







Tatrafest 2025

Tatra Cup: 05.10. – 12.10.2025 TatraBlitz: 09.10.2025

30th TatraBlitz

9.10.2025

Hotel SOREA Hutník***, Tatranské Matliare, Slovak Republic

Tournament director

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Organizer

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1. Basic information

1.1. Date: 9. October 2025

1.2. Total prize fund: 250 €1.3. Rounds: 9

1.4. Time control: 3 minutes per player per game with an increment of 2 seconds per move.

1.5. Venue: Hotel SOREA Hutník***

Tatranské Matliare, Vysoké Tatry, Slovakia www.sorea.sk/vysoke-tatry/hotel-sorea-hutnik-i

49° 10′ 36″ N 20° 17′ 8.5″ E

2. Participation

2.1. Entry fee: 0 € - GM and WGM

10€ - regular fee

Payment must be made until 7. October 2025 by card payment or bank transfer, the details

will be given after the online registration.

2.3. Registration: Every player, who paid the entry fee, must be personally presented prior the tournament

during the Attendance control (see 4.2.). Each attended player must have a FIDE ID. Not presented player during the Attendance control can join the tournament from the round

specified by the Chief arbiter.

2.4. Cancelation policy: The registration fee will be refunded (with a deduction of 3 € to cover the handling costs)

when participation is withdrawn in a written form by e-mail: at info@tatrafest.sk before 7

October, 2025. No refund will be granted after this date.

3. Prizes

The prize fund is 250 € as outline below:

3.1. Seven main prices:

1. Rank: 70 €,

2. Rank: 50 €, 3. Rank: 30 € Ranks 4.-5.: 20 €, Ranks 6.-7.: 10 €.

3.2. Two financial prizes in amount of 20€ for the winners in the following categories: 1. women, 2. players with ELO < 1800 (October 2025).

Category prizes will be only if the category is attended by at least 5 participants.

- 3.3. A player can get several prizes listed in 3.1, 3.2. i.e., all prices are cumulative.
- 3.5. The requirement for getting any prize is the attendance at the Prize Awards ceremony and photo shoot of winners. Financial prizes will be paid by bank transfer to a bank account, which the awarded participant declared the organizer in written form at the Prize Awards Ceremony, or to a bank account, from which the awarded participant has paid the entry fee.
- 3.6. Prices are taxed according to taxation law of Slovak Republic no. 595/2003 Z. z. "o dani z príjmov v znení neskorších predpisov".

4. System of play

- 4.1. Open FIDE rated tournament for players with a FIDE-ID.
- 4.2. Tournament schedule, Thursday 09. October 2025:

09:15 – 09:25 Attendance control

09:30 – 12:00 Rounds 1.-9.

Prize Awards ceremony right after finishing the last round.

- 4.3. The tournament will be played in 11 rounds, Swiss system, Swiss-Manager will be used for preparing pairings.
- 4.4. Time control: 3 minutes for the whole game with an increment of 2 seconds per move
- 4.5. Digital chess clocks will be used.
- 4.6. There will not be a live broadcast.
- 4.7. The tournament will be played according to the FIDE laws of chess, applying B.4.
- 4.8. Default time is 3 minutes after the start of each round announced by the chief arbiter.
- 4.9. In the playing area is forbidden eating, smoking and the consumption of alcohol and other narcotic psychotropic substances. Smoking is permitted only in the section of the venue designated by the hotel, where the tournament takes place.
- 4.10. The players are allowed to have electronic devices, which are switched off, in the playing area according to 11.3.2.1 FIDE laws of chess.

- 4.11. Players, arbiters, and everyone in the playing area must follow the dress code SMART CASUAL, while the clothing must not promote violence or any other kind of publicly disproportionate behavior.
- 4.12. The chief arbiter can impose a fine in amount of 30 € for every kind of interference of the third-party in the game.
- 4.13. At the beginning of the competition, the tournament director will nominate an Appeals committee according to Competition rules of Slovak chess federation. The player can lodge the appeal in accordance with Competition rules of Slovak chess federation. The protest must be accompanied with the sum of 20 €; otherwise, the committee will not take review the protest. The decisions of the Appeals Committee are final.
- 4.14. Criteria determining the final ranking (Tie-breaks): 1. Score; 2. Buchholz; 3. The greatest number of wins 4. mutual game; 5. The greater average of ratings of the opponents.
- 4.15. The tournament director is obliged to take all necessary measures for the smooth running of the tournament.

5. Safety and hygienical requirements

- 5.1. The tournament will be held in accordance with current and local regulations of the authorities.
- 5.2. In case the organizer has an opportunity to decide on some concrete safety or hygienical related regulations, the right to decide on this regulation has the Tournament director, with respect to the requirements designated by the hotel, where the tournament takes place.

6. Registration

- 6.1. Registration to the tournament is strictly online at the webpage www.tatrafest.sk.
- 6.2. Accommodation and meals are provided by each player individually.