



13th ASEAN+ AGE-GROUP CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Hue city, Vietnam, 10th to 19th June 2012



The President/Secretary All ASEAN National Chess Federations

Dear Colleagues

13th ASEAN+ Age Group Chess Championships will be held in Hue city, Vietnam from 10th to 19th June 2012.

Located in the center of Vietnam, Hue city is well known for its historic monuments, which have earned it a place in UNESCO's World Heritage Sites.

Participants may compete in the U-8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 20 Age-Groups for Girls and Open. In addition, Seniors (aged 50 and above) will be held.

The ASEAN+ Age Group Championships have grown in popularity and shall accept direct individual registrations as well as those from countries and territories around Asia.

Please kindly email your registration to us as soon as possible in order to ascertain the number of rooms required in the official hotel.

We look forward to welcoming you to Hue city, Vietnam!

Thank you so much.

Truly yours,

Dang Tat Thang
Vietnam Chess Federation, Vice President



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REGULATIONS

1. Eligibility & Participation:

1.1. Each country may register any number of players to participate in the U-8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 20 Age-Groups for Girls and Open and Seniors aged 50 or above.

1.2. Only individuals from non-ASEAN member federations may apply individually. The players who are entitled to participate should not have reached their relevant age as on 1st January 2012.

2. Schedule:

10/6	After 12:00 20:00	Arrival Technical Meeting
11/6	09:00-13:00 20:00	Standard Chess Round 1 Opening ceremony
12/6	09:00-13:00 16:00-20:00	Standard Chess Round 2 Standard Chess Round 3
13/6	09:00-13:00 16:00-20:00	Standard Chess Round 4 Standard Chess Round 5
14/6	09:00-13:00 16:00-20:00	Standard Chess Round 6 Standard Chess Round 7
15/6	09:00-13:00 16:00-20:00	Standard Chess Round 8 Standard Chess Round 9
16/6	18:00-19:00 19:00-21:00	Free day Awarding for Standard Chess Social Nite
17/6	09:00-13:00 16:00-20:00	Rapid Chess Rounds 1,2,3,4 Rapid Chess Rounds 5,6,7
18/6	09:00-13:00 19:00-21:00	Blitz Chess 9 Rounds Awarding for Rapid & Blitz and Closing ceremony
19/6	Before 12:00	Departure

3. Pairing:

In the last 2 rounds, where possible, players from the same country and who have more than 50% shall not be paired together.

4. Time Control:

4.1. Standard Chess – Each player shall have 120 minutes to complete the game.

4.2. Rapid Chess – Each player shall have 25 minutes to complete the game.

4.3. Blitz Chess – Each player shall have 5 minutes to complete the game.



5. Medals:

5.1. Medals will be awarded to the top three positions in each event and category (see 5.3).

5.2. Team Medals -will be awarded based on the total score of the top three players of a country. Countries with less than 2 players will not be eligible for a team award. In case of any tie, the tie-break scores of each player shall be considered (see 6.1)

5.3. Individual Medals -Where there is a tie, not more than 3 players will receive the same colour medal. For each category, not more than 5 medals will be awarded. Examples -if 2 players tie for first and 2 players tie for third, then 2 Gold medals will be awarded, no Silver, but 2 Bronze medals will be awarded. If 3 players tie for first, then no Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded. If more than 3 players tie for first, then the 3 highest based on tie-break will receive the Gold medals and the Silver and Bronze medals will not be awarded.

5.4.a For the Standard Chess events, FM/WFM titles are awarded to the winners (regardless of ASEAN or non-ASEAN players) of the youth categories. In case of tie, after tie-break, only the top three will be awarded. CM/WCM titles are awarded, after tie-break, to silver and bronze medal winners – not more than one title will be awarded for each (2nd/3rd) position.

5.4.b The IM/WIM titles are awarded for the ASEAN U20 category.

6. Tie-Break:

6.1. Swiss-System: Buchholz, followed by Sonneborn-Berger; Number of Wins with the Black pieces.

6.2. Round-Robin: Sonneborn-Berger; Direct Encounter; Number of Wins with the Black pieces.

7. Appeals Committee:

The Appeals Committee will be decided during the technical meeting. An appeal, accompanied by a deposit of US\$50, must be submitted within 15 minutes of the completion of the relevant playing session.

8. Registration Fee:

Registration Date	Players Through Federation	Individual Registration from non-ASEAN	All Accompanying Persons
Before and on 15th May 2012	US\$ 200	US\$ 250	US\$ 75
After 15th May 2012	US\$ 250	US\$ 300	US\$ 125

9. Official Hotel & Venue:

9.1. The Official Hotel is the 4-star Huong Giang Hotel, 51 Le Loi street, Hue city, Vietnam.

9.2. All players and accompanying persons shall have to be registered through the organisers at the designated official hotel. All participants are obliged to stay in Official Hotels

9.3. The organisers shall provide free board and lodging to one official or coach per Federation on triple-sharing basis. The room rates (inclusive of 3 meals per day) shall apply to all players and accompanying persons:

Payment of Fees	Single	Twin/Double	Triple
Before and on 15th May 2012	US\$ 120	US\$ 70 per pax	US\$ 55 per pax

9.4. For every 5 players registered through the Federation, board and lodging shall be waived for the 6th player. Rooms are assigned on triple-sharing basis.

9.5. The Playing Venue is in the Conference room of Huong Giang Hotel.

10. How to get in Hue city:

Located in the center of Vietnam. Hue's international "Phu Bai" airport fields daily flights to and from Ho Chi Minh City (SGN) and Hanoi (HAN). It takes 13km from Phu Bai airport (Hue) to Hue city.

Or you can get in Hue by flight to Danang international airport (DAD). Then from Danang City to Hue city by land transport in less than 2 hours. Registered participants will be taken to Hue from the Danang airport by Organising committee.

The registration fee includes airport transfers. Details of Flight Arrival must be provided before 1st June 2012 otherwise no transfers will be arranged.

11. Weather conditions

Hue features a Tropical monsoon climate, in June, the weather of Hue city is warm and around 24-34° C.

12. Entry Visas:

Participants may get their visas at the Vietnam Embassy in their respective countries. From ASEAN Countries only Myanmar that need visa.

13. Social Nite:

This event is an opportunity for the players to perform and show their talent other than Chess. Participation is limited to one presentation per country. Please bring your own musical instruments or accompanying CD/VCD. Prizes will be awarded.

14. Registration of Participants and Accompanying Persons:

Please send your registration and provide the Name, Gender, Date of Birth, FIDE Rating/ID Number (if any), type of room and rooming list to: email: office@vietnamchess.com.vn and email: ignatiusleong@pacific.net.sg

The deadline for registration is 15th May 2012.

Players who are absent at the Technical Meeting shall not be paired for Round 1. For every player or accompanying person who registered but does not turn up, a penalty of US \$25 shall be imposed on the federation.

15. Payments:

All payments shall be made payable by 1st May 2012 to

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