Rexher Cup *V* Rules
Ajedrez Para Tiburones

Organizer

Organized by **Álex Mangues Rubia** with the main collaboration of Ajedrez Para Tiburones, the sponsorship of the chess club Ateneu Colon C.E., the online store EscacIMat, the online multiplayer chess platform chessmmo.gg, the chess club Congrés C. E. and the collaboration of IM **Diego Vergara,** the online platform ChessNet and the fantasy chess platform Escacsify.

Dates and Times

Qualifying Round: July 1, 2026 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Final Phase: July 2, 2026 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Game Mode

The tournament will be **completely online** and will be played on the free online platform Lichess.

Time Control

All games will be played with a time control of 2 minutes + 1 second increment.

Participation

Any player who wishes to participate, whether federated or not, can participate, but must have a Lichess account to play the tournament.

Registration

Registration is **FREE.**

Players can register by filling out the registration form that they will find at the following link:

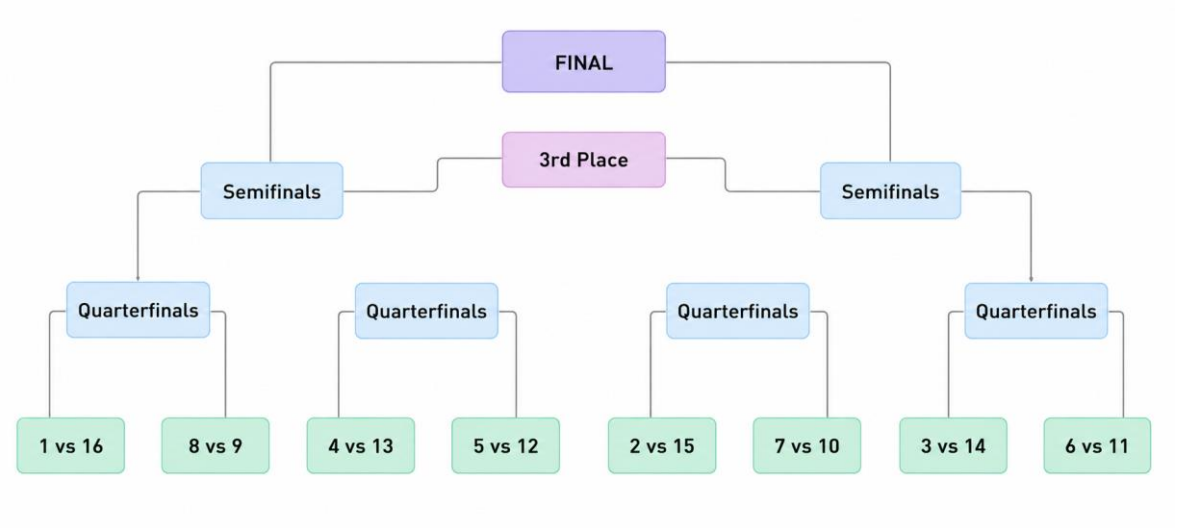
👉 Registration Form

The deadline to send the registration form is June 30, 2026 at 11:59 p.m. Once this date has passed, the organization does not guarantee that you will be able to participate in the tournament if the form is sent.

Game Format

A **qualifying arena tournament** of 1 hour and 30 minutes will be played. The **top 16** of this tournament will go on to the **final phase** that will have the structure of round of 16, quarterfinals, semifinals and final.

The drawing up of the finals and the pairings of the round of 16, quarterfinals, semi-finals and the final will be formed taking into account the position of each player in the qualifying arena tournament. The following criteria will be followed:



Each round will consist of a match in which a certain number of games will be played, depending on the round in question. This number of games will be as follows:

- ***Round of 16:*** Best of 4
- ***Quarterfinals:*** Best of 6
- ***Semi-finals:*** Best of 8
- ***3rd Place Playoff:*** Best of 10
- ***Final:*** Best of 10

In case of a tie after all the games have been played, **the knockout will be won by the highest-ranked player in the qualifying tournament.**

If you finish in the top 16 of the qualifying tournament, you will be contacted to give you instructions on what you have to do to play the final phase using the phone or email you provided in the registration form. In the event that the qualified player cannot be contacted, he will lose his place to play in the final phase.

Prizes

General:

1. 🥇 **200€** + 50€ Gift Card at EscacIMat Store
2. 🥈 **100€** + 40€ Gift Card at EscacIMat Store
3. 🥉 **60€** + 30€ Gift Card at EscacIMat Store

U18 *chessmmo.gg Award*

1. 🥇 **20€** + 20€ Gift Card at EscacIMat online store
2. 🥈 15€ Gift Card at EscacIMat online store

U16 *Ajedrez Para Tiburones Award*:

1. 🥇 **20€** + 20€ Gift Card at EscacIMat online store
2. 🥈 15€ Gift Card at EscacIMat online store

U14 *Ateneu Colon C.E. Award*:

1. 🥇 **20€** + 20€ Gift Card at EscacIMat online store
2. 🥈 15€ Gift Card at EscacIMat online store

U2100 *Escac I Mat Award*:

1. 🥇 **15€** + 20€ Gift Card at EscacIMat online store
2. 🥈 15€ Gift Card at at EscacIMat online store

U1900 *Congres C.E. Award*:

1. 🥇 **15€** + 20€ Gift Card at EscacIMat online store
2. 🥈 15€ Gift Card at at EscacIMat online store

Lucky Prize:

1. 🍀 1 month ChessMood Membership (raffled among all participants)
2. 🍀 1 month ChessMood Membership (raffled among those who register before June 10)

General information about the prizes:

- Prizes **are not cumulative**. In case of winning more than one, the one with the highest value will be awarded.
- The U18 category is made up of all players born in 2008 and 2009.
- The U16 category is made up of all players born in 2010 and 2011.
- The U14 category is made up of all players born in 2012 or later (so it **includes U12, U10 and U8**).
- The third-place prize will go to the winner of a match between the two semi-finalists who have been eliminated.
- The criteria for choosing the winners of the U18, U16, U14, U-2100 and U-1900 sections will be, firstly, **how far they have reached** (for example, an U18 player that has reached the quarter-finals would win the prize over another that has reached the round of 16). And in case both players have reached the same round or have not reached either (if they have not finished in the top 16), **the player who has been best-ranked in the qualifying tournament would win.**
- The ELO rating bands correspond to **FIDE Standard ELO.** If you do not have FIDE Standard ratings, you will be eligible for the U1900 section prize.
- The **Lucky Prizes** will be raffled once the final phase is over through the live broadcast. If the winners of the draw are not following the live stream or have not participated in the qualifying phase, they will lose their prizes and will be drawn again.
- The winners of all prizes **will be made official after the final phase is over** through the tournament broadcast.

The payment methods to pay the cash prizes will only be PayPal, Bizum or bank transfer. If there are fees on the transfer, these will be deducted from the prize.

Information about EscacIMat Gift Cards:

- *Gift Cards from EscacIMat store can be exchanged in its online store for one or more products. In case the total amount exceeds the value of the gift card, the difference in price will have to be paid.*

Prizes contributed by third parties that do not consist of a financial amount will not be the responsibility of the organization of the Rexher Cup, but exclusively of the sponsor or collaborator who provides them.

The right to claim any prize will be forfeited after 3 months from the end of the tournament.

Broadcast

Both the qualifying phase and the final phase will be broadcast live on YouTube from the *Ajedrez Para Tiburones* channel with live commentary by IM Diego Vergara. The link to follow the live stream is: https://www.youtube.com/@marksilvayt

Arbitration

The chief arbiter of the tournament will be Mane Amirkhanyan, who will be responsible for supervising the proper conduct of the competition and applying the corresponding regulations in the event of any incident or appeal.

Anti-cheating

It is totally forbidden to use any type of external help during the game, whether it is an analysis engine, advice, mobile phones, notes, books...

Heading into the finals, the 16 qualified players will need to connect to an online call, activate the camera, share THE ENTIRE screen (not just the window in which the game is played) and keep the microphone on for the entire call.

For this reason, it is recommended to play the Final Phase from a laptop or desktop computer, and not from devices such as mobile phones, iPads or tablets, as these can present technical problems when having to play while keeping the camera activated, sharing the screen and having the microphone on simultaneously. **If, on the day of the Final Phase, a player cannot meet these requirements, he will not be able to play in that phase.** If any problems are anticipated, contact the organization in time for technical tests.

The online call will be recorded and cameras, screen sharing and microphone audio will be reviewed to ensure compliance.

All games of the winning players will be reviewed and, in case of suspicion, sent to Lichess to determine whether or not the player has used outside help.

The organization reserves the right to disqualify any player in case of suspicion of use of external assistance.

If a player fails to comply with Lichess' terms of service, for whatever reason, and Lichess makes this clear in their profile, this player will be automatically disqualified and any action will be taken as appropriate, and in the case that this notice appears on a prize player, they will lose their right to the prize.

After the tournament is over, a thorough review of all the games of the winning players will be carried out. **Prizes will not be paid out until the review has been completed, which may take between one and two weeks.**

Ethics

Athletes shall not act in a manner that dishonors the game and shall behave in a manner that is correct during the conduct of the tournament. The organization reserves the right to disqualify players who do not comply with this point.

Advertisement

The Rexher Cup is willing to disseminate the event on social networks, so it reserves the right to publish images, classifications and pairings.

Other Regulations

- Any point not provided for in these rules will be resolved by applying the FIDE and FEDA regulations.
- Participation in the tournament implies acceptance of these rules.
- The organization reserves the right to modify these rules until 22/06/2026.
- The decisions of the organization will be final.

Contact

For more information you can contact us through Instagram (@rexhercup) or via email (info@rexhercup.com).