

Szansa Chess Open Blitz&Rapid 2024

REGULATIONS

1. Organizer

Foundation „Chance – We Are Together”

2. Patrons and Partners

Marszałek Województwa Mazowieckiego Adam Struzik

Infoszach.pl – Media Patron

3. Date and Venue

September 21-22, 2024

Palace of Culture and Science, Sala Starzyńskiego, 4th floor

Plac Defilad 1, 00-901 Warsaw

4. Participation Conditions

All interested players can participate upon payment of the entry fee:

60 PLN – Blitz tournament

80 PLN – Rapid tournament

Registrations must be made by September 19, 2023, at 23:59 via the tournament service Chessmanager at <https://www.chessmanager.com/pl/tournaments/5184977347543040>.

The entry fee must be paid exclusively by bank transfer to the account of Foundation „Chance – We Are Together”

Account number: **69 1240 1037 1111 0011 0121 5221**

Transfer title: Szansa Chess Open 2024 (Rapid and/or Blitz) – player’s name

A transfer confirmation must be sent to the email address: **szansachessopen@gmail.com**.

Only players with a ✓ symbol next to their names after sending the confirmation will be allowed to participate on the day of the tournament. Players who do not send the transfer confirmation will be removed from the start list after the registration deadline.

All confirmed players must attend the first round. The allowable lateness is the player's full time for the game.

Exempt from entry fee: GM, WGM, blind, and visually impaired players.

50% discount on entry fee: IM, WIM, FM, and WFM.

A declaration is sufficient to be considered a blind/visually impaired player. This declaration can be submitted via email during tournament registration or verbally to the Chief Arbiter until the end of the penultimate round of the tournament.

5. Tournament System and Time Control

Blitz Tournament – 11 rounds, Swiss system, 3 minutes + 2 seconds per move for each player.

Rapid Tournament – 9 rounds, Swiss system, 10 minutes + 5 seconds per move for each player.

6. Prizes

Main Prizes	Rapid [PLN]	Blitz [PLN]
I place	2500	1500
II place	2000	1000
III place	1500	850
IV place	1250	700
V place	1000	600
VI place	800	500
VII place	700	400
VIII place	600	300
IX place	500	200
X place	400	100

Special Prizes	Rapid [PLN]	Blitz [PLN]
Woman I place	300	200
Woman II place	200	150
Woman III place	150	100
Junior I place	300	200
Junior II place	200	150
Junior III place	150	100
Visually impaired I place	300	200
Visually impaired II place	200	150
Visually impaired III place	150	100
Up to 2200 Elo	250	100
Up to 2000 Elo	250	100
Up to 1800 Elo	200	50
Up to 1600 Elo	150	50
Without FIDE	100	50

Total prize pool: 22 000 PLN

Prizes are not split. A player can receive only one prize (of higher value). In case of equal value, prizes will be awarded in the following order:

- Main prize
- Women's category prize
- Junior category prize
- Blind and visually impaired category prize
- Rating prize

Prizes are awarded during the closing ceremony. If the awarded player is absent, the prize goes to the next eligible person.

7. Schedule

	September 21	September 22
	Blitz	Rapid
1st round	16:00	10:00
Opening ceremony	16:20	10:45
2nd round	16:35	11:00
3rd round	17:00	11:45
4th round	17:25	12:15
5th round	17:50	13:00
6th round	18:15	13:45
7th round	18:40	14:15
8th round	19:05	15:00
9th round	19:30	15:45
10th round	19:55	
11th round	20:20	
Closing ceremony	20:45	16:30
Time control	3'+2"	10'+5"

8. Placement Criteria.

- Total points
- Buchholz Cut-1
- Buchholz
- Sonneborn-Berger
- Progress
- Direct Encounter
- Number of wins

9. Contact Information

Chief Arbiter – IA Tomasz Delega

Tournament Director – FA Dawid Sułkowski, mail: szansachessopen@gmail.com

Organizer – FA Jan Kozak, mail: janek_kozak@wp.pl

10. Rules

The current FIDE game rules and fair play principles apply. Players are allowed to have a turned-off mobile phone and other communication devices in a separate bag or package. A player cannot use this bag during the game under penalty of losing the game. A player whose communication device makes any sound during the game will also be penalized with a loss. Spectators in the playing hall must also have their mobile phones turned off or muted. The tournaments are submitted for FIDE Rapid and Blitz rating evaluation.

11. Additional Information

- Players insure themselves at their own expense.
- Legal guardians or authorized persons are responsible for minor players during the tournament.
- Parking – a paid parking lot is available near the Palace of Culture and Science. Public transportation is recommended: train to “Warszawa Centralna,” “Warszawa Śródmieście,” or “Warszawa Główna WKD” stations; metro to Metro Centrum and Metro Świętokrzyska; trams and buses.
- Participation in the tournament implies consent to the publication of photos with the players’ images for the tournament’s purposes.
- Individuals (clubs) requesting invoices should provide all necessary data (club/organization name, full address, NIP, player data) to the email address: szansachessopen@gmail.com
- The tournament is one of the accompanying events of REHA. Szansa Cubing Open (Rubik’s cube competition) will be held in the adjacent Skłodowska Hall.
- The final interpretation of these regulations belongs to the Organizer.