

REGULATIONS

INTERNATIONAL CHESS TOURNAMENT – 4th OPEN HVAR 2025

1. Chess Club Hvar, Hvar is organizing the **INTERNATIONAL CHESS TOURNAMENT – 4th OPEN HVAR 2025** in the Arsenal Hvar from **20th October to 26th October 2025**.
2. **The organizers of the tournament** are Božo Mišković (CRO, FIDE ID: 14512742) and Ivica Bilandžić (CRO, FIDE ID: 14597500).
3. All players with a **FIDE ID number** are eligible to participate, **as long as neither they or their federation are under suspension from FIDE**.
Players must register in person on **20th October 2026, from 10:00 to 14:00**, and pay the entry fee in accordance with the tournament regulations.
According to the regulations, entry fees paid by **31st August 2026** are as follows:
 - **60 €** for all players except cadets
 - **40 €** for cadets (players born in 2009 or later)
 - **Entry fees paid after 31st August 2026 are €90 for regular participants and €60 for cadets.**

Entry fees are to be paid to:

ŠK HVAR Hvar, Fabrika 13, 21450 Hvar

IBAN: HR04 2340009 1110838434 (Privredna banka Zagreb)

SWIFT: PBZGHR2X

Players not registered for the 4th Hvar Open 2025 by 14:00 may participate only with the approval of the organizer and the chief arbiter.

4. The tournament will be played in **9 rounds**, Swiss system, **FIDE variant** (pairing via Swiss Manager). Time control is 90 minutes per player for the entire game with 30 seconds increment per move from move one.

Players must keep score until the conclusion of the game.

Players arriving later than 30 minutes after the scheduled start shall lose the game by forfeit.

Games shall be played in accordance with the FIDE Laws of Chess.

5. The tournament is **FIDE rated (Standard)** and is eligible for **title norms**.
6. The rounds of the tournament will be conducted as follows:

I round – 20.10. at 15:30

II round – 21.10. at 9:00

III round – 21.10. at 16:00

IV round – 22.10. at 15:30

V round – 23.10. at 9:00

VI round – 23.10. at 16:00

VII round – 24.10. at 15:30

VIII round – 25.10. at 15:30

IX round – 26.10. at 9:00

Opening ceremony: 20th October 2025 at 15:20

Closing ceremony and prize distribution: 26th October, 20 minutes after the end of 9th round.

7. There are no postponed games. A player who fails to appear for a round and does not provide a valid justification to the arbiters shall not be paired in subsequent rounds and shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the tournament.

A player who notifies of their absence due to illness or another valid reason shall not be paired and shall score 0 points for that round. Each player is allowed to request one bye (non-pairing) in any of the first five rounds. In such a case, the player will not be paired for that round and will receive half a point.

8. **Tournament arbiters:**

Chief Arbiter: IA NENAD DORIĆ (FIDE ID: 14501694)

Deputy Chief Arbiter: NA ILIJA KNEZOVIĆ (FIDE ID: 14538466)

Arbiters: NA NENO SIMUNIĆ (FIDE ID: 14515709) and NA PALIĆ PAVLE (FIDE ID: 14515237)

9. Chief arbiter's decisions are final and binding.

10. **The total prize fund is 18,600 €, of which 11,400 € are main prizes and 7,200 € special prizes. Prizes shall be paid to the winners' bank accounts within 7 days after the conclusion of the tournament.**

Main Prizes (€):

1st prize 3,000	2nd prize 2,100	3rd prize 1,500
4th prize 1,100	5th prize 900	6th prize 800
7th prize 700	8th prize 600	9th prize 500

Special Prizes (€):

- Best players over 60 (born 1965 or earlier):
1) 600 2) 400 3) 250
- Best female players:
1) 600 2) 400 3) 250
- Best players under 20 (born 2005 or later):
1) 600 2) 400 3) 250
- Best players under 16 (born 2009 or later):
1) 600 2) 400 3) 250
- Best players ELO 2101–2300:
1) 300 2) 200 3) 100
- Best players ELO 1901–2100:
1) 300 2) 200 3) 100
- Best players ELO 1701–1900:
1) 300 2) 200 3) 100
- Best players ELO 0–1700:
1) 300 2) 200 3) 100

Prizes will be distributed based on the final standings, as specified in point 10 of the regulations.

For female players, cadets (U16), and juniors (U20), special prizes are cumulative.

If a player (excluding the above categories) wins multiple prizes, only the highest or equal prize shall be awarded.

The winner of the 4th Open Hvar 2025 will receive a commemorative prize.

11. **A player who did not participate in the last round of the tournament loses the right to a prize.**

12. In case of a tie, the standings will be determined by:
- a) Reduced Buchholz 1 (without the lowest opponent)
 - b) Buchholz
 - c) Sonneborn-Berger
 - d) Head-to-head result(s)
 - e) Number of wins
 - f) Arranz system
 - g) Drawing of lots
13. SK Hvar, the organizer of the 4th Open Hvar 2025, will provide standard chess sets and valid digital clocks.
14. **The winning player must report the result to the arbiter.**
In case of a draw, it is the duty of the player with white pieces to report the result.
The submission of results requires delivering both signed original score sheets.
15. **Players are prohibited from having any electronic devices during the game, unless permission is granted by the arbiter.**
Such equipment may be kept in the player's bag, switched off, and placed in a location designated by the arbiter.
The use of the bag is strictly forbidden for both players.

A player shall not leave the playing area (including the hall or smoking zone) while the game is in progress.
Any violation shall result in the loss of the game.
16. **Smoking and the use of electronic cigarettes are strictly prohibited in the playing area.**
17. **Data Protection (GDPR):** By registering for the 4th Hvar Open 2025, players give their consent to the processing of personal data (such as name, age, rating, title, club/team affiliation, etc.) and to the use of tournament photographs and games.
18. **By participating in the 4th Hvar Open 2025, players agree to abide by these regulations.**

ORGANIZER
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IVICA BILANDŽIĆ, president

