



# National Chess Federation of the Philippines

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## NATIONAL ELIMS FOR SEA GAMES RAPID AND BLITZ – SEMI-FINALS

ORGANIZED BY : National Chess Federation of the Philippines (NCFP)  
IN COOPERATION : Philippine Sports Commission (PSC)  
VENUE : Passi, Iloilo  
DATE : May 24-26, 2019

### TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

#### I. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Eligible to participate are players who are members in good standing of the National Chess Federation of the Philippines (NCFP).
- B. All NMs/WNMs, FMs/WFMs, IMs/WIMs below 2400 Elo rating and qualifiers from the SEA Games – Eliminations (Luzon, Visayas, Mindanao) are eligible to play in this tournament.

Registration Fee is five hundred pesos only (Php500.00)

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#### II. TOURNAMENT FORMAT

- A. Swiss System (7-9 Rounds)

#### III. COMPETITION RULES

- A. The tournament shall be governed by the FIDE Laws of Chess.
- B. Time control shall be FIFTEEN (15) MINUTES with 10 seconds increment for RAPID and THREE (3) minutes with 2 seconds increment for BLITZ for each player to make all the moves necessary to finish the game using the digital clocks.
- C. Penalty for illegal moves claimed by the opponent:
  1. 1<sup>st</sup> Offense – additional two (2) minutes thinking time for the claimant.
  2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense – loss of the game
- D. The use of cellphones and other electronic means of communication while the game is in progress are prohibited. A player who will violate this provision shall lose his/her game by forfeiture.
- E. Pairings shall be generated by the Swiss Manager pairing program. NO PROTEST ON PAIRINGS shall be entertained.

#### IV. TIE BREAKS

The following tie-break systems, in descending order of priority, shall be applied to determine the final ranking of players in each category.

1. Direct encounter
2. Buchholz System
3. Median Buchholz System (minus score of the highest and lowest opponents)
4. S.B System
5. More number of wins (including un-played games)

V. The organizers reserve the right to amend or alter any provision of the afore-mentioned rules and regulations for the success and interest of the tournament.

#### VI. PRIZES AND AWARDS

Cash prizes will be announced by the organizers on the venue.

Note: The top ten (10) for the Open and top thirteen (13 ) for the Women's Category will advance to the grand finals on July 11-15, 2019.

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