

Nordic Youth Chess Championship 2024

Päivölä, Valkeakoski, 15.–18.2.2024

Competition regulations:

1 § Venue and Schedule

Venue: Päivölä Institute, Päivöläntie 52, Valkeakoski

Thursday 15.2.

Arrival: 15:00–19:00

Dinner and opening ceremony: 19:30–21:30

Technical meeting: 21:45

Friday 16.2.

Breakfast: 7:45–9:00

Round 1: 9:00

Lunch: 13:00–14:30

Round 2: 15:00

Dinner: 18:30–20:00

Saturday 17.2.

Breakfast: 7:45–9:00

Round 3: 9:00

Lunch: 13:00–14:30

Round 4: 15:00

Dinner: 18:30–20:00

Blitz tournament: 20:30

Sunday 18.2.

Breakfast: 7:45–8:30

Round 5: 8:30

Lunch: 12:30–13:30

Round 6: 13:30

Closing ceremony & dinner: 17:30–19:00

(Departure)

Monday 19.2.

Breakfast: 7:30–9:00

Departure

2 § General regulations

The tournament will be played in accordance with the FIDE Laws of Chess, FIDE Anti-Cheating Regulations and other FIDE regulations and the competition regulations of the Nordic Chess Federation. The results will be sent to FIDE rating system (ELO).

During the rounds, only players, team captains and members of the organizing committee are allowed to enter to the playing area. Other persons are allowed to enter only with a special permission given by the CA or CO. Other persons are allowed to be at the playing area for the first 10 minutes from the start of the round.

Players are not allowed to eat at the chessboard.

Default time is 30 minutes.

3 § Organizing committee

Chief Organizer / Broadcast arbiter: IA Eetu Tiiva

Chief Arbiter / Pairings Arbiter: IA Mika Hakala

Deputy Chief Arbiter: FA Panu Laine

Tournament Officials: NA Marko Tauriainen, NA Esa Lappi, Toni Pönniö

Photographer: Jussi Salminen

4 § Pairing system

The tournament consists of five age groups, U20 (A), U17 (B), U15 (C), U13 (D) and U11 (E), with two players per country in each group.

6 rounds, Swiss system. Pairings will be made with the Swiss-Manager-program.

5 § Time control

Time control is 90 minutes + 30 seconds increment per move starting from move 1. Move counter is not being used.

6 § Electronic devices and anti-cheating

Electronic devices are not allowed in the playing area and must be handed to the organizers before entering the playing area. In case of a violation of this regulation, the game in progress will be forfeited.

There will be a 15-minute delay in the live broadcast.

7 § Tiebreaks

The order of players that finish with the same number of points shall be determined by the following tie-breaks according to the regulations of the Nordic Chess Federation:

1. Buchholz – 1 (weakest)

2. Buchholz, no cut
3. Sonneborn-Berger
4. Direct encounter
5. Drawing of lots

In the case of unplayed games, for the calculation of tiebreak the current FIDE Competition Rules shall be applied.

8 § Data protection

Due to the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR, 2016/679) the organizing committee states the following: The organizing committee handles personal data of the players and produces the results of the competition. The results will be published. Finnish Chess Federation uses the Swiss-Manager -program and the results will be published online at chess-results.com and in rating calculation sites. The results may also be published in other websites or generally in the media. Players may also be photographed during the tournament. By attending the competition players accept these conditions.

9 § Other

Official website: <https://www.shakkiliitto.fi/nyc2024/>

Results and pairings are published on Chess-Results: <https://chess-results.com/tnr870315.aspx?lan=18&flag=30&turdet=YES>

Live games are available on Lichess: <https://lichess.org/broadcast/nordic-youth-chess-championship-2024/round-1/ETq6Cm0n>

Photographing is allowed for spectators during the first (10) minutes of the round.

Contact persons during the tournament:

- **Chief Organizer** IA Eetu Tiiva, eetu.tiiva@shakkiliitto.fi, +358409357959
 - Organization, transport, broadcast, data protection, general questions
 - CO accommodates at the institute, and he is the contact person in the evenings in urgent matters
- **Chief Arbiter:** IA Mika Hakala, mika.hakala@mikahakala.fi, +358505286565
 - Questions regarding rules and pairings