



Asian Nations Cup Online Under-14 (Open & Girls) Chess Team Championships, 27 -29 March 2021

**To All FIDE Affiliated Chess Federation in Asia
Zone 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6 and 3.7**

Sri Lanka Chess Federation, on behalf of the Asian Chess Federation and FIDE, invites your Federation to participate in the Asian Nations Cup Online Under-14 (Open & Girls) Team Chess Championships 2021 to be held on 27-29 March 2021 on Chess.com platform.

Regulation:

1. Participation

- 1.1. All Chess Federations in Zones 3.1 to 3.7 shall have the right to participate in the Asian Nations Cup Under-14 Team Championships 2021.
- 1.2. Team Composition: Each Federation shall have the right to be represented by a team of four players and one reserve in both events. The Captain of a team may be a player or a reserve.
- 1.3. Each federation shall have the right to be represented by two teams in each category (Total 4 teams) but can only have one trophy per category.
- 1.4. The host country may have a third team in each event and shall hold a fourth team in reserve but can win only one team trophy.
- 1.5. The Chief of Delegation represents the Federation and takes full responsibility for the conduct of members of its delegation.
- 1.6. Eligibility: The players must be members of their Federation per detailed eligibility rules in FIDE Handbook Reg. B.04. Players should not have reached the age of 14 before 1st January 2021.
- 1.7. An Entry Fee of 50 USD per team in category and 100 USD per every additional Team is charged

2. Schedule of the tournament

Friday	27 March	Rounds 1-3	11:30 -16:00 Colombo time
Saturday	28 March	Rounds 4-6	11:30 -16:00 Colombo time
Sunday	29 March	Rounds 7-9	11:30 -16:00 Colombo time

3. Organization

- 3.1. Confirmation of Entry – By 15th March 2021, each federation accepting the invitation will send its entry using attached Entry Form to the organizing federation with copies to the Asian Chess Federation.
- 3.2. Submission of team lists – Each participating federation shall send to the organizing federation the overall team lists of 5 members (4 players and 1 reserve) and Head of Delegation.
- 3.3. Relevant Entry fee should be transferred to the following account and a proof of transfer should be attached with the Entry Form

Bank Details are as follows:

A/C Name – Chess Federation of Sri Lanka

Address – 151/12, Siridhamma Mawatha, Colombo 10, Sri Lanka

Bank – Bank of Ceylon Branch - Bambalapitiya

Bank Address – Unity Plaza, Bambalaitiya, Colombo 04, Sri Lanka.

A/C Number – 718386

Swift Code - BCEYLKLX

- 3.4. A passport size Photograph of each Team Member also should be sent with the Entry form.

4. Tournament Regulations

- 4.1. The Asian Chess Federation President represents the interests of the Continent and is empowered to take the final decision on all questions relating to the Championship as a whole. A Technical Delegate shall be appointed by the Asian Chess Federation president.
- 4.2. The championships shall be played in a Swiss System of nine rounds or Round Robin with ten or fewer teams. Teams from the same country with more than 50% score shall not play each other in the last round.
- 4.3. Matches shall be played over four boards.
- 4.4. The team captain shall present to the arbiter ten minutes before the start of a round the specific lists, in board order, of the 4 players who are to play in each round.

4.5. If any specific team list is not presented on time, the team in question must play the round using the top four players.

4.6. The order of the players, as indicated by the overall team list, cannot be altered, hence reserves may play on the bottom boards only.

5. Time Control

5.1. The time control is 15 minutes + 10 seconds.

6. Chief Arbiter

6.1. With the consultation of the organizer, the Asian Chess Federation President shall nominate the Chief Arbiter and other Arbiters.

6.2. The Chief Arbiter may, in consultation with the Asian Chess Federation, issue additional written regulations to inform the exact playing hours and take care of other details not covered by these regulations.

7. Appeals Committee

7.1. Before the beginning of the tournament an Appeals Committee shall be selected.

7.2. The Asian Chess Federation President shall nominate the Chairman. The Committee shall be composed of three members and two reserves. The persons chosen for the Appeals Committee shall represent five different Federations.

7.3. No member of the committee shall have the right to vote on questions concerning his own federation. However, every member is entitled to participate in the discussions.

7.4. Protests, including protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter or his assistants, must be submitted in writing to the Chairman of the Appeals Committee within 10 minutes after completion of the playing session.

7.5. A protest fee of \$100 shall be charged to the federation. If the protest is upheld, the protest fee will be returned, otherwise it shall be forfeited to the organizing federation.

8. Scoring

8.1. The scores determining the finishing order are calculated as follows.

8.2. Each team's place in the order of classification will be decided by the number of match points it has scored. Winner will get 2 points, a draw will give each team 1 point, and a loss is scored as 0 points.

- 8.3. If any teams finish with equal match points, the tie shall be resolved as follows:
- a. by game points in total.
 - b. if a tie again results, the scores obtained by the tying teams against each other will decide, i.e. Direct Encounter.
 - c. if a tie again results, then the sum of Sonnenborn-Berger points will be used, calculated as follows:
 1. by the sum of the game points of all opponents defeated plus one half of the game points of all the opponents with which a tied result was achieved. If a tie still results, then
 2. match points of each opponent, excluding the opponent who scored the lowest number of match points, multiplied by the number of game points achieved against this opponent;
 - d. if a tie again results, it shall be decided by Direct Encounter board count (Berlin System) as follows:
 - win on Board 1 = 4 points
 - win on Board 2 = 3 points
 - win on Board 3 = 2 points
 - win on Board 4 = 1 point

In case of drawn games these points are shared. If the board-count results is no victory for either side then the board points of Board 4 are cancelled and so on upwards until the tie is broken.

if a tie still results between teams in contention for medals, these teams shall play one blitz match (with 3 mins + 2 sec increment) against each other. In the case of two teams, colors on top board will be reversed from previous encounter; in case of tie apply (d) above. In case of tie, the top board of each team shall play a sudden death match.

9. Awards

- 9.1. The title of Asian Online Nations Cup Under-14 Team Champion 2021 is bestowed on the winning team.
- 9.2. Each winning teams shall receive a Certificates from the organizer.
- 9.3. Each member of the winning teams (players, reserves and captain) shall receive Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals with a Trophy. The host team may receive only one team certificate in each category but shall be entitled to individual board medals.
- 9.4. The Chess Federation of Sri Lanka has arranged to give a DGT Chess Clock each to the Players of Champion Teams in both categories.**

9.5. Individual Chess Certificates for Board Prizes

Players assigned to the same board number in their respective team lists shall be in competition for individual board prizes namely: gold, silver and bronze medals. For the purposes of this award, the players' performance rating shall be compared. If the performance rating is equal, the tie shall be broken in the following order:

- (a) the number of games;
- (b) Direct Encounter;
- (c) average rating of opponents, higher is better.
- (d) the greater number of wins.

Only players who have played a minimum of 6 games shall be eligible for board prizes.

10. Contact Information:

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