For the pairings, a Swiss Manager program will be used.
5. The matches shall be conducted according to the schedule, which will be made known to the players before the start of the tournament.
6. Each player is accorded with a time control of 90 minutes for 40 moves + 30 minutes for the rest of the game. In addition there is 30 seconds increment per move, starting from the move 1.
7. Five minutes before the games start, the Chief Arbiter shall make the announcement accordingly. If any player is not present within an hour after the game is started, he shall lose by default.
8. **Players are not allowed to bring mobile phones or other electronic devices to the tournament hall, any violation shall result in loss of game.**
9. Officials and players should be smartly attired at all times while in the playing hall.

Arbiters

- Chief Arbiter IA Markku Kosonen (Finland)
- Deputy Chief Arbiter IA Panupand Vijjuprabha
- In the event of dispute the Chief Arbiter's decision is final

Venue

The tournament will be held in the Dusit Thani Pattaya

- Address: 240/2 Pattaya Beach Road, Pattaya City, Chonburi 20150, Thailand
- Website: www.dusit.com/dusitthani/pattaya/

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Tournament Programme

15th BCC Open 2015	Time	Activity
Sunday, 12 April	12:00	Registration closed
	15:00 – 15:30	Welcome & announcements
	15:30 – 20:30	Round 1
Monday, 13 April	09:00 – 14:00	Round 2
	15:30 – 20:30	Round 3
Tuesday, 14 April	14:00 – 19:00	Round 4
Wednesday, 15 April	14:00 – 19:00	Round 5
Thursday, 16 April	14:00 – 19:00	Round 6
Friday, 17 April	14:00 – 19:00	Round 7
Saturday, 18 April	14:00 – 19:00	Round 8
Sunday, 19 April	09:00 – 14:00	Round 9 (final round)
	16:00	Closing ceremony

BCC Challenger	Time	Activity
Monday, 13 April	12:00	Registration closed
	15:00 – 15:30	Welcome & announcements
	15:30 – 20:30	Round 1
Tuesday, 14 April	14:00 – 19:00	Round 2
Wednesday, 15 April	14:00 – 19:00	Round 3
Thursday, 16 April	14:00 – 19:00	Round 4
Friday, 17 April	14:00 – 19:00	Round 5
Saturday, 18 April	14:00 – 19:00	Round 6
Sunday, 19 April	09:00 – 14:00	Round 7 (final round)
	16:00	Closing ceremony

15th Open Blitz*	Time	Activity
Tuesday, 14 April	19:00	Registration closed
	20:00 – 22:00	3-5 qualifier groups
Wednesday, 15 April	20:00 – 22:00	Blitz final (16 players)

* Entry fee for the 'winner-takes-all' blitz tournament is Baht 100 (GMs free).

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Prizes

- OPEN GROUP: 1st prize 100,000 Baht, with additional prizes for 2-10 ranks and 5 best Thai players
- CHALLENGER: 1st prize Baht 20,000, with additional prizes for 2-5 ranks
- Trophy for Best Junior and Best Lady Player in both categories
- *Please note: Under Thai law, 5% tax must be deducted from prize money. All prizes are in Thai Baht.*

Registration

Please complete the online registration form. Players must indicate in which group (Open or Challenger) they would like to participate. The Organiser will confirm your registration by e-mail. If you do not get a reply within a week, please send a reminder.

The deadline for registration is March 15, 2015. After this a late registration charge of 600 Baht will be added. However, organisers reserve the right to refuse or decline late registrations.

Entry Fees

- OPEN GROUP: 3,200 Baht
- CHALLENGER: 1,600 Baht
- Payment after March 15 subject to additional 600 Baht

Payment can be made via credit card or Paypal on our payment page by 15th March, or by cash before the tournament. All tournament fees must be paid before the start of the first round. Entry fees are nonrefundable after March 15, 2015

Accommodation

Players are required to budget for their own board and lodgings, as well as transportation needs. Special room rates have been negotiated at Dusit Thani Pattaya:

- Superior Room Single/Twin: 3,300 Baht nett/room/night
- Deluxe Room Single/Twin: 3,700 Baht nett/room/night
- The above rates are inclusive of service charge, VAT, breakfast and complimentary internet.

For accommodation reservations please see the online reservation form link at www.bangkokchess.com

Conditions for Titled Players

Tournament fees are waived for GMs, WGMs, IMs, WIMs and 2500+ rated players (according to the official FIDE April 2015 rating list).

Complimentary accommodation is available for the first 15 GMs to register (room & breakfast in twin sharing with another GM for 8 nights). Complimentary room reservation is confirmed after organiser has received online registration and deposit transfer of 2,000 Baht (approx. 48 Euros). Deposits will be fully returned after check-in to hotel. Please contact organiser for inquiries (bangkokchessclub@gmail.com).

Other information

- Tournament results and pairings will be updated daily at www.chess-results.com
- Approximate exchange rate: US \$1 = 33 Baht; €1 Euro = 41 Baht; £1 = 52 Baht (rates vary)