

2ND OPEN RAPID CHESS TOURNAMENT

Sunday, 14th September 2025

Organised by: **Bright Bishops Chess Academy**

TOURNAMENT RULES

[Minutes of Technical Meeting]

1. **System:** The Tournament will be conducted as per FIDE Laws of Chess and FIDE Swiss League System (no elimination, you can play all the rounds).
2. **Time format:** **15 minutes + 10 seconds** increment per move starting from move 1.
3. **Categories:** **Separate Playing Categories - OPEN, Under 15, Under 12, Under 9, Under 7**
4. **Total number of rounds:** **7**
5. **Tie Break:** In case of tie, the followed tie-breaks shall be implemented: **1.** Buchholz Cut 1; **2.** Buchholz; **3.** Sonneborn Berger; **4.** Direct Encounter **5.** Greater number of victories (forfeits included); **6.** Number of victories with Black.
6. **Illegal moves:** First illegal will be marked by the Arbiter. Second illegal will result in loss of the game.
7. **Disputes:** In case of any disputes pertaining to the tournament, Chief Arbiter's decision shall be final and binding on all. However a player may appeal toward the Appeals Committee set for the tournament, within 15 minutes of the particular incident alongwith a written application and by paying ₹1000 as appeal fees.
8. **Default Time (Walkover time)** is 15 minutes (the completion of timer). If a player is absent for a round (or wishes to be absent for any round/s), he/ she should inform the Chief Arbiter before the next round pairing to retain their name in the pairing list. Otherwise, they will not be paired for the next round.
9. **Electronic Devices:** Any type of electronic devices, wrist watches, mobile phones are NOT ALLOWED inside the tournament hall during the round.
10. **Prize:** In case of a tie, the prize money will not be shared. Only one prize shall be given, whichever is higher.
11. **Discipline:** Loud talk, practice games in the tournament hall is strictly prohibited.
12. The Organiser reserves the right to admit or refuse any entry without assigning any reason. The Organiser also reserves the right of admission to the venue.
13. **Age category check:**
 - Under 15 - Born on or after 1st January 2010
 - Under 12 - Born on or after 1st January 2013
 - Under 09 - Born on or after 1st January 2016
 - Under 07 - Born on or after 1st January 2018
14. **Appeals committee:**
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.

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PLAYING SCHEDULE

| ROUND | DATE | TIME |
|----------------------------|------------|----------|
| 1 | 1/08/2025 | 9:30 AM |
| 2 | 10/08/2025 | 10:30 AM |
| 3 | 10/08/2025 | 11:45PM |
| LUNCH BREAK AFTER 3 ROUNDS | | |
| 4 | 10/08/2025 | 1:30 PM |
| 5 | 10/08/2025 | 2:45 PM |
| 6 | 10/08/2025 | 4:00 PM |
| 7 | 10/08/2025 | 5:15 PM |

- **Reporting time: 8:50 AM**
- **Players' Meet: 9:00 AM**
- **Prize Distribution Immediately after last round around 6:30 PM**
- **No need to physically report to the Arbiter desk if your name is included in the chess-results list.**

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