

MANISA METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY 2nd MESIR INTERNATIONAL OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

SECTION ONE

General Descriptions, Participation and Application, Ranking with Tie Breaks And General Provisions

General Descriptions

ARTICLE 1- (1) Manisa Metropolitan Municipality 2nd Mesir International Open Chess Tournament will be organized by Manisa Metropolitan Municipality and Turkish Chess Federation in Yunusemre, district of Manisa.

(2) The tournament will be start on Monday, April 20, 2026 and will be finished on Saturday, April 25, 2026.

(3) Applications for the tournament must be completed until 17.00 on Saturday, April 18, 2026. Applications made after the application deadline deemed invalid.

(4) The tournament will be organized in Saruhan Otel.

(5) Pairing system, number of rounds and time control of the tournament are as follows:

a) All categories will be played by the Swiss System with 9 rounds the first three rounds of which are the Baku Accelerated System (C.04.5.1).

b) All categories, both players have 90 minutes. There is a 30 seconds increment permove, starting with the move one.

(6) Turkish Chess Federation Competition Rules and Regulations and FIDE Laws of Chess are valid for the tournament.

Participation and Application

ARTICLE 2- (1) The following conditions are required for players.

a) Players who are citizen of Republic of Turkiye,

1) Players must have a valid TCF license of 2025-2026 season,

2) Players must have been born in 2019 or before.

b) Players who are not citizen of Republic of Turkiye,

1) Players must have a valid FIDE ID number from their national federation,

2) Players must have been born in 2019 or before.

(2) The tournament will be organized in 3 different categories in line with the following criteria.

a) Category A is open to,

1) Players whose ELO rating is 2000 or higher than 2000,

2) Players whose national rating is 2000 or higher than 2000 but no have ELO rating,

b) Category B is open to,

1) Players whose ELO rating is between 1700-1999,

2) Players whose national rating is between 1700-1999 and have no ELO rating

c) Category C is open to,

- 1) Players whose ELO rating is between 1400-1699
- 2) Players whose national rating is between 1400-1699 but have no ELO rating,
- 3) Players who are not citizen of Republic of Turkiye and have no ELO rating.

(3) Results of the categories A, B and C will be used to the ELO rating and National rating calculations.

(4) Applications will be made through the online registration page on the website mesiropen.tsf.org.tr. Informations on the tournament registration page must be given completely and correctly. Players are responsible for all for feiture due to failure to register and incomplete/incorrect information. Applications made by incorrect methods or made after the deadline will not be accepted.

(5) Players who are not citizen of the Republic of Turkiye will apply to gurkanaydeniz@hotmail.com via e-mail.

(6) All players are responsible for completion of the registration verification process with in the date and time specified in the tournament schedule.

(7) First round pairings are made according to the schedule. Players who arrive after the deadline registration verification will be added to the end of the first round pairing list (by sorted and considered pairing criteria).

(8) Players who arrive after the start of the first round will be added to the player list. In that case the player list is sorted before the second round and pairing is made for the second round. After the announcement of the second round pairings no players will be accepted to the tournament.

(9) For each category players will complete the registration process by paying 650 ₺ entry fee. The entry fee for players residing in Manisa is 250 ₺. The entry fee will be paid by credit card from the online payment page on the website of mesiropen.tsf.org.tr. There is no entry fee for GM, IM, WGM, WIM, FM and WFM titled players.

(10) The entry fee will not be refunded to the players who do not participate in the tournament.

(11) The maximum number is 80 players for Category A, Category B, and Category C. The tournament director has the authority to change the numbers before the application deadline.

Ranking with Tie Breaks Methods

ARTICLE 3- (1) In the Swiss System Tournaments players who have same point are ranked using the following the tie break methods (with the name determined in the Swiss Manager program):

- a) Direct encounter (theresults of the players in the same point group)[11],
- b) Buchholz-1 (Baku 2023) [84],
- c) Sonneborn Berger (Baku 2023) [85],
- ç) Average of Opponents' Buchholz [77],
- d) Number of Win [68],
- e) Drawing of lots.

(2) In the Round Robin Tournaments players who have same point are ranked using the following the tie break methods (with the name determined in the Swiss Manager program):

- a) Direct encounter (theresults of the players in the same point group)[11],
- b) Sonneborn Berger (Baku 2023) [85],
- c) Number of Wins [68],
- ç) Drawing of lots.

General Rules

ARTICLE 4- (1) The Appeal Committee determined and announced at the technical meeting will evaluate the appeals. Objections against any decision must be submitted in the written form to the chief arbiter within 15 minutes after completion of the current round. Appeal deposit fee is 1250 ₺.

(2) According to the FIDE Laws of Chess Article 6.7.2 the default time is 30 minutes.

(3) According to the FIDE Laws of Chess Article 9.1.2 there is no restriction of move for draw offer.

(4) The Chief Arbiter has the right to modify number of rounds, tournament schedule and pairing system depending on the number of participants. In case of such modifications players are informed in the technical meeting.

(5) In the tournament Swiss Manager software will be used for the pairings. Starting rank list is determined according to the player's highest rating (UKD or ELO whichever is higher) on the start day of the registration verification.

(6) GM, IM, WGM and WIM titled players will be evaluated and answered by the organization if they submit free accomodation requests to the tournament director. The other accomodation opportunities will be announced on the tournament web page.

(7) Tournament Director,

- a) Name – Surname: Gurkan Aydeniz,
- b) FIDE ID: 6342230
- c) Phone number: +90 533 777 18 99

SECOND SECTION

Prizes and Tournament Schedule

Prizes

ARTICLE 5- (1) Top three players in each categories will receive trophies and players who win prizes will receive medals. Totally 1.000.000 ₺ prizes will be given as stated in the table below. Prizes will be given according to the final ranking and prizes will not be shared.

(2) Players who appear as “TUR” in the FIDE rating list are considered as ‘Turkish Player’.

(3) For ‘Local Player’ prize, players must submit the documents proving the resident in Manisa during the registration verification.

(4) Players excluded from the tournament and forfeited at the last round have no right to claim any prize.

(5) Unless the tournament director decide otherwise players who do not participate the closing ceremony have no right to claim any prize.

(6) Players receive all the prizes they have earned.

(7) Prize tables for categories are as follow.

PRIZE TABLE FOR CATEGORY A					
Open Category	RANK	PRIZE	BEST	RANK	PRIZE
	1.	140.000 ₺	Turkish Player	1.	15.000 ₺
	2.	110.000 ₺		2.	10.000 ₺
	3.	90.000 ₺		3.	7.500 ₺
	4.	70.000 ₺	Woman Player	1.	15.000 ₺
	5.	50.000 ₺		2.	10.000 ₺
	6.	40.000 ₺		3.	7.500 ₺
	7.	30.000 ₺	Player Who Lives in Manisa	1.	7.500 ₺
	8.	25.000 ₺			
	9.	20.000 ₺	Senior Player (Who is 50 age or over 50 age)	1.	7.500 ₺
	10.	15.000 ₺			
TOTAL PRIZE OF CATEGORY A: 670.000 ₺					

PRIZE TABLE FOR CATEGORY B					
Open Category	RANK	PRIZE	BEST	RANK	PRIZE
	1.	30.000 ₺	Senior Player (Who is 50 age or over 50 age)	1.	5.000 ₺
	2.	25.000 ₺			
	3.	20.000 ₺			
	4.	15.000 ₺	Player Whose Maximum Rating is lower than 1799	1.	5.000 ₺
	5.	13.000 ₺		2.	4.000 ₺
	6.	12.000 ₺		3.	3.000 ₺
	7.	11.000 ₺	Player Who Lives in Manisa	1.	5.000 ₺
	8.	10.000 ₺		2.	4.000 ₺
	9.	9.000 ₺		3.	3.000 ₺
	10.	7.500 ₺	Woman Player	1.	5.000 ₺
TOTAL PRIZE OF CATEGORY B: 193.500 ₺				2.	4.000 ₺
				3.	3.000 ₺

PRIZE TABLE FOR CATEGORY C

Open Category	RANK	PRIZE	BEST	RANK	PRIZE
	1.	17.000 ₺	Player Whose Maximum Rating is lower than 1499	1.	4.000 ₺
	2.	13.000 ₺		2.	3.000 ₺
	3.	11.000 ₺		3.	2.000 ₺
	4.	9.000 ₺	Player Who Lives in Manisa	1.	4.000 ₺
	5.	8.000 ₺		2.	3.000 ₺
	6.	7.000 ₺		3.	2.000 ₺
	7.	6.000 ₺	Woman Player	1.	4.000 ₺
	8.	5.000 ₺		2.	3.000 ₺
	9.	4.000 ₺		3.	2.000 ₺
	10.	3.000 ₺	Senior Player (Who is 50 age or over 50 age)	1.	4.000 ₺
TOTAL PRIZE OF CATEGORY C: 114.000 ₺					

MEMORIAL PRIZE	FOR CATEGORIES A, B, C	EXPLANATION	PRIZE
Ferdi Zeyrek Memorial Prize	The Player from Manisa who gained the most ELO points	In the event of a tie in ELO gain, the younger player will be prioritized; if that is also tied, the player with the higher final ranking will be prioritized.	7.500 ₺
Gülşah Durbay Memorial Prize	The female player who gained the most ELO points		7.500 ₺
Güney Temiz Memorial Prize	The male player who gained the most ELO points		7.500 ₺
TOTAL PRIZE	22.500 ₺		

Tournament Schedule

ARTICLE 6- (1) The schedule for the tournament is as follow.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE		
Date	Time	Statement
18 April 2026 Saturday	17.00	Deadline For Application
20 April 2026 Monday	09.00	Start of Registration Verification
	14.00	End of Registration Verification
	14.30	Announcement of Player List
	14.45	Deadline for Appeal to the Player List
	15.00	Technical Meeting
	15.30	Announcement of Pairings
	15.45	Opening Ceremony
	16.00	Round 1
21 April 2026 Tuesday	10.00	Round 2
	16.00	Round 3
22 April 2026 Wednesday	10.00	Round 4
	16.00	Round 5
23 April 2026 Thursday	16.00	Round 6
24 April 2026 Friday	10.00	Round 7
	16.00	Round 8
25 April 2026 Saturday	10.00	Round 9
	17.00	CLOSING CEREMONY