

European Youth Chess Championship 2025



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GENERAL REGULATION



1. Invitation

1.1 Montenegro Chess Federation and the European Chess Union have the honour to invite all the National Federations members of the European Chess Union to participate in the **EUROPEAN YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP** organized in Budva, Montenegro between 28th October (arrival day) – 8th November (departure day), 2025.





2. Participants & Registration

- 2.1. Each federation can register one (1) player in each of the categories under 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 18 (boys and girls), the maximum number of twelve (12) players ("invited players").
- 2.2. The players placed 1-3 in the European Youth Chess Championship 2024 will have the personal right to participate in the championship in the corresponding age-category or a higher age-category if they fulfil the conditions that they have not reached the age of 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 or 18 years, respectively, by January 1st, 2025.
- 2.3. Each federation can register unlimited number of extra players.
- 2.4. In order to ensure proper championship standards, all invited players and extra players have to register through their national federations. The entry form should be filled in by the national federation on the official website of the championship. Registration must be done before August 8th, 2025 (registration deadline). After that federations will not be able to register or modify their registration. After this date all the registrations must be confirmed by the organizer and the ECU.
- 2.5. According to the ECU Rules (Article B.14.5.1) for youth championships the players are obliged to stay in one of the official hotels.
- 2.6. Access to playing areas, venues and hotels will be allowed only to people accredited by the organizer.



3. Venue, Dates & Schedule

- 3.1. The championship will be held in Budva, Montenegro, from October 28th (day of arrival) to November 8th (day of departure), 2025.
- 3.2. The playing venue of the tournament will be at "Jadranski sajam" Budva, placed less than 100 meters from the hotel complex.

3.3. Schedule of tournament:

Tuesday	October 28th		Arrival day
Wednesday	October 29th	9:30	Technical meeting
		14:30	Opening ceremony
		15:00	Round 1
Thursday	October 30th	15:00	Round 2
Friday	October 31st	15:00	Round 3
Saturday	November 1st	15:00	Round 4
Sunday	November 2nd	15:00	Round 5
Monday	November 3th		Free day
Tuesday	November 4th	15:00	Round 6
Wednesday	November 5th	15:00	Round 7
Thursday	November 6th	15:00	Round 8
Friday	November 7th	14:00	Round 9
		21.00	Closing Ceremony
Saturday	November 8th		Departure date

3.4. Players from those federations which are not represented and confirmed as participants at the technical meeting, may not be paired.





4. Fees

4.1. In accordance with the ECU regulations the entry **fee of 65 EUR** is required for each invited player and player with a personal right; and **130 EUR for each extra player**.

4.2. According to the ECU regulations, federations are obliged to make the payment of the ECU fee on the ECU bank account before the start of the championship. If the entry fee does not reach the ECU bank account by the end of the second round, these participants will not be paired in subsequent rounds. The ECU fees must be paid to the account of the European Chess Union:

Bank: Credit Suisse, Postfach 357, CH - 6301 Zug

Account number: 1835105-42 Holder: European Chess Union

National Bank Code: 4835

BIC: CRESCHZZXXX

IBAN Code: CH3604835183510542000

4.3. The organization **fee of 100 EUR** for all participants (invited players, players with personal right, heads of delegation, extra players and accompanying persons) **must be paid by 8th August 2025** to the bank account of the organizer.





5. Travel conditions

5.1 The organizer will arrange transfers between the airports (Podgorica or Tivat) and the hotel. Transfer is free for all players and accredited persons on the first day 28th October (arrival day) and the last day 8th November (departure day). On other days transfer can be ordered for 35 EUR per person one-way.

5.2 Upon request, organizer will provide transportation from airports Dubrovnik (Croatia) and Tirana (Albania) with price of 80 euros per person for both ways

6. System & Rate of Play

6.1. The championship is based on Swiss system in accordance with the ECU Championship Rules and FIDE Rules of Chess. The rate of play will be 90 minutes for the game with an increment of 30 seconds per move, starting from move one. Default time is 15 minutes after the start of each round.





7. Ranking & Tie-Break System

7.1. The order of players that finish with the same number of points shall be determined by application of the following tie-breaking procedures in sequence, proceeding from (a) to (b) to (c) to (d) to (e) the extent required:

- a) Results of direct encounters between the tied players (If all the tied players have met each other, the sum of points from these encounters is used. The player with the highest score is ranked number 1 and so on. If some but not all have played each other, the player with a score that could not be equalled by any other player (if all such games had been played) is ranked number 1 and so on.)
- b) Buchholz Cut 1
- c) Buchholz
- d) The greater number of games played with black
- e) The greater number of wins.

In the case of unplayed games, for the calculation of tiebreak criteria the current FIDE Championship Rules shall be applied.





8. Prizes

- 8.1. The first three players in each group will be awarded medals; the first five players in each group will be awarded cups, diplomas and valuable prizes.
- 8.2. Each participant will receive presents.
- 8.3. The total amount of all prizes and presents will be 20.000 EUR at the minimum.

9. Arbiters & Appeals Committee

9.1. The Chief and Deputy Arbiters and the Appeals committee members will be appointed by the European Chess Union

10. Appeals Procedure

10.1. Protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter must be submitted in written form to the Chairman of the appeals committee within one hour after the end of the respective game. The protest must be accompanied with the sum of 200 €, as a deposit from the signatory. If the appeal is granted, the sum shall be returned immediately. If the appeal is refused, the deposit is forfeited to the European Chess Union. The appeal must be lodged by the player. The decisions of the Appeals Committee are final.





11. Accommodation & Meals

11.1. Accommodation with full board will be provided from 28th October to 8th November 2025 to the Slovenska Plaza complex 4* in the Hotel "Slovenska Plaza" and Hotel "Aleksandar - Slovenska plaza":

Hotel "Slovenska Plaza"

Room type	Standard room	Premium room
Single room	98 €	107€
Double room - price per person	78 €	84€
Triple room - price per person	72 €	77 €
Suite (4-6 persons)	Standard	Premium
price per person	79 €	85 €

Hotel "Aleksandar – Slovenska Plaza"

Room type	Premium room
Single room	113 €
Double room - price per person	88€
Triple room - price per person	79 €
Suite (4-6 persons)	Premium
price per person	89€

- 11.2. The federations are served on the first came first served basis.
- 11.3. All participants will be accommodated with full board buffet in single, double or triple rooms of "standard" and "premium" category. **Booking and 50% payment** of the rooms must be made and sent to the organizer **no later than 8th August 2025**. The booking is considered to be assured when organization fees are paid. All participants are obliged to stay at official hotels. The rest of the **payments must be finalized till 10th October 2025**. Extra players, coaches and accompanying persons who are registered after 8th August 2025 pay extra charge of 100 EUR each and can register only under the organizer's confirmation.
- 11.4. All the above-mentioned payments are non-refundable if the booking is cancelled.



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11. Accommodation & Meals

Slovenska Plaža Complex is located in an authentic Mediterranean



Restaurants Aperitif bar & cafe





Children friendly hotel

experience





Tennis Resort for kids



Beaches & Pools



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12. Bank account for accommodation and registration:

Payments for accommodation must be deposit at the following bank account:

Field 56 - Intermediary bank:

Swift Address: **DEUTDEFF**

Name: Deutsche Bank AG Frankfurt

Field 57 - Account with Institution:

Party Identifier: 100 9363045 0000

Swift Address: CKBCMEPG

Name: CRNOGORSKA KOMERCIJALNA BANKA AD PODGORICA

Field 57 - Account with Institution: IBAN: **ME25510000000002650953**

Name & Address: LALATOVIC TRAVEL D.O.O. BUDVA, ZRTAVA FASIZMA BR.50, 85310, Budva, MONTENEGRO

12.1. After online registration has been completed of the championship by the national federation, an invoice with all necessary bank details for payment will be sent. **50% payment of organization fees**, accommodation and transfer costs must be paid to the account of the organizer **by 8th August 2025**.

12.2. All bank commissions must be paid by the sender, if they are not paid, the organizer will provide an invoice which must be paid before the start of the championship.





13. Additional Regulations

13.1. The European Anti-Cheating rules are valid for all the European Championships. (Article Q of of the ECU Tournament Rules).

13.2. During European Youth Championship random Anti-Cheating inspections are possible.

14. Medical care

14.1. During the tournament there will be Medical Services according to the ECU and FIDE Tournament Regulations

15. Local Information

15.1. The standard voltage in Montenegro is 220 Volts. The local currency is EURO (€).





16. Visa information

16.1. Those who need visas must submit their data by 8th August 2025.

16.2 To proceed with the visa application, each federation must fill it out registration form and email it to the organizing committee along with PDF scans of the participant's passports, which must be valid for more than six months.

16.3 The Organizers will provide VISA assistance according to National laws.

16.4 The Organizers are not responsible in case the Montenegrin authorities decline to issue the VISA due to failing to meet all the requirements to obtain a Montenegro VISA. Information about visa regime for the entry of foreign citizens into Montenegro you can find on following link:

https://www.gov.me/en/diplomatic-missions/embassies-and-consulates-of-montenegro







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We're looking forward to seeing you in Budva soon!