**REGULATIONS**

for the Mikhail Tal Memorial Chess Blitz Tournament

1. The Mikhail Tal Memorial Chess Blitz Tournament is held from 12 November (arrival day) till 15 November (departure day) 2014 in Sochi, Russia, at the following address: V.Y. Dvorkovich Saloon, 2nd floor, Sochi Main Media Centre, Olimpiysky Prospekt 1, Adler District.

2. Players' meeting: 13 November, 15.00 Moscow time.

Rounds I – XI: 13 November. Round I starts at 16.00 Moscow time.

Rounds XII – XXII: 14 November. Round XII starts at 11.00 Moscow time.

Tournament closure: 14 November, 15.00 Moscow time.

3. The games of the next round start 5 minutes after the last game of the previous round ends.

4. There is a 15-minute break between rounds 6 and 7 and rounds 18 and 19.

5. The event is a double round robin tournament of 22 rounds, FIDE blitz rules apply (Appendix B4).

6. The Arbiters do not interfere into a game until it ends.

7. Time control: 4 minutes for the game, plus a 2 second increment for each move made, starting from the first.

8. Only the Chief Arbiter can grant permission for:

•a Participant to leave the play area;

•a person who is not a Participant or an Arbiter to be allowed access to the play area.

9. Any conversations between Participants during a round are prohibited.

10. A Participant can appeal against any decision of the Chief Arbiter.

11. An appeal against a decision of the Chief Arbiter may only be submitted in written form within 5 minutes after the end of the round, with a pledge of 200 euros submitted. The pledge is returned to the Participant in the event of a positive decision on the appeal. Decisions of the Appeals Committee (AC) are final.

12. AC Chairman: Mark Glukhovsky (Russia).

13. Official website of the Tournament: <http://www.ruchess.ru/>

Chief Arbiter: International Arbiter Alexander Tkachev (Russia).

**"Mikhail Tal Memorial"**

starting numbers, the draw for the tournament

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|  | **Name** | **IDcode** | ELO (**Blz)** |
| 1 | [Nepomniachtchi, Ian](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119) | 4168119 | 2880 |
| 2 | [Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319) | 13401319 | 2824 |
| 3 | [Morozevich, Alexander](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4116992) | 4116992 | 2811 |
| 4 | Kramnik, Vladimir | 4101588 | 2757 |
| 5 | [Svidler, Peter](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142) | 4102142 | 2756 |
| 6 | [Tomashevsky, Evgeny](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235) | 4147235 | 2725 |
| 7 | [Grischuk, Alexander](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025) | 4126025 | 2724 |
| 8 | [Gelfand, Boris](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677) | 2805677 | 2719 |
| 9 | [Karjakin, Sergey](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603) | 14109603 | 2701 |
| 10 | Leko, Peter | 703303 | 2682 |
| 11 | [Inarkiev, Ernesto](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722) | 4162722 | 2648 |
| 12 | Kosteniuk, Alexandra | 4128125 | 2548 |

***November 13, 2014 04:00 pm***

round 1.

1. [Nepomniachtchi, Ian](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119) Kosteniuk, Alexandra
2. [Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319) [Inarkiev, Ernesto](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722)
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6. [Tomashevsky, Evgeny](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235) [Grischuk, Alexander](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025)

round 2.

1. Kosteniuk, Alexandra [Grischuk, Alexander](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025)
2. [Nepomniachtchi, Ian](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119) [Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319)
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5. Leko, Peter Kramnik, Vladimir
6. [Inarkiev, Ernesto](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722) [Morozevich, Alexander](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4116992)

round 3.

1. [Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319) Kosteniuk, Alexandra
2. [Morozevich, Alexander](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4116992) [Nepomniachtchi, Ian](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)
3. Kramnik, Vladimir [Inarkiev, Ernesto](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722)
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5. [Tomashevsky, Evgeny](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235) [Karjakin, Sergey](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603)
6. [Grischuk, Alexander](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025) [Gelfand, Boris](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677)

round 4.

1. Kosteniuk, Alexandra [Gelfand, Boris](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677)
2. [Nepomniachtchi, Ian](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119) Kramnik, Vladimir
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round 5.

1. [Morozevich, Alexander](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4116992) Kosteniuk, Alexandra
2. [Svidler, Peter](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142) [Nepomniachtchi, Ian](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)
3. Kramnik, Vladimir [Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319)
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6. [Grischuk, Alexander](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025) Leko, Peter

round 6.

1. Kosteniuk, Alexandra [Karjakin, Sergey](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603)
2. [Nepomniachtchi, Ian](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119) [Tomashevsky, Evgeny](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235)
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round 7.

1. Kramnik, Vladimir Kosteniuk, Alexandra
2. [Grischuk, Alexander](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025) [Nepomniachtchi, Ian](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)
3. [Tomashevsky, Evgeny](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235) [Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319)
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6. [Karjakin, Sergey](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603) Leko, Peter

round 8.

1. Kosteniuk, Alexandra Leko, Peter
2. [Nepomniachtchi, Ian](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119) [Gelfand, Boris](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677)
3. [Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319) [Grischuk, Alexander](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025)
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round 9.

1. [Svidler, Peter](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142) Kosteniuk, Alexandra
2. [Karjakin, Sergey](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603) [Nepomniachtchi, Ian](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)
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6. Leko, Peter [Inarkiev, Ernesto](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722)

round 10.

1. Kosteniuk, Alexandra [Inarkiev, Ernesto](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722)
2. [Nepomniachtchi, Ian](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119) Leko, Peter
3. [Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319) [Karjakin, Sergey](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603)
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round 11.

1. [Tomashevsky, Evgeny](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235) Kosteniuk, Alexandra
2. [Inarkiev, Ernesto](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722) [Nepomniachtchi, Ian](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)
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*round 12.*

1. *Kosteniuk, Alexandra* [*Tomashevsky, Evgeny*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235)
2. [*Nepomniachtchi, Ian*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)[*Inarkiev, Ernesto*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722)
3. [*Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319) *Leko, Peter*
4. [*Morozevich, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4116992)[*Karjakin, Sergey*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603)
5. *Kramnik, Vladimir* [*Gelfand, Boris*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677)
6. [*Svidler, Peter*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142)[*Grischuk, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025)

*round 13.*

1. *Kosteniuk, Alexandra* [*Nepomniachtchi, Ian*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)
2. [*Inarkiev, Ernesto*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722)[*Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319)
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5. [*Gelfand, Boris*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677)[*Svidler, Peter*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142)
6. [*Grischuk, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025)[*Tomashevsky, Evgeny*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235)

*round 14.*

1. [*Grischuk, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025) *Kosteniuk, Alexandra*
2. [*Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319)[*Nepomniachtchi, Ian*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)
3. [*Tomashevsky, Evgeny*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235)[*Gelfand, Boris*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677)
4. [*Svidler, Peter*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142)[*Karjakin, Sergey*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603)
5. *Kramnik, Vladimir Leko, Peter*
6. [*Morozevich, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4116992)[*Inarkiev, Ernesto*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722)

*round 15.*

1. *Kosteniuk, Alexandra* [*Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319)
2. [*Nepomniachtchi, Ian*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)[*Morozevich, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4116992)
3. [*Inarkiev, Ernesto*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722) *Kramnik, Vladimir*
4. *Leko, Peter* [*Svidler, Peter*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142)
5. [*Karjakin, Sergey*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603)[*Tomashevsky, Evgeny*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235)
6. [*Gelfand, Boris*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677)[*Grischuk, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025)

*round 16.*

1. [*Gelfand, Boris*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677) *Kosteniuk, Alexandra*
2. *Kramnik, Vladimir* [*Nepomniachtchi, Ian*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)
3. [*Morozevich, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4116992)[*Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319)
4. [*Svidler, Peter*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142)[*Inarkiev, Ernesto*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722)
5. [*Tomashevsky, Evgeny*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235) *Leko, Peter*
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*round 17.*

1. *Kosteniuk, Alexandra* [*Morozevich, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4116992)
2. [*Nepomniachtchi, Ian*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)[*Svidler, Peter*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142)
3. [*Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319) *Kramnik, Vladimir*
4. [*Inarkiev, Ernesto*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722)[*Tomashevsky, Evgeny*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235)
5. [*Karjakin, Sergey*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603)[*Gelfand, Boris*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677)
6. *Leko, Peter* [*Grischuk, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025)

*round 18.*

1. [*Karjakin, Sergey*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603) *Kosteniuk, Alexandra*
2. [*Tomashevsky, Evgeny*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235)[*Nepomniachtchi, Ian*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)
3. [*Svidler, Peter*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142)[*Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319)
4. *Kramnik, Vladimir* [*Morozevich, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4116992)
5. [*Gelfand, Boris*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677) *Leko, Peter*
6. [*Grischuk, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025)[*Inarkiev, Ernesto*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722)

*round 19.*

1. *Kosteniuk, Alexandra Kramnik, Vladimir*
2. [*Nepomniachtchi, Ian*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)[*Grischuk, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025)
3. [*Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319)[*Tomashevsky, Evgeny*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235)
4. [*Morozevich, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4116992)[*Svidler, Peter*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142)
5. [*Inarkiev, Ernesto*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722)[*Gelfand, Boris*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677)
6. *Leko, Peter* [*Karjakin, Sergey*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603)

*round 20.*

1. *Leko, Peter Kosteniuk, Alexandra*
2. [*Gelfand, Boris*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677)[*Nepomniachtchi, Ian*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)
3. [*Grischuk, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025)[*Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319)
4. [*Tomashevsky, Evgeny*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235)[*Morozevich, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4116992)
5. [*Svidler, Peter*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142) *Kramnik, Vladimir*
6. [*Karjakin, Sergey*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603)[*Inarkiev, Ernesto*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722)

*round 21.*

1. *Kosteniuk, Alexandra* [*Svidler, Peter*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142)
2. [*Nepomniachtchi, Ian*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)[*Karjakin, Sergey*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603)
3. [*Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319)[*Gelfand, Boris*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=2805677)
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5. *Kramnik, Vladimir* [*Tomashevsky, Evgeny*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235)
6. [*Inarkiev, Ernesto*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722) *Leko, Peter*

*round 22.*

1. [*Inarkiev, Ernesto*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4162722) *Kosteniuk, Alexandra*
2. *Leko, Peter* [*Nepomniachtchi, Ian*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4168119)
3. [*Karjakin, Sergey*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=14109603)[*Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=13401319)
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5. [*Grischuk, Alexander*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4126025) *Kramnik, Vladimir*
6. [*Tomashevsky, Evgeny*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4147235)[*Svidler, Peter*](https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=4102142)