





# FAIR PLAY PROVISIONS FOR THE FIDE WORLD AMATEUR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025

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# **INTRODUCTION**

Fair Play is adopting several - visible and invisible, on-site and remote - fair play measures during the tournament. Fair Play measures are aimed at creating a safe environment for players. The cooperation of all parties involved (organizers, players, arbiters, and fair play personnel) is key to this goal and will make it much easier for every involved party.

A Fair Play Officer is a highly trained expert who can handle different fair-play-related situations in the most effective way, minimizing the impact on the tournament and individual players. For this event – FIDE World Amateur Chess Championships 2025, the Chief Fair Play Officer is Bojana Bejatovic.

# **SPECIFIC MEASURES**

While it is not in the interest of the FP to share all the measures adopted during the tournament, it is important that players are aware of at least the following so that they are not emotionally impacted during play.

 All players will be scanned before each round. You are asked not to enter the playing hall before being scanned.

- If the FPO and the FPT are performing a scan on another player, please wait in line and do not pass the FP line.
- If you leave the playing room before the start of the round but after the FPO has scanned you, you will be scanned again.
- If you are late for the round, or if there is a queue, this is not the FP's fault: please wait patiently in line until it's your turn to be scanned.
- Please note that during and after the round, you may be subject to a new scan. Scans are not invasive, and usually they do not last more than 30 seconds.
- After the game, you may be asked for a post-game check.
- There will be a 15' delay in the broadcast of games. All games are subject to statistical screening.
- Players are not allowed to talk to the general public or any other third party while their game is in progress. Please try to avoid any sort of communication with associates and/or the general public.

During the round, the FPT will be using a wide array of long-range devices. These will not interrupt play, and players are advised not to mind any FP actions. Failure to cooperate with the FPO during the round may lead to sanctions.

If you have a special medical condition or are taking any medication, please inform the organizers in a timely manner so that the Fair Play Team (FPT) can be aware of your situation and take any additional measures if necessary.

#### **ACCESSING THE PLAYING AREA**

Accreditation is required to access the playing hall. VIPs and spectators shall be permitted to enter the playing hall during the round, but they are subject to prior security screening and inspection procedures. The authorization to remain in the playing hall may be modified or revoked at any time at the discretion of the CFPO/CA. The policy prohibiting mobile phones and all electronic devices and items listed below shall apply to all persons granted access. Personal belongings may be deposited in the designated locker area.

Authorized FIDE and LOC Media are allowed in the venue, with their operating gear needed for their work. FIDE Media rules apply.

It is forbidden to bring the following items into the playing area:

- Any electronic device and electronic items (mobile phones, tablets, cameras, laptops, electronic cigarettes, vapes, etc. - the list is not exhaustive!);
- Anything that is made out of materials that could possibly transfer any data or simply looks capable of transmitting data (sim cards, memory cards, etc. the list is not exhaustive!);

- Any sort of unauthorized watches, pens, sunglasses, headphones, earphones, earplugs and any other similar devices;
- Chess books, and other unnecessary items not specifically approved by the CFPO and the CA are not allowed in the playing hall and should be left out of the playing hall;
- Complex bags, backpacks and any other bags bigger than A4 are not allowed.

All forbidden items and any other belongings mentioned above shall be deposited in the designated locker area.

Possession of a forbidden item may lead to losing the current game, and further participation will be decided on the merits of the case by the CFPO/CA. This applies to players and other persons accessing the area.

# **POST-GAME CHECKS**

During a post-game check, inspections may be more thorough. You may be asked to cooperate at great length with the FPT (for example, removing shoes or any other specific item). The FPT will be using low- and high-tech devices to identify devices that are forbidden and hidden on your body. These devices are completely safe from a medical point of view. Please note that you are not allowed to go to the toilet in the timeframe between the end of your game and the post-game check. Failure to cooperate with the FPT during the post-game checks may lead to severe sanctions, including expulsion from the event.

# **COMPLAINTS**

Any Fair Play – related complaint must be submitted in written form. You can get the form from the Fair Play Officer or online at <a href="https://fpl.fide.com/itc-ptc-complaints/">https://fpl.fide.com/itc-ptc-complaints/</a>. Players and all other parties are strictly advised not to make their complaints public, as this may harm both their own interests and the tournament's integrity. The best way to deal with suspicions is discreetly. Please note that this does not mean that you cannot confidentially speak with the CFPO and share your concerns or doubts.

# **ADDITIONAL NOTES**

All games will be checked by Prof. Ken Regan's software, and the Chief Fair Play Officer will receive daily relevant reports.

These provisions are subject to change to ensure the best outcome for the event.