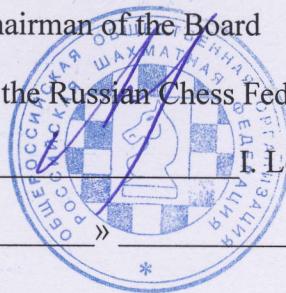


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REGULATIONS

Russia-China Match

1. Aims and Objectives

The contest is held to:

- Increase popularity of chess
- Strengthen ties between chess players and national chess federations
- Determine the winners

2. Organizers

The Russian Chess Federation is the organizer of the event. The direct management of the Match is assigned to a panel of arbiters. The Chief Arbiter is IA A.V. Tkachev. Tournament director is E.I. Bareev.

3. Security

Security at the tournament is provided in accordance with the Regulations for interregional and All-Russia official competitions in 2012 security and rests with the Chief Arbiter.

4. Time, Venue and System of Play

The Match is scheduled to be held in Saint Petersburg from 1 July (arrival) to 9 July (departure) 2012.

Playing days

- 2-6 July classic chess,
- 7-8 July rapid.

Rounds start at 15:00.

Captains' technical meeting – 1 July at 20:00.

Opening ceremony – 2 July at 14.30

Awarding and closing ceremonies – 8 July, after the last game finishes.

The system of play:

Men's and women's national teams of Russia and China are to participate in the Match. A team is to include 6 persons: 5 players and a coach. Captains shall announce the composition of the teams at the technical meeting.

The Match will be a Scheveningen match between men's and women's teams playing separately conducted according to the FIDE Rules of Chess.

The teams shall play 1 round of classic chess games and 2 rounds of rapid games – with a separate scoring in both disciplines.

Time control for classic chess games – 90 minutes for the first 40 moves, 30 minutes for the rest of the game with an increment of 30 seconds per move starting with the first move.

Time control for rapid games – 15 minutes for the rest of the game with an increment of 10 seconds per move starting with the first move.

Requirements to be met by the participants:

- It is forbidden to offer a draw until the 40th move has been played;
- Every player is to be present at opening and closing ceremonies and to give comment to the press between the games;
- It is recommended not to wear sportswear and sports shoes at the playing hall.

5. Determination of Winners

The winning team in each tournament is determined by the highest number of team points scored.

The winning national team of the Match is determined by the total number of points scored by both men's and women's national teams. If the number of points scored by the national teams is equal, the Match will be drawn.

6. Award

The winning teams are awarded with memorable cups and money prizes.

The total prize fund of the men's national teams match (rapid + classic chess) – 30 000 USD – is divided equally (15 000 USD) between two teams.

The total prize fund of the women's national teams match (rapid + classic chess) – 20 000 USD – is divided equally (10 000 USD) between two teams.

(All prize funds sums are indicated after-tax).

The RCF shall transfer the prizes of the Chinese participants into the operating account of the Chinese Chess Federation.

The RCF shall pay the prize money to the Russian participants in rubles at the exchange rate of the crediting day into their private accounts which shall be given to the RCF accounting department before the tournament starts.

The prize money of the Russian men's and women's national teams is transferred to the members of each team in equal shares.

7. Financing

The financing of the Match is performed at the expense of the RCF.

8. Additional information

Additional information about the tournament may be obtained: in the RCF from Artem Pugachev: Tel: +7 (945) 690-44-61, e-mail: pugachev@russiachess.org