

BCF Open FIDE Rating Chess Tournament-2026

4th to 12th January, 2026

Tournament Rules

The tournament will be played in a 9 round Swiss-league system and will be governed by FIDE- the official laws of Chess (which were adopted at the 88th FIDE Congress at Goynuk, Antalya, Turkey) coming into force on 1 January 2018).

Time Control

Time control is: Each player has 60 minutes for whole game, with an increment of 30 seconds per move from move 1.

Default Time

The default time is 60 minutes from the starting of the round.

Tie-Breaking

If at the end of the tournament two or more players are tied for any place, prize money will be not being shared. Their final ranking will be decided following tie-breaking system and prize money distribute accordingly their final position.

- (a) Direct Encounter
- (b) Buchholz Tie-Breaks Variable (2023) (0,0,1,-,-) (84)
- (c) Buchholz Tie-Breaks Variable (2023) (0,0,0,-,-) (84)
- (d) Number of Wins (0 P) [68]
- (e) Sonneborn-Berger-Tie-Break (2023) (0,0,0,-,-) (85)

Arbiters

1.	IA Md Haroon Or Rashid	-	Chief Arbiter
2.	IA Shajahan Kabir	-	Deputy Chief Arbiter
3.	IA Md Anichuzzaman Jewel	-	Deputy Chief Arbiter
4.	NA Aminul Islam	-	Arbiter
5.	FA Rumana Ferdous	-	Arbiter
6.	NA Sangram Das	-	Arbiter

1. Protest, if any, must be submitted in written with 200.00 (Two Hundred) Taka fees to the appeal committee within two hours of completion of the playing session in question.

2. The committee shall decide before noon of the followed day and its decision is final.

Appeal Committee

IM Abu Sufian Shakil
FM Sheikh Nasir Ahmed
WIM Rani Hamid

Reserve

FM Md Saif Uddin
FA Yasin Arafat

Some important Rules

1. The ‘playing venue’ is defined as the ‘playing area’, rest rooms, toilets, refreshment area, area set aside for smoking and other places as designated by the arbiter. The playing area is defined as the place where the games of a competition

are played. Only with the permission of the arbiter can: a player leaves the playing venue. The player having the move be allowed to leave the playing area. A person who is neither a player nor arbiter be allowed access to the playing area. 2. (a) During play the players are forbidden to use any notes, sources of information or advice, or analyses any game on another chessboard.

(b) During play, a player is forbidden to have a mobile phone and/or other electronic means of communication in the playing venue. If it is evident that a player brought such a device into the playing venue, he shall lose the game. The opponent shall win. The rules of a competition may specify a different, less severe, penalty. The arbiter may require the player to allow his clothes, bags or other items to be inspected, in private. The arbiter or a person authorized by the arbiter shall inspect the player and shall be of the same gender as the player. If a player refuses to cooperate with these obligations, the arbiter shall take measures in accordance with Article 12.9. (c) Smoking is permitted only in the section of the venue designated by the arbiter. (d) Players who have finished their games shall be considered to be spectators. (e) It is forbidden to distract or annoy the opponent in any manner whatsoever. This includes unreasonable claims, unreasonable offers of a draw or the introduction of a source of noise into the playing area

Tournament Schedule

Day	Time	Round
04-01-2026	4:00 PM	1st
05-01-2026	3:00 PM	2nd
06-01-2026	3:00 PM	3rd
07-01-2026	3:00 PM	4th
08-01-2026	3:00 PM	5th
09-01-2026	3:00 PM	6th
10-01-2026	3:00 PM	7th
11-01-2026	3:00 PM	8th
12-01-2026	3:00 PM	9th
	7:30 PM	Prize Distribution Ceremony

Prizes

1st -50,000.00 Taka, 2nd -30,000.00 Taka, 3rd -20,00.00 Taka, 4th-15,000.00 Taka, 5th-10,000.00 Taka, 6th-10,000.00 Taka, 7th -8,000.00 Taka, 8th-6,000.00 Taka, 9th- 6,000.00 Taka, 10th-6,000.00 Taka, 11th-6,000.00 Taka, 12th-6,000.00 Taka, 13th-6,000.00 Taka

Categories:

Rating 1800-1999-5,000.00 Taka, 1600-1799-5,000.00 Taka, Unrated to 1599-5,000.00 Taka

Under-14-4,000.00 Taka, Under-10-4,000.00 Taka, Best Female: 4,000.00 Taka, Taka, Age 50+ 4,000.00 Taka

Prize money will be not shared among same pointers.

**Dr. Md Taibur Rahman
General Secretary**