

FEDERATION MONÉGASQUE DES ÉCHECS



5TH INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CHESSMATES™ TOURNAMENT – MONACO 2021

Rotterdamse Schaakbond RSB (the Netherlands), Irish Chess Union (Ireland), IDF Echecs (France), Leningrad Chess Region (Russia), Murmansk Chess Region (Russia) and Sachsen Anhalt ChessMates Team (Germany)

Monaco, 14 August 2021

Dear Youth Teams,

We have the honor to invite you to the 5th ChessMates™ International Youth Chess Teams Tournament. Our 2021 tournament is hosted by the *Federation Monegasque des Echecs* and sponsored by our trusted partners BASAMRO Logistics and IMAGINEERING from the Netherlands, and the city of Monaco.

Please be informed of the following:

Event: 5th International Youth ChessMates Tournament – MONACO 2021
Date : 8 – 10 October 2021
Venue : Novotel Monaco, 16 BD Princesse Charlotte, 98000, Monaco

1) Accommodation :

APARTHOTEL ADAGIO Monaco Monte-Cristo
2A Rue des Martyrs de la Résistance, 06240 Beausoleil (France)

This apartment-hotel is at walking distance from Novotel Monaco where the tournament will be held.

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Prices:

Studio for 2: 80 euro/per night (p.n.)
Apartment for 4: 93 euro p.n.

Breakfast: 13.5 Euro/p.p.
Taxes: 2.3 euro/p.n.p.p.

We have booked 3 studios for 2 and 2 apartments for 4 for each team (a total of 14 beds per team) at the ADADGIO.

Each Team will be granted a 1,000 euro gift which will be deducted from the accommodation costs.

If you need additional bookings, please let me know and we will try to accommodate.

Cancellation will be free of charge until at least September 8th 2021 and after this, in case of a COVID-19 related event that would make it impossible for the teams to fly in and require us to cancel the tournament.

2) Time Control and Programme:

Time Control: Swiss, 1h50 + 10 seconds increase per move.
The Tournament will be FIDE homologated.

Friday 8 October:	R1: 10:00 AM
	R2: 3:00 PM
Saturday 9 October:	R3: 10:00 AM
	R4: 3:00 AM
Sunday 10 October:	R5: 10:00 AM
Closing Ceremony	2:30 PM
End:	3:30 PM

3) Teams:

Teams will be composed of 10 players, with 5 age categories and 2 players per category. Each team will at least have one 1 girl and 1 boy:

Boards 1&2: born in 2001 or younger (U20)
Boards 3&4: born in 2003 or younger (U18)
Boards 5&6: born in 2005 or younger (U16)
Boards 7&8: born in 2007 or younger (U14)
Boards 9&10: born in 2009 or younger (U12)

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Invited Teams:

- 1) IDF ChessMates Team
- 2) Murmansk Region ChessMates Team
- 3) Leningrad Region Chess Team
- 4) Irish Youth Squad
- 5) Dutch RSB Chess Team
- 6) Sachsen-Anhalt Chess Team

On or before 15 September 2021 each Team that has entered must notify the following details to us:

- (a) name and initials of the Chief of Delegation;
- (b) name and initials of the Team captain;
- (c) name of each Team member (one first name in full, initials of additional first names, surname);
- (d) FIDE rating of Team members (according to the most recent FIDE rating list);
- (e) Details of your flight schedule.

4) Rules (please refer to the latest ChessMates Tournament Rules, March 2020)

A team that wins a game will gain 3 points. A draw makes 2 points and a loss 1 point. The team with the most points wins the Tournament. In case of an equal number of team points, the number of board points is decisive. In case the team points and board points are equal, the result between the two or more leading teams is decisive. In case of a draw between the leading teams, the highest board point (oldest category) determines the winner.

5) COVID-19

We are fully aware that in these difficult virus times, there is a risk that for sanitary reasons the tournament may be cancelled or that travel restrictions will be imposed.

The Rules that would apply in Monaco if the tournament would take place today:

- (i) Vaccine Pass for anyone above 16 years, or
- (ii) Medical certificate certifying that the person has recovered from COVID (less than 6 months old), or
- (iii) Negative test less than 48 hours old.
- (iv) 1 Meter distance
- (v) Masks shall be worn during games.

Tests can be done in Pharmacies in Monaco and France on a daily basis.

In order to decrease the risk related to travelling, in particular from Russia, we recommend to get all players vaccinated ASAP (and get a Vaccine Pass).

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If the rules will evolve, we will adapt and comply.

Please check for your own country of origin the applicable rules to travel to Monaco via Nice (France).

We are, in view of current rules and the evolving situation in Europe and Monaco, confident that the tournament may and will take place.

6) Costs:

The teams will plan, manage and pay for their own transport to the Nice Airport venue and back to their homeland. From Nice Airport the teams can reach Monaco with the tram and train or busses in about 1 hour. We will try to arrange direct transportation from the Airport to the ApartmentHotel.

We would appreciate if you could confirm participation in writing as soon as possible but latest by 1 September 2021 so that we can start working out the details.

Finally, please provide us with the logo of your team and organization for marketing purposes.

We look forward to receiving confirmation of your participation so that we will jointly turn the 5th edition of the International ChessMates™ Tournament into another great success!

Yours sincerely,

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President
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Encl. (Rules)

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