



Chess For All Rapid Series – New Year Edition

1. Overview

- 1.1. This tournament is a **FIDE Rated** Rapid Tournament. FIDE Laws of Chess apply.
 - 1.1.1. All participants are required to **have a FIDE ID**. For those that wish to apply for one, please refer to **Pointer 7.3**
- 1.2. This tournament will have 4 sections – **Open** Section and **U12** Section, **U10** Section, **U8** Section
 - 1.2.1. Open Section: Open to **All Players**
 - 1.2.2. U12 Section: Open to players born in **2014 or after**
 - 1.2.3. U10 Section: Open to players born in **2016 or after**
 - 1.2.4. U8 Section: Open to players born in **2018 or after**
 - 1.2.5. The U12, U10 and U8 sections will collectively be known as the Age Group Sections
- 1.3. Both Open and Age Group tournaments will run for **7 rounds** according to the Swiss System, with a **rapid time control** of **15 min + 10 sec** (15 minutes for the whole game, with an increment of 10 seconds per move starting from move 1), with a **default time of 15 minutes** (until the clock runs to 0)

2. Venue

- 2.1. Eurasian Heritage Gallery
139 Ceylon Rd, The Eurasian Association, Singapore 429744
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/e22NmJVNeGjDygza7>

3. Schedule

- 3.1. The tournament will be held on **3 January 2026, Saturday**.
3.2. The schedule will be the same for both Age Group and Open sections.

Time	Program
09:15	Arbiter's Briefing
09:30	Round 1
10:30	Round 2
11:30	Round 3
12:30	Round 4
13:30	Lunch
14:30	Round 5
15:30	Round 6
16:30	Round 7
17:30	Prize Presentation

4. Registration

- 4.1. Registration Link: <https://tinyurl.com/CFARapidJan2026Reg>
4.2. Registration will end on **31 December 2025, Wednesday, 2359 hours**
4.3. Early bird discount will conclude on **14 December 2025, Sunday, 2359 hours**
4.4. The rating used for registration purposes shall be the FIDE Rapid rating published in the latest FIDE Rating List. If the player has no Rapid rating, Standard Rating can be considered.

4.5. Registration Fee for Open Section:

Player Type	Early Bird Discount Before 14/12/2025	Normal Price After 14/12/2025
FIDE Titled Player GM / WGM / IM / WIM / FM / WFM / CM / WCM	\$20	\$30
Rated 1800 and above	\$30	\$40
Rated 1400 to 1799	\$40	\$50
Unrated	\$45	\$55

4.6. Registration Fee for the Age Group Sections:

Player Type	Early Bird Discount Before 14/12/2025	Normal Price After 14/12/2025
All players	\$30	\$40

4.7. Fees are payable via **Paynow to 9765 7017 (Jayden Cheng)** with your name as the reference. Your registration is confirmed once you receive an acknowledgement through text from the organiser.

4.8. The organisers may accept any additional entries after the deadline, reserves the right to reject any entries without assigning any reason, and the right to select the final player list, should there be excess registration.

4.9. Players who do not make it to the final player list due to excess registration will be **refunded in full**. The tournament may be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances and a full refund will also be provided.

5. **Prizes**

5.1. For the Open Section, we are boasting a record prize fund of \$1000, as well as various other attractive trophies to be won!

5.2. Prizes for the **Top 10 places** are as such:

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
\$200	\$150	\$125	\$100	\$100	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$50	\$50

- 5.3. The Top 5 Women and U18 players from the Open Category will also be receiving Category Prize Medals
- 5.4. For the Age Group Section, **attractive trophies** will be awarded to the **top 10 Participants!**
- 5.5. Published prizes for the Open Section are based on a minimum of 60 paid-up players. If there are fewer paid-up players, any revisions will be announced before Round 1.
- 5.6. All other prizes will be announced before the start of Round 1, or after the close of registration, based on the final number of registrants and their profiles. The organiser retains the sole right to amend the prize lists at any point in time. The organiser will have the final say if there is a prize-sharing formula implemented.

6. Lunch Arrangements

- 6.1. Complimentary lunch will also be provided to all the participants in the tournament.
- 6.2. The complimentary lunch provided will be Nasi Lemak. For Vegetarian options, Bergedil (potato patties) will be served in replacement of the Chicken.



7. **Other Tournament Details**

- 7.1. The objective of the tournament is to provide a high-quality, competitive, yet affordable event for players to come together and sharpen their skills.
- 7.2. The Age Group Section was introduced to allow younger, newer players to have a fair chance to face opponents of similar strength and sharpen their skills. We sincerely hope that this would build young players' confidence and allow them to improve to eventually "graduate" to play in stronger fields.
- 7.3. If you do not have a FIDE ID and are a Singapore Resident (Citizen/PR), you may **register for a FIDE ID** at <https://singaporechess.org.sg/fide-id/>. Do inform Jayden Cheng, 9765 7017 if you would like to play in the event but are in the process of signing up for a FIDE ID.
- 7.4. The final ranking is determined by the total number of points scored. Each player will be awarded 1 point for a win, ½ a point for a draw, and 0 points for a loss. If two or more players are tied for any place at the end of the tournament, the following tie-break criteria will be applied in the listed order:
 - 7.4.1. Direct encounter
 - 7.4.2. Buchholz Cut 1
 - 7.4.3. Buchholz
 - 7.4.4. Sonnenborn Berger
- 7.5. All participants are to maintain **high standards of conduct and sportsmanship** at all times.
- 7.6. Statement on **Electronic Devices**
 - 7.6.1. The Player is not allowed to have in his possession or on his body, any mobile phones or electronic devices while his game is still on-going.
 - 7.6.2. Players' electronic device(s) must be switched off and kept in their bags beyond the reach of the player during the game.

- 7.6.3. Any ring tone or sound coming from the player's device(s) during the game shall be an immediate loss for the device owner without appeal.
 - 7.7. **Disputes:** In the event of a dispute, the Chief Arbiter's decision is final. No further correspondence shall be entertained.
 - 7.8. **Attire:** Participants are expected to be smartly attired.
 - 7.9. **Photos, Videos:** Chess For All reserves the right to photograph or make video recordings of all players, or livestream the event for marketing, promotion, and use in other Chess For All's programmes.
 - 7.10. **Non-Compliance with Rules/Regulations:** The Organiser reserves the right to remove anyone from the tournament with no refund of the registration fee in the event of non-compliance with the Tournament Rules and Regulations.
8. For any other enquiries, please **Whatsapp Jayden Cheng** at 9765 7017