

# **1st OPEN RAPID CHESS TOURNAMENT by RAMADA CLUJ**

February 24<sup>th</sup> 2018 Cluj-Napoca

Registration to 1st Open Rapid Chess Tournament by Ramada Cluj implies knowledge and acceptance of these **regulations**. The breach of any of the rules listed below may result in the loss of a game or even in the dismissal from the tournament. The regulations can be found on the official website [www.pegascluj.ro](http://www.pegascluj.ro) and will be listed at the tournament hall.

## **I. Organizer**

- I.1. The organizer of the The 1st Open Rapid Chess Tournament by Ramada Cluj is Pegas Cluj S.C., represented by Marcu-Lăpădat Alin.
- I.2. The tournament will take place on February 24<sup>th</sup> 2018, at Ramada Hotel Cluj-Napoca (Akantus and Ferdinand Halls)
- I.3. Venue: Hotel Ramada, Calea Turzii nr. 43-49, Cluj-Napoca

## **II. System. Rate of play**

- II.1. There is one open section, without age or rating limit.
- II.2. System: Swiss
- II.3. Number of rounds: 9
- II.4. Rate of play: 12 minutes +5sec/move

## **III. Schedule**

III.1 The tournament will take place on February 24<sup>th</sup>, having the following schedule:

- 8:30 – 9:30AM Registration and confirmation
- 9:30 – 10:00AM Opening and technical meeting
- 10:00AM Rounds 1-4
- 1PM – 2:30PM Lunch break
- 2:30PM Rounds 5-9
- 7PM Prize-giving and closing ceremony

III.2. The length of the lunch break, as well as the start time of Round 5 will be announced at the beginning of Round 4.

III.3. Depending on the tournament progress, the organizer may decide to modify the schedule.

#### **IV. Playing conditions**

- IV.1. The Romanian players must be signed in a chess club.
- IV.2. The players must have been paid their annual fee.
- IV.3. Foreign players must have FIDE ID.

#### **V. Registration**

- V.1. The number of participants is limited by the playing halls capacity.
- V.2. The organizer will announce reaching the upper limit of the participants and will deny further registrations.
- V.3. The registration procedure is as it follows:
  - Firstly, the organizer should be contacted by e-mail [pegascluj@gmail.com](mailto:pegascluj@gmail.com) or by filling in the form on [www.pegascluj.ro](http://www.pegascluj.ro), requesting the registration in the tournament.
  - If the request is accepted, the player will pay the entry fee according to the organizers's indications and will send the payment proof by e-mail.
- V.4. The registrations, as well as the payment proofs, can be sent no later than 22nd February 2018,
- V.5. The organizer reserves the right to refuse any entry.
- V.6. The registration is finalized only after paying the entry fee. A player that registers and also pays the entry fee has priority over a player that has registered before, but didn't pay the entry fee.

#### **VI. Entry fee**

- VI.1. The entry fee:
  - 80 lei – for all foreign players
  - free – for players with rapid rating > 2400, if they register no later than 20<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018.

#### **VII. Prizes**

- VII.1. The prizes can be found in the invitation or brochure.
- VII.2. The official sums are expressed in lei (Romanian currency). The sums expressed in euros are rounded and are only for illustration.
- VII.3. The amounts exceeding 600 lei will be taxable according to Romanian laws.
- VII.4. For the first 10 prizes (general standing), Hort System will be applied, for the announced number of prizes.
- VII.5. The prizes are not cumulative. The higher prize will be given by default.
- VII.6. The prizes can be awarded only during the prize ceremony. A player that is not present in the hall when his prize is awarded loses the right to take the prize.
- VII.7. When receiving the prize, the player must provide an identity card or passport.

## **VIII. Tie-breaks**

VIII.1. The tie-breaks are the following:

1. Direct encounter
2. Buchholz Cut 1
3. Buchholz
4. Sonneborn-Berger
5. The greater number of games with Black

VIII.2. The tie-breaks will be used in the above order.

## **IX. Arbitration**

IX.1. The tournament main arbiter will be IA Chirilă Radu-Cătălin. Assistant arbiters will be Toma-Andreica Alin și FA Raț Dan-Ovidiu.

IX.2. Depending on the number of players, the organizer may designate additional assistants.

IX.3. There will be no Appeals Committee. A player that is not content with an assistant arbiter's decision may appeal to the main arbiter, whose decision is definitive.

## **X. Mobile phones/electronic devices**

X.1. During a game, a player is forbidden to have a mobile phone, electronic means of communication or any device capable of suggesting chess moves on their person in the playing venue. However, such devices can be stored in a player's bag, as long as the device is completely switched off. The organizers should provide the bags for this purpose.

X.2. A player is forbidden to carry a bag holding such a device, without permission of the arbiter. If it is evident that a player has such a device on their person in the playing venue, the player shall lose the game. The opponent shall win.

## **XI. Miscellaneous**

XI.1. The default time is: 12 minutes + 5sec.

XI.2. Players are allowed a half-point bye in the first round. If a player needs one or more byes in rounds 2-9, zero points will be given for each.

XI.3. To be able to take a bye in the first round, a player needs to confirm his participation with pre-payment of the entry fee.

XI.4. A player that misses a round without adequate notice will be eliminated for the rest of the rounds.

XI.5. The winners (or both players in the case of a draw) will be responsible for communicating the results of their games to the arbiters. If the outcome of a game has not been notified to the arbiters team, both players will be considered to have lost that game.