



**AGROBANK NATIONAL SCHOLASTIC  
CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2023  
FOR U 7, U 9, U 11, U 13, U 15, and U 17 AGE GROUPS  
(Open and Girls)  
AGROBANK TRAINING CENTRE (ABADI) BANGI, SELANGOR  
27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

**ORGANIZER**

The **AGROBANK NATIONAL SCHOLASTIC CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2023** is organized by the Malaysian Chess Federation (MCF) with cooperation from AGROBANK and assisted by the Chess Association of Selangor (CAS), Kuala Lumpur Chess Association (KLCA) and Persatuan Catur Putrajaya (PUTRA).

**INTRODUCTION**

The Malaysian Chess Federation (MCF – Persekutuan Catur Malaysia) invites all chess players to participate in AGROBANK NATIONAL SCHOLASTIC CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2023 for the Age Groups – Under 7, Under 9, Under 11, Under 13, Under 15, and Under 17 (for Open and Girls) to be held at the AGROBANK Training Centre, Bangi, Selangor Darul Ehsan from 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023

**GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS**

The AGROBANK NATIONAL SCHOLASTIC CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2023 is an individual event separated by 6 age categories – Under 7, Under 9, Under 11, Under 13, Under 15, and Under 17 for both Open and Girls sections. The event is a National Rated event and will be governed by the FIDE Laws of Chess

The maximum number of total entries accepted for the event is set at 500 players. Entries received beyond this number may not be accepted – pending availability of space/tables.

**EVENT DATES**

The event is scheduled from 27<sup>th</sup> January (Friday) to 29<sup>th</sup> January (Sunday) 2023.

**PARTICIPATION**

Player's eligibility for each of the age group – based on date of birth, are as follows:

- Under-07: Born on or after 1 January 2016
- Under-09: Born on or after 1 January 2014
- Under-11: Born on or after 1 January 2012
- Under-13: Born on or after 1 January 2010
- Under-15: Born on or after 1 January 2008
- Under-17: Born on or after 1 January 2006

## REQUIREMENT FOR REGISTRATION

Registration must be made via the official Registration portal.

All players must have MCF ID prior to Registering for the event. As this is NOT A FIDE Rated event, FIDE ID IS NOT COMPULSORY

Players from the lower age group are allowed to play in the higher age group, and Girls players are allowed to play in the Open event but, for representation/eligibility purposes at international events, these players will only be eligible/selection for the age group and gender that they have participated in.

## REGISTRATION LINK

Please register via the following link: <https://forms.gle/gPSBLaRTEPgphCKM9>

Registration via other forms including via email/Whatsapp, WILL NOT BE ENTERTAINED

## ENTRY FEES

**The Entry Fee is RM50 per player** and the Proof of Payment must be attached when completing the registration.

Players who do not have an MCF ID are required to register for MCF ID at RM20 via the following link at <https://rating.malaysiachess.my/register.aspx>. Please take note that approval for MCF ID may take between 3 and 5 days.

All payments are to be made to the following MCF Accounts.

<b>Account Name</b>	<b>PERSEKUTUAN CATUR MALAYSIA</b>
<b>Bank Name</b>	<b>CIMB</b>
<b>Account Number</b>	<b>8000649725</b>

## TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Number of Rounds	7 Rounds or 8 Rounds
System Used	Swiss or Round Robin
Time Control	30 minutes + 30 second increment
Waiting Time	15 minutes
Tie Break	1. Personal Encounter                      2. Buchholz Cut 1 3. Buchholz                                      4. Sonneborn Berger 5. Cumulative

## PLAYING FORMAT

The number of rounds to be played including the format of play – either Swiss or Round Robin, will only be determined once MCF has received the final list of players. Where possible, a minimum of 7 Rounds Swiss or a maximum of 8 Rounds Swiss shall be played for each category.

As and where necessary, MCF reserves the right to combine two or more age categories into a single category. In such a situation, the ranking for the respective age category and number of prizes to be given away, will remain as is.

## SCHEDULE

EVENT DAY	DAY	DATE	TIME	AGENDA
Day 1	Fri	27-Jan-23	10:00am	Confirmation of Registration
				<b>BREAK FOR FRIDAY PRAYERS</b>
			2:30pm	Players Briefing
			3:00pm	Opening Ceremony
Day 2	Sat	28-Jan-23	3:30pm	Round 1
			8:30am	Round 2
			10:45am	Round 3
				<b>BREAK for LUNCH</b>
			2:30pm	Round 4
Day 3	Sun	29-Jan-23	4:45pm	Round 5
			8:30am	Round 6
			10:45am	Round 7
				<b>BREAK for LUNCH</b>
			2:30pm	Round 8
			5:00pm	Closing and Prize Giving
			6:00pm	Departure

## CLOSING DATE

Closing date for the event shall be 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023 or once the total number of entries has reached 500 players. Entries accepted after this date or after the maximum number of players, shall be at organizer's discretion and will be subjected to a penalty of RM50.

No entries will be accepted nor entertained after the 20<sup>th</sup> of January 2023

## PRIZES and AWARDS

Each playing section and category for both the Open and Girls event will earn the following:

Champion	Gold Medal + Certificate of Excellence
Runner Up	Silver Medal + Certificate of Excellence
Third	Bronze Medal + Certificate of Excellence
4 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup>	Medal + Certificate of Achievement

All certificates will only be produced after the tournament has completed and will be distributed via email. There is no cash prize for this event.

## TRAVELING, ACCOMMODATION & MEALS

All players participating in the AGROBANK NATIONAL SCHOLASTIC CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2023 including parents, coaches, and other accompanying members of the participants, shall be responsible for their own travelling cost, accommodation and meals including their own safety and well-being before, during, after and throughout the duration of the event.

The Malaysian Chess Federation, Agrobank, members and groups involved as organizing committee for the event, shall not be held responsible for any expenses, financial losses and/or injury of any kind, terminal or fatal, experienced, or sustained by the player and/or their parents, coaches, or other accompanying members including spectators before, during, after and throughout the duration of the event.

## INTERPRETATION OF THESE RULES and REGULATIONS

At any time during the duration of the AGROBANK NATIONAL SCHOLASTIC CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2023, any issues or grounds that are not covered or any unforeseen events that are not specified in this Rules and Regulations, shall be referred to the Organizing Committee, the Tournament Director and the Chief Arbiter for interpretation and final decision.

## **COVID19 PRACTICES**

Although the enforcement for COVID19 SOPs have eased, in the interest of public safety and well-being, the organizer suggests that players/accompanying persons/spectators who are not well, or showing symptoms of being ill, are requested to discontinue from participating in the event. Those who are not adhering to this request, may be removed from the tournament hall and/or expelled from the tournament

The Organizer will continue to practice online announcements policies with pairings to be posted on chess-results.com. No physical notices will be posted in the playing area unless necessary or critical.

## **SELECTION FOR ASIAN and ASEAN LEVEL EVENTS as MALAYSIAN OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE**

The champions of each of the Age Section and Category shall be given a direct ticket to participate at the ASIAN and ASEAN Schools/Scholastic events for the current year as the official Malaysian representative.

## **OFFICIALS and ORGANIZING TEAM**

The Tournament Directors for the event is Iwan Schani Ibnu, Assistant Secretary of the Malaysian Chess Federation.

The Chief Arbiter, and other officials for the event, shall be nominated and confirmed before the event starts.

## **MCF OFFICE BEARERS 2019/2023**

MCF Team	President	Akhramsyah Muammar Ubaidah Sanusi
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	Vice President IV	See Swee Sie
	Vice President V	Muammar Julkarnain
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