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THE 7th INTERNATIONAL CHESS TOURNAMENT «TAL MEMORIAL» 2012 REGULATIONS

1. PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

The competition is held to:

- Promote and popularize chess in Russia;
- Determine the winner.

2. TIME AND VENUE, EVENT PROGRAM

The 7th international chess tournament "Tal Memorial" is to be held in Moscow from 06 June (day of arrival) to 19 June (day of departure), 2012.

SCHEDULE

N	Function	Date and time	Venue
1	Arrival	06 June	Accommodation of participants in the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, Moscow, Tverskaya, 3
2	Opening Ceremony, Drawing of lots in the form of blitz-tournament (see Regulations for the blitz-tournament)	07 June, 18.00 Moscow time	Pashkov House, Vozdvizhenka Str., 3/5, bld.1
3	Rounds 1-3	08 - 10 June. Start of play at 15.00 Moscow time	Pashkov House, Vozdvizhenka Str., 3/5, bld.1
4	Rest day	11 June	
5	Rounds 4-6	12 - 14 June. Start of play at 15.00 Moscow time	Pashkov House, Vozdvizhenka Str., 3/5, bld.1
6	Rest day	15 June	
7	Rounds 7-8	16 - 17 June. Start of play at 15.00 Moscow time	Pashkov House, Vozdvizhenka Str., 3/5, bld.1
8	Round 9	18 June. Start of play at 13.00 Moscow time	Pashkov House, Vozdvizhenka Str., 3/5, bld.1
9	Closing Ceremony	18 June. 18.00 Moscow time	Pashkov House, Vozdvizhenka Str., 3/5, bld.1
10	Departure	19 June	

3. ORGANIZERS

The general supervision of the event is carried out by the All-Russia Public Organization «Russian Chess Federation». The direction of the Tournament itself is assigned to the Organizing Committee and a panel of arbiters. The Chief Arbiter is IA Andrzej Filipowicz (Poland). The Tournament Director is Ilya Levitov.

It is the Organizing committee that is assigned to ensure security during the Tournament.

4. SYSTEM AND RATE OF PLAY

The Tournament will be played according to the FIDE Laws of Chess as a round-robin event in 9 rounds. The rate of play is 1 hour 40 minutes for 40 moves plus 50 minutes for 20 moves plus 15 minutes for the rest of the game with a 30 second increment per move, starting from the first.

Ten players will take part in the event.

5. PARTICIPANTS

- Magnus Carlsen (Norway)
- Levon Aronian (Armenia)
- Vladimir Kramnik (Russia)
- Teimour Radjabov (Azerbaijan)
- Hikaru Nakamura (USA)
- Fabiano Caruana (Italy)
- Alexander Morozevich (Russia)
- Alexander Grischuk (Russia)
- Evgeny Tomashevsky (Russia)
- Luke McShane (England)

6. REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PARTICIPANTS

- The participants should strictly follow the tournament schedule. If a participant is late for the game for an hour or more, he loses the game by forfeiture;
- The participants are not allowed to offer a draw until after 40 moves have been made;
- All participants are obliged to comment on their games at the press room upon completion of each round.

7. DETERMINATION OF WINNERS

The standing is determined according to the number of points scored. A won game is 1 point, a drawn game is 0,5 point, and a lost game is 0 point. In case of a tie, the following auxiliary scorings are used:

- Highest number of games played with Black
- Highest number of wins
- Direct encounter
- Koya system
- Sonneborn-Berger coefficient

8. PRIZE FUND

The prize fund of the Tournament is 100 000 EUR

Place	Prize (EUR)	Place	Prize (EUR)
1	30.000	6	6.000
2	20.000	7	4.000
3	15.000	8	3.000
4	10.000	9	2.500
5	8.000	10	1.500

The indicated amounts of the prizes are after tax.

Prize money is distributed according to the final standing taking into account the auxiliary scorings. In case all auxiliary scorings coincide the prize money is split equally.

The prize money is paid not later than 30 (Thirty) business days after the completion of the tournament, to the banking details indicated by the Participant.

9. FINANCING

All expenses of organization and holding of the event are covered by the All-Russia Public Organization «Russian Chess Federation».

10. CONTACT INFORMATION

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All possible additions to the present Regulations, if any, will be made available at a later time in the Additional Regulations.