

## RAPID CHESS TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS IN MEMORY OF THE COACH RICHARDAS BANAITIS

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### I. PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

- 1.1 The tournament aims to promote chess among students and adults.
  - 1.2 To honor the memory of the late coach Richardas Banaitis.
  - 1.3 To encourage students and adults to spend their leisure time meaningfully.
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### II. VENUE AND DATE

- 2.1 The tournament will take place on **Saturday, January 18, 2025**, at **Jonava Sports Arena**, Žeimių St. 17, Jonava.
  - 2.2 **Pre-registration** is required by email: **donatas.vazonis@gmail.com** by **January 13, 2025**. The registration email must include: the participant's age group, first and last name, and city.
  - 2.3 Registration is **limited to 300 participants** across the **A and B tournaments**.
  - 2.4 On-site registration will be available on the tournament day, **January 18**, from **9:00 AM to 10:30 AM**. The tournament will start at **11:00 AM**.
  - 2.5 A **café** will be available at the venue.
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### III. PARTICIPANTS AND REGULATIONS

3.1 Participants are divided into the following **age groups**:

- **A Tournament:**
  - **Group 1** – Adults.
  - **Group 2** – Juniors (born in 2007 or later), playing together with adults.
- **B Tournament:**
  - **Group 3** – Youth (born in 2011 or later).
  - **Group 4** – Children (born in 2015 or later).  
Youth and children will play together.

3.2 The tournament will follow the **Swiss system** with **9 rounds**, in accordance with **FIDE rapid chess rules**.

3.3 **Time control**: 10 minutes + 5 seconds per move increment.

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### IV. PARTICIPATION CONDITIONS

4.1 The tournament will be **FIDE-rated**, and rapid chess ratings will be calculated.

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## V. ENTRY FEES

### 5.1 Entry fees:

- **A Tournament:** €15.
- **B Tournament:** €10.
- **Grandmasters (GM), International Masters (IM), Women's Grandmasters (WGM), and Women's International Masters (WIM)** are **exempt** from entry fees.

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## VI. WINNERS DETERMINATION

6.1 The winners will be determined based on points earned and additional criteria, which will be announced on the **chess-results.com** website before the start of the first round.

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## VII. AWARDS

7.1 For the **A Tournament**, if there are **130 or more participants**, a guaranteed **prize fund of at least €2,600** will be awarded:

- **1st place** – €700
- **2nd place** – €500
- **3rd place** – €350
- **4th place** – €150
- **5th place** – €110
- **6th place** – €80
- **7th place** – €70
- **8th place** – €50
- **Best Female Player** – €100
- **Best Junior U18, Best Local Player (Jonava), Best Senior S65, and Best Amateur (ELO U2000, U1800, U1600, U1400)** – €70 each.

**Note:** Prizes are **not split**. The organizers reserve the right to increase the prize fund.

7.2 The **top 3 players** in each category will receive **medals**, with the **1st place winner** receiving a **trophy and medal**:

- Adults (separate categories for men and women).

- Juniors (separate categories for boys and girls).
- Youth (separate categories for boys and girls).
- Children (separate categories for boys and girls).
- Seniors.
- Local players from Jonava.

7.3 **All participants** will receive **souvenir gifts**.

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## VIII. FINANCING

8.1 The tournament expenses will be covered by the **Jonava Sports Center**.

8.2 The collected **entry fees** will be managed, and the **cash prizes** will be distributed by the **Kaunas Chess Community Club**.

8.3 Other expenses, such as **travel and meals**, will be covered by the **delegating organization**.

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## IX. TOURNAMENT ORGANIZERS

The tournament is organized by:

- **Jonava Sports Center**, Žeimių St. 17, Jonava.
- **Kaunas Chess Community Club**, Partizanų St. 180, Kaunas.

**Sponsors:**

- **Daiva Dackevičienė** – daughter of the late coach Richardas Banaitis.
- **Lithuanian Chess Support Fund**.

**Chief Arbiter:**

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