REGULATIONS

XIII TORNEIO INTERNACIONAL CIDADE DE FAMALICÃO

1. Organization / Support

1.1. The tournament is organized by the A2D Chess Club - Didáxis Academic Association, with the support of FIDE – International Chess Federation (FIDE Open Aid Project – Freedom Holding Corp), FPX - Portuguese Chess Federation (Portugal Chess Tour 2026), Vila Nova de Famalicão City Council, the Didáxis Teaching Cooperative and the company Peixoto Rodrigues.

1.2. This tournament is part of the *Portugal Chess Tour 2025/2026* of the FPX and will be valid for international norms and approved for FIDE rating.

2. Date / Venue

The tournament will take place at the Didáxis Sports Complex – Riba de Ave, between July 20th and 26th, 2026.
Address: Rua António Sérgio 188, 4765-909 Riba de Ave
GPS Coordinates: 41.395988472853375, -8.39115028335092
Google Maps: https://maps.app.goo.gl/u8Bi8Tj72rxp1RYw9

3. Direction and Arbiters

Tournament Director: Mário Jorge Rodrigues Oliveira (AO)
Phone Contact: [+351] 933285684
Chief Arbiter: Luciano Rietter (IA)
Deputy Chief Arbiter: António Cardoso (FA)
Arbiters: Carlos Dias (NA), Ivo Dias (NA), Paulo Costa (NA)

4. Participation

All affiliated with the FPX in the 2025/2026 season will be able to participate.

5. Registrations

5.1. Registrations are made directly on the official tournament page in www.ticfxadrez.com, here all information can be consulted, or through the form https://forms.gle/BLC9Aa6SXichsazK8.

5.2. The following data must be indicated:

- full name; telephone number and email address
- date of birth and nationality
- club
- FIDE ID and rating
- payment proof

5.3. Deadlines and Registration Fees

1st registration deadline until June 29th, 2026:

Player	Type	Fee
Seniors	General	40 €
Veterans	General	35 €
Under 08-10-12-14-16-18-20	Geral	30 €
CX A2D and RIBACHESS Players	CX A2D RIBACHESS	10 €
FIDE rating: > 2350		Free
GM, IM, WGM, WIM, FM, WFM		Free

2nd deadline: applications made from June 29th to July 13th, 2026:

Player	Type	Fee
Seniors	General	50 €
Veterans	General	45 €
Under 08-10-12-14-16-18-20	Geral	40 €
CX A2D and RIBACHESS Players	CX A2D RIBACHESS	10 €
FIDE rating: > 2350		Free
GM, IM, WGM, WIM, FM, WFM		Free

3rd deadline: applications made from July 14th to 19th, 2026:

Player	Type	Fee
Seniors	General	60 €
Veterans	General	55 €
Under 08-10-12-14-16-18-20	Geral	50 €
CX A2D and RIBACHESS Players	CX A2D RIBACHESS	10 €
FIDE rating: > 2350		Free
GM, IM, WGM, WIM, FM, WFM		Free

Bank Name: Santander. **Account holder:** Associação Académica da Didáxis.
NIB: 0018 000340755100020 55 => for national transactions
IBAN: PT50 0018 000340755100020 55 => for international transactions

5.4. The amount to be paid is net for the Organization, so any payment expenses will be the responsibility of the payer. The participant must provide proof of payment of the fee by sending, by email, a copy of the transfer receipt to the tournament address

and add it to the registration form. After receiving this receipt, the Organization will confirm the registration, which then becomes final.

5.5. The Organization reserves the right to refuse a registration. Registrations will be closed if the maximum capacity of the room is reached.

5.6. In case of cancellation of a registration already paid, the Organization will refund 100% of the amount provided that the cancellation request occurs before the end of the 1st period. Any bank charges should be borne by the player.
Registration fees will not be refunded after the end of the first deadline.

6. Schedule

6.1. Date and time of session:

Round	Date		Time
	20/07/2026	Confirmation (limit)	19:45
1st	20/07/2026	Monday	20:00
2nd	21/07/2026	Tuesday	14:00
3rd	21/07/2026	Tuesday	20:00
4th	22/07/2026	Wednesday	20:00
5th	23/07/2026	Thursday	14:00
6th	23/07/2026	Thursday	20:00
7th	24/07/2026	Friday	20:00
Blitz Open	25/07/2026	Saturday	~~10:00~~ 17:00 (new)
8th	25/07/2026	Saturday	~~14:00~~ 20:00 (new)
9th	26/07/2026	Sunday	14:00

Closing ceremony and awards ceremony 15 minutes after the end of the last round.
Players must confirm their presence at the game venue before 19:45 on July 20th, 2026 or they will not be paired in the 1st round.

6.2. The Organization, for reasons it considers to be force majeure, may introduce adjustments.

7. System and rate of play

7.1. Swiss system of 9 rounds. The Swiss-Manager software, approved by FIDE, will be used for pairing, tie-breaking and classification purposes.
If the tournament management deems it necessary, an accelerated system may be used in the first rounds.

7.2. Each player will have 90 minutes to finish the game, with a 30 second increment per move.

7.3. The tolerance/waiting time for any absences at the board, after the start of each round, will be 30 minutes.

7.4. Any agreement to a draw before 30 moves have been completed by both players is prohibited without the agreement of the arbiter.

7.5. Players (except invited players) may request a maximum of 3 half point (½) byes in the first 5 rounds and must inform the chief arbiter and the competition organization at least 24 hours before the start of the round in question (by filling the appropriate form). Bye requests for the 1st round must be made in writing, at least 24 hours before the start of the round, by email ticfxadrez@gmail.com .

8. No-shows/Forfeits

8.1. Players who fail to appear in the 1st round will be eliminated from the tournament by the Organization, except in unforeseen situations accepted by the organization.

8.2. Players who fail to appear twice will be eliminated.

9. Tie-break criteria

If two or more players finish with the same number of points, the following criteria will be applied:

a) Direct encounter [code 81];
b) *Bucholz*, without the worst result [code 84] (0,0,1, -,-, 0);
c) Buchholz [code 84] (0,0,0, -,-, 0);
d) Sonneborn-Berger [code 85] (0,0,0, -,);
e) Greater number of games [code 65];
f) Highest number of wins, excluding forfeit wins [code 68] (0,-);
g) Draw of lots

10. Restrictions

10.1. It is strictly forbidden, and without any margin of tolerance, to bring any electronic device into the playing area. At the entrance, there will be a reception where electronic devices can be left.

10.2. When a player finishes the game, becomes a spectator and must leave the game playing area so as not to disturb the other players.

10.3. It will not be permitted to analyze finished games, nor to smoke or eat in the playing area.

11. Participation subsidies and prizes 6.000 € + 2.000 € (new)

General/Open:

1st ..... 1 500 € + Trophy + Medal
2nd ..... 1 000 € + Medal
3rd ..... ~~750~~ € + Medal 800 € (new)
4th ..... ~~500~~ € + Medal 600 € (new)
5th ..... ~~300~~ € + Medal 400 € (new)
6th to 10th ..... ~~150~~ € + Medal 200 € (new)
11th to 14th ..... 100 €+ Medal (new)

Women:

1st ..... ~~150 €~~ + Medal 300 € (new)
2nd ..... ~~100 €~~ + Medal 200 € (new)
3rd ..... ~~50 €~~ + Medal 150 € (new)
4th ..... 100 € +Medal (new)
5th ..... 50 € + Medal (new)

Seniors and Veterans:

1st Over +50 years ..... 150 € + Medal
2nd ..... 60 € + Medal (new)
3rd ..... 40 € + Medal (new)
1st Over +65 years ..... 150 € + Medal
2nd ..... 60 € + Medal (new)
3rd ..... 40 € + Medal (new)

Rating prizes:

1st under 2200 (Elo 2000 - 2199) ..... 150 € + Medal
2nd ..... 60 € + Medal (new)
3rd ..... 40 € + Medal (new)
1st under 2000 (Elo 1800 - 1999) ..... 150 € + Medal
2nd ..... 60 € + Medal (new)
3rd ..... 40 € + Medal (new)
1st under 1800 (Elo 1600 - 1799) ..... 150 € + Medal
2nd ..... 60 € + Medal (new)
3rd ..... 40 € + Medal (new)
1st under 1600 (Elo 0000 - 1599) ..... 150 € + Medal
2nd ..... 60 € + Medal (new)
3rd ..... 40 € + Medal (new)

11.1. Other prizes will also be awarded: first-placed players by age group and first team. For the team classification, the points of the 4 best-placed players from each team are summed. In case of a tie on points, the best-placed player (from each team) will break the tie between the tied teams.

11.2. Prizes are cumulative.

11.3. To be eligible for the prizes, players need to participate in the closing session.

12. Appeal Committee

12.1. An appeal committee will be appointed, the composition of which will be announced at the start of the competition, consisting of the tournament director, two regular members and two substitutes.

12.2. Procedure: Appeals against decisions of the chief arbiter must be submitted in writing, in Portuguese or English, to the Chairman of the Appeals Committee within 30 minutes after the end of the round, accompanied by a deposit of €100. This deposit will be returned to the complainant if the Appeals Committee's decision is favorable. Otherwise, it will revert to the tournament organization.

12.3. The decisions of the Appeals Committee shall not be subject to appeal.

13. Sanitary Measures

13.1. The tournament will be subject to the current health regulations of the health authority (DGS), as well as those of the FPX and FIDE, as appropriate.

13.2. At the end of a game, players must call the arbiter without leaving the table. The arbiter records the result and collects the scoresheets.

13.3. There will be no spectators in the playing area during the entire competition. Players who have finished their games must also leave the playing area.

14. Final Provisions

14.1. The Organization reserves the right of admission.

14.2. Registration and participation presuppose express acceptance of the provisions contained in these regulations; of the FPX and FIDE regulations where applicable.

14.3. Players must appear in the game room, wearing appropriate attire for the event, and behave in a correct and sporting manner during the competition.

14.4. Participants authorize the Organization to use the personal data provided, as well as photos or videos, for their dissemination on the internet and social media.

14.5. Anything not covered by these rules will be resolved by applying the FPX and FIDE rules. Any situations that still exist will be resolved by the tournament organization.

14.6. The official version of the Regulations is the Portuguese version, with the English version being a translation.

Vila Nova de Famalicão, ~~April 26th, 2026~~ June 19-th, 2026.
Clube de Xadrez A2D.