



# MALAYSIAN CHESS FEDERATION (MCF)

## PERSEKUTUAN CATUR MALAYSIA

# MALAYSIAN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2025

SEGi College Subang Jaya, Subang Jaya, Selangor, Malaysia  
16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> April 2025 (Wednesday to Sunday)

VENUE SPONSOR & HOST



**SEGi**  
**COLLEGE**  
SUBANG JAYA

ORGANIZER



A FIDE RATED EVENT



## EVENT OVERVIEW

### 1. EVENT ORGANIZER

The Malaysian Chess Federation

### 2. VENUE SPONSOR & HOST

SEGi College Subang Jaya Campus, Subang Jaya, Selangor

### 3. GENERAL INFORMATION

Event Discipline	Standard
Categories	Open, Women and Challenger
Time Control	90 minutes plus 30 second increment
Event Format	Individual
Playing Format	Nine (9) Rounds Swiss
Pairing System	Swiss Manager
Status	FIDE Rated Event

### 4. TIE BREAK

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|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Direct Encounter | 2. Number of Wins   | 3. Buchholz Cut 1           |
| 4. Buchholz         | 5. Sonneborn Berger | 6. Cumulative / Progressive |

### 5. CONDITION OF ENTRY

- This event is for **MALAYSIAN CITIZENS only**.
- Players must have a FIDE ID and MCF ID to participate.
- Players must have a minimum FIDE Standard Rating as follows:
  - OPEN Category - minimum Standard FIDE rating of 1800
  - WOMEN Category - minimum Standard FIDE rating of 1400
  - CHALLENGER Category - maximum Standard FIDE rating of 1800*Note: Women Players with a FIDE Rating can choose to play either in the Women or Challenger Category*
- ALL OTB Titled Players (IM/FM/CM) and Previous National Champions (NM/WNM) are not allowed to play in the CHALLENGER Category regardless of Rating (unless Unrated).
- UNRATED players to play in the CHALLENGER Category ONLY

### 6. REGISTRATION

#### 1. OPEN/WOMEN Categories

- All IM/WIM/NM/WNM and players with a FIDE Rating of 2200 and above are invited to participate for FREE provided item 5.2 are fulfilled. **Please write an email to [mcfsecretariat@malaysiachess.org](mailto:mcfsecretariat@malaysiachess.org) if interested**
- State Representative
  - Each State is allowed to nominate TWO (2) players in the OPEN Category and TWO (2) players in the WOMEN CATEGORY provided the players has fulfilled item 5.2 and has a Standard FIDE Rating.

For more information, please contact:

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### c. Open and Women Entries

- Any players with a FIDE Standard Rating of 1800 and above (for Men) and 1600 and above (for Women), can register to play in the Open/Women events
- Players below the rating requirement are accepted only if they are nominated by their respective State provided the State does not breach the two (2) players requirements.
- **NO UNRATED PLAYERS** will be allowed in the Open/Women events

### 2. CHALLENGER Category

- This is an open category for players below FIDE Standard Rating of 1800 (for Men) and FIDE Standard Rating of 1600 (For Women)
- Women players who have a FIDE Standard Rating between 1800 and 1600 are allowed to choose their event category – Women or Challenger
- All Unrated players/Without Standard FIDE Rating **MUST PLAY** in this category.
- Each State allowed to nominate up to four (4) players for discounted fees

## 7. ENTRY FEES

<u>OPEN/WOMEN CATEGORY</u>	<u>OPEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>
Titled Players IM/WIM/NM/WNM	F.O.C.	F.O.C.
All players with a FIDE Rating exceeding ELO 2200 (for Open) and ELO 2000 (for Women)	F.O.C.	F.O.C.

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### STATE REPRESENTATIVE

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FIDE RATING ABOVE 2000	RM 100	F.O.C
FIDE RATING ABOVE 1800 but BELOW 2000	RM 150	RM 80
FIDE RATING ABOVE 1600 but BELOW 1800	RM 250	RM 100
FIDE RATING BELOW 1600	Challenger Only	RM 140

*NOTE: As per 6.1.b, only two (2) Open/Men Players and 2 Women Players per State*

### OPEN ENTRY

FIDE RATING ABOVE 2000	RM 150	F.O.C
FIDE RATING ABOVE 1800 but BELOW 2000	RM 200	RM 100
FIDE RATING ABOVE 1600 but BELOW 1800	State Rep Only	RM 140
FIDE RATING BELOW 1600	Challenger Only	RM 160

**UNRATED PLAYERS ARE ALLOWED IN THE CHALLENGER CATEGORY ONLY (MCF will only use Standard FIDE Rating)**

### CHALLENGER CATEGORY (FIDE Rating Below 1800 – All Entries)

With FIDE Rating	RM 120
Without FIDE Rating / Unrated	RM 140
OKU	RM 60
SEGi Students	RM 80
State Representatives (via email – limit 4 players)	RM 100

## 8. REGISTRATION LINK

Please register via our Registration Link at <https://forms.gle/UFuFpi9NrBa74wFs5>  
Please include Proof of Payment when registering. Kindly complete all payments to MCF accounts at **PERSEKUTUAN CATUR MALAYSIA (CIMB – 8000649725)**

Registration via other channels or mode such as Emails, Whatsapp, SMS Messages or Verbal confirmation **WILL NOT BE ENTERTAINED NOR CONFIRMED.**

## 9. CLOSING DATE

**Closing date is set on Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

MCF may accept application after this date with a late penalty of RM100 per player.

## 10. REFUND POLICY

Request for refund will not be entertained once the Official Closing Date has lapsed.  
Refund requested before the Official Closing Date is entitled only 50%

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### 11. ACCOMMODATION, MEAL and TRAVELING ARRANGEMENTS

Players are responsible for their own Accommodation, Meals, and Traveling Expenses.

### 12. PRIZES (RM10,000 Prize Fund)

**OPEN:** Champion:RM2,000, 2<sup>nd</sup>:RM1,000, 3<sup>rd</sup>:RM500, Vet:RM300, U18:RM300

**WOMEN:** Champion:RM1,200, 2<sup>nd</sup>:RM700, 3<sup>rd</sup>:RM400, U18:RM200, U12:RM200

**CHALLENGER:** Champion:RM800, 2<sup>nd</sup>:RM500, 3<sup>rd</sup>:RM300, Best Women:RM200  
2<sup>nd</sup> Women: RM150, 3<sup>rd</sup> Women: RM100, Veteran (50+):RM150, Veteran (Lady):  
RM150, Best U18/U12/U1600 /Unrated/OKU – RM150 each, Best SEGi – RM100

**NOTE:** For Each Category Prizes, at least three (3) players participating for each of the prizes for it to be awarded, and achieve at least a 50% score (4.5 points)

### 13. MALAYSIAN MASTERS CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2025

The top three (3) winners for Open and Women events – Champion, Runner Up and 2nd Runner Up, will earn automatic slots in the upcoming Malaysia Masters Chess Championship to be held between May and July in Kuala Lumpur. The winner of the Malaysian Masters will earn a spot at the Malaysian GM Invitational Chess Championship to be held in July/August 2025 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Where required and invited, the National Champions will represent Malaysia at Regional, Continental and International level events organized by FIDE, ACF and other International Chess entities.

### 14. SCHEDULE OF ROUNDS

DAY	DATE	DAY	TIME	AGENDA
Day 1	16 Apr, 25	Wed	Morning	Arrival
			2:00pm	Player's Meeting
			2:30pm	Opening Ceremony
			3:00pm	Round 1
Day 2	17 Apr, 25	Thu	8:30am	Round 2
			3:00pm	Round 3
Day 3	18 Apr, 25	Fri	8:30am	Round 4
			3:00pm	Round 5
Day 4	19 Apr, 25	Sat	8:30am	Round 6
			3:00pm	Round 7
Day 5	20 Apr, 25	Sun	8:30am	Round 8
			2:30pm	Round 9
			6:30pm	Closing/Prize Giving
			7:00pm	Departure

### 15. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please take note that MCF reserves the right to reject any application, or to downgrade/upgrade any entries to a higher/lower category without providing any reasons whatsoever. In situations where MCF has rejected an entry from a State Affiliate, the State Affiliate will have the right to replace the player.

For Rules and Regulations, or situations not covered/explained by this documentation or other documentations relating to this event, the Tournament Director, Chief Arbiter and Organizer, will convene to provide the necessary interpretation and/or decision which will be deemed as final.

### 16. OFFICIALS and ORGANIZERS

Organizers The Malaysian Chess Federation  
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