



## European Youth Rapid and Blitz Chess Championship 2019

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#### 1. ORGANIZERS

This is the official invitation to all European Chess Federations affiliated to FIDE and ECU to participate in the 19<sup>th</sup> European Youth Rapid & Blitz U-8,10,12,14,16,18 Championship.

## **2. DATE AND VENUE:**

**30<sup>th</sup> November to the 4<sup>th</sup> of December 2019 at the Sokos Hotel Viru Tallinn, ESTONIA**

## **3. EVENT WEBSITE**

www.tallinnec2019.ee

## **4. TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR**

Ken Koort

E-mail: ken@koort.ee

## **5. CHIEF ARBITER**

Laurent Freyd

## **6. TOURNAMENT SYSTEM, TOURNAMENT PARTICIPANTS, CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION**

The **European Youth Rapid Chess Championship** will be played in six categories: U8, U10, U12, U14, U16 and U18, separately for boys and girls. It will be played in the Swiss system, 9 rounds, with the time control 15 minutes + 10 seconds per move increment starting from the first move.

The **European Youth Blitz Chess Championship** will be played in three categories: U10, U14 and U18, separately for boys and girls. It will be played in the Swiss system, 9 rounds, with the time control 3 minutes + 2 seconds per move increment starting from the first move.

The **European Youth Team Championship** will be played in three categories: U10, U14 and U18. Teams are composed of 4 players of the same federation. 7 rounds played according to the Swiss System, 10 minutes + 5 seconds per move increment starting from the first move

The **European Youth Championship in Solving Chess Problems** will be conducted in three age categories: U10, U14 and U18.

The **European Rapid Cup – Rapid Super final** will be played in two categories, boys and girls. The best players in each category of European Youth Rapid Chess Championships 2019 may enter the Rapid Super Final (Three best players in each of the categories – 14, 16 and 18, two best players in each of the categories – 8, 10, 12, as well as the representative of the organizer) These players (altogether 16) – separate boys and girls, will play matches in 4 rounds (knock-out system) according to special regulations.

NOTE: If some of the categories lack the needed number of participants, the organizer has the right to merge two categories or change the competition system.

The Championship is open to all players representing ECU Chess Federations (FIDE zones 1.1. to 1.10), regardless of their title and rating.

There is no limit to the number of participants per federation.

Registration starts on **the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019**. Applications must be sent through the on-line form on the official website of the championship [www.tallinnec2019.ee](http://www.tallinnec2019.ee). The registration **deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> of October 2019**.

**Entry fees and accommodation payments** shall reach the following bank account **no later than 31<sup>st</sup> of October 2019**.

**Bank details: (for payments in EUR):**

Account holder name (Beneficiary): Eesti Maleliit

Address of Beneficiary: Estonia, Tallinn, Vene 29

Bank name: SWEDBANK.

Bank SWIFT (BIC) code: HABAE2X

Bank account number (IBAN): EE452200221038592437

Please state names of the players concerned.

Bank charges are to be borne by the senders.

**Notes:**

1. Places are limited. Organizers reserve the right to close registration list at any time.
2. Entry fee is non refundable.
3. Entry fees for players who register after **31<sup>st</sup> of October 2019**. will be **doubled**.
4. All bank charges for bank transfer are to be borne by the payer.
5. List of the players who have paid the application fee and the participants who have booked hotel accommodation will be on the tournament website. Kindly follow the tournament website verifying your fees were accepted and your names are on the list.
6. If you had paid and your name is not on the website list, please email the Organizers at: [ken@koort.ee](mailto:ken@koort.ee)
7. Those players who register after **31<sup>st</sup> of October 2019** would be admitted on vacancy basis. Organizers reserve full discretion to deny registration of participants fully registering later than **31<sup>st</sup> of October 2019**.
8. The Organizers reserve the right to admit such players starting from Round 2.
9. Players who wish to receive an invoice are kindly requested to send all necessary information in advance to the Tournament Director at: [ken@koort.ee](mailto:ken@koort.ee)

## 7. ENTRY FEE

**Rapid Tournament** Entry fee per participant will be €20 (plus €10 fee to the European Chess Union), **total of €30**

**Blitz Tournament** Entry fee per participant will be €5 (plus €10 fee to the European Chess Union), **total of €15**

**Team Championships** Entry fee per player will be €5, **total of €20** (plus €10 fee to the European Chess Union), **total of €60**

The €10 fee to the European Chess Union is in any way a single payment. If a player is eligible and elects to play in all tournaments (the European Youth Rapid Chess Championship, the European Youth Blitz Chess Championship, the European Youth Team Rapid Chess Championship, and the European Championships In Solving Chess Problems) he will be required to pay the €10 ECU fee only once.,

## 8. VERIFICATION OF THE PARTICIPANTS

Publishing a player's name in the list published at [www.tallinnec2019.ee](http://www.tallinnec2019.ee) will confirm that he/she has been admitted to the tournament.

## 9. SCHEDULE:

<b>Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019</b>	
12:00 - 19:00	Arrival. Registration of the participants.
19:30	Technical meeting at the tournament hall
20:00 – 22:00	Solving Problems
<b>Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019</b>	
09.30	Opening ceremony
10:00 – 13:30	Rapid rounds 1-3
16:30 – 20:00	Rapid rounds 4-6
<b>Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019</b>	
10:00 – 13:00	Rapid rounds 7-9
16:00 – 21:00	Rapid team round 1-7
<b>Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019</b>	
10:00 – 13:00	Blitz Tournament, rounds 1-9
14:30 – 15:45	Closing Ceremony
16:00 – 21:00	Super Final (1/8, 1/4, 1/2, final)
<b>Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019</b>	
	Departure

## 10. Prize Fund

The total prize fund for all events is **13 700€** in goods, and **1 300€** in money prizes.

- The **European Youth Rapid Chess Championship** winners in each category will be awarded tablet computers.
- Three best players in each category will win cups and medals.
- Five best players will be also awarded prizes in different items in goods.
  
- The **European Youth Blitz Chess Championship** winners in each category will be awarded tablet computers.
- Three best players in each category will win cups and medals.
- Five best players will be also awarded prizes in different items in goods.
  
- The **European Youth Team Championship** three best teams in each category will win cups and medals and will be awarded different prizes in goods.
  
- The **European Youth Championship in Solving Chess Problems** three best solvers in each category will win cups and medals and will be awarded different prizes in goods.
  
- The **Super Final** - prize money: 1. = 300€, 2. = 200€ 3. = 100€ 4. = 50€

## 11. SPECIAL CONDITIONS

The organizer will cover the accommodation expenses of participants with the **GM** and **IM** titles who stay in the official hotel of the competition. For free accommodation please contact tournament director ken@koort.ee

### Note:

ELO rating in rapid and blitz chess as of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019 will be considered.

## 12. ACCOMMODATION official hotel: **Sokos Hotel Viru**

Distance from the playing hall: same building

a) Standard rooms

single room - €82 / room per night

double room - €114 / room per night

All room rates are with breakfast included

buffet lunch: per meal - €11

buffet dinner: per meal - €18

b) payment for the accommodation: see Item 6 of the Regulations

Second tournament official hotel: **Hotel Estoria**

Distance from the playing hall: same building

a) Standard rooms

single room - €105 / room per night

double room - €142 / room per night

All room rates are with breakfast included

buffet lunch: per meal - €11

buffet dinner: per meal - €18

b) payment for the accommodation: see Item 6 of the regulations

### **13. TRANSFER**

Transfer from Tallinn airport to the respective hotels is the responsibility of the participants and on their expense. Volunteers are to be at the airport guiding players to the taxis and public transportation.

### **14. VISAS**

Players in need of visa to Estonia are advised to apply for it as soon as possible. For visa purpose, upon request the organization shall provide a personal invitation.

Persons who need visa support are requested to contact the Tournament Director at [ken@koort.ee](mailto:ken@koort.ee)

### **15. COMMERCIAL ISSUES**

- The Organizer warrants that the official domain for the event is managed in a professional way and furthermore that it is capable of handling the traffic and publicity that is required for such event. Statistics of traffic and full reports on web performance are provided by the Organizer.
- The Organizer shall co-operate with the Press Officer concerning the accreditation and hospitality for journalists and media and the facilities available at the Press Centre.
- The Press Officer is a member of the panel at Press Conferences conducted during the event.

- Only photographers and camera crew expressly authorized by the Press Officer may work in the playing venue.
- Flash may be used only during the first three (3) minutes of play during rapid games and the first two (2) minutes during blitz games.
- Television cameras must be unobtrusive and may only be used if the Arbiter in charge deems their use to be unobtrusive.
- Organizers reserve the right to use in their site every photo taken at the playing area during days of the tournaments. Objects in the photos by entering the tournament hall give consent for organizers to do so. All photographers at the tournaments consent to organizers doing so. Site managers would endeavor to add credits for the respective photographer.

## **16. APPEALS**

Protests, including protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter or his assistants, or the Tournament Director, must be submitted in written form to the Chairman of the appeals committee within ten minutes after completion of the respective game.

The protest must be accompanied with the sum of 200 € or the equivalent in local currency, as a deposit from the signatory. The deposit must be handed to the Chairman of the appeals committee. If the appeal is granted, the sum shall be returned immediately. If the appeal is refused, the deposit is forfeited to the European Chess Union.

The Committee endeavors to make a decision within fifteen (15) minutes after submission of the appeal.

## **17. TOURNAMENT OFFICE**

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