

AUSTRIAN CHESS FEDERATION

Styrian Association

Österreichische Schachjugend

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31st International Styrian Youth Chess Championship U08-U18



Mureck, August 1 - 9, 2025

General Information

Invitation

The Styrian Association of the Austrian Chess Federation has the honour of carrying out the **31st International Styrian Youth Chess Tournament U08-U18 2025**, to be held in Mureck.

Participation

All participants, including parents, coaches, observers and relatives are obliged to stay in official hotels or guesthouses and will not be allowed to book directly their accommodation or food. All bookings must be made through the organizers.

Registration and participation conditions

Registration deadline: June 15, 2025 (early registration is recommended).

The registration must include:

First name(s) and surname(s), Date of birth and FIDE ID of each player Telephone number and email address of all participants (including accompanying persons).

Please use the provided registration form and submit it via email to the organizer.

Travel expenses are the responsibility of the participants or their respective federations.

The registration fee of € 50 has to be paid in advance to the organizing committee.

Final acceptance of registration is subject to the timely receipt of all payments.

Accommodation and meals

Accommodation will be provided in Mureck and the surrounding area.
All payments must be made via bank transfer (in euros only), by June 15, 2025, based on the proforma invoice.

The organizers make every effort to accommodate everyone as satisfactorily as possible and as close to the venue as possible. We are aware that the accommodation situation in Mureck can be challenging and therefore kindly request that you contact us as early as possible.

If you have special requirements – such as higher standards or a preference for self-catering accommodations – please let us know. We will do our best to find a suitable option and adjust the prices accordingly.

Standard accommodation/base price:

(Overnight stay with breakfast, in Mureck or nearby)

Category A: various accommodations (guesthouses/holiday apartments...)*

Double or triple room:	€ 49 per person
Single room:	€ 59 per person

Category B: Mureck Hostel ([see the pictures](#))**

Double or triple room:	€ 39 per person
Single room:	€ 49 per person

Add-on options:

New this year: meals will be served in the dining hall at the Mureck Hostel (about 200 meters from the venue) instead of in the tennis hall.

Half board (lunch):	+ € 10 per person/day
Full board (lunch + dinner):	+ € 20 per person/day

(Example: If you book full board, it's an additional € 20 per person/day on top of the base price for overnight stay with breakfast.)

* The organizer will try to accommodate delegations together whenever possible, although this cannot be guaranteed

** Only ~ 200m from the playing venue; simple but clean rooms with daily cleaning. Communal showers with private shower cabins. In 2024, each room had its own shower.

Bank Account:

Bank: Steiermärkische Bank & Sparkassen AG
IBAN: AT34 2081 5000 4357 3476
BIC/SWIFT: STSPAT2GXXX
Bank Address: 8010 Graz, Sparkassenplatz 4
Account Holder: Österreichische Schachjugend

Venue and Arrival

Kulturzentrum Mureck, Lorberplatz 4, A-8480 Mureck,
Mureck is located approximately 59 km south of Graz, near the Austrian–Slovenian border.

Schedule

Friday	August 1	15:00 – 22:00	arrival of delegations, registration
Saturday	August 2	14:30	opening ceremony
		15:00	Round 1
Sunday	August 3	09:30	Round 2
		15:00	Round 3
Monday	August 4	15:00	Round 4
Tuesday	August 5	09:30	Round 5
		~15:00	international blitz tournament
Wednesday	August 6	15:00	Round 6
Thursday	August 7	09:30	Round 7
		~15:00-18:30	side trip Motorikpark Gamlitz (website – 3D tour)
Friday	August 8	15:00	Round 8
Saturday	August 9	09:30	Round 9
		~14:30	closing ceremony, departure

Rules and regulations

The tournament will be played according to the Swiss System in 9 rounds within two groups *Open U08-U12* and *Open U14-U18*

The time control will be 90 minutes for the entire game plus 30 seconds increment per move, starting from move one.

Default time is 15 minutes for each round.

The tournament is rated int. Elo (FIDE Rating).

The tiebreak will be

- (1) Buchholz cut -1
- (2) Buchholz
- (3) Sonneborn-Berger
- (4) greater number of wins

Prizes

The first three players of the age categories U08, U10, U12, U14, U16, U18 will be awarded trophies

A lot of special prizes are waiting for the winners

Organizing Committee

Prof. Kurt Jungwirth (Honorary Vice President of FIDE & Honorary President of the Austrian Chess Federation)

Michael Stöttinger (President of the Austrian Chess Federation)

Chief arbiter

IA Herrmann Wilfling

Tournament director

Mag. Philipp Raeke

Miscellaneous

The results are continually updated during the rounds.

Snacks, coffee and drinks etc. can be purchased on site