



**To National Chess Federations of Zone 3.4  
(Afganistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan)**

**ZONE 3.4 (MEN) CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015  
ZONE 3.4 (WOMEN) CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015**

The Tajikistan Chess Federation has the honor to invite all National Chess Federations of Zone 3.4 affiliated with FIDE to participate in the Zone 3.4 Championship which will be held from 3<sup>rd</sup> June (Arrival) to 12<sup>th</sup> June 2015 (Departure) in Dushanbe.

**1. Tournament format and time control.**

The tournament will be played according to the Swiss System in 9 rounds. The time control is 90 minutes for the first 40 moves followed by 30 minutes for the rest of the game with an addition of 30 seconds per moves starting from move one. Draw agreement must be made only due to Chief Arbiter's permission.

**2. Qualification for world cup.**

Top two placers in the Men Zonal shall qualify for the World Cup 2015.  
Winner of the Women's Zonal shall qualify for the Women World Championship.

**3. The Appeals Committee**

The Appeals Committee will be decided before the beginning of the tournament as stipulated in the FIDE regulations.

**4. Participation and expenses.**

The organizer shall provide free full board and lodging during the tournament for two invited players (man and woman) of each Federation from Zone 3.4. Additional players from the Additional players must pay for their own meals and accommodation to the Tajikistan Chess Federation directly. The cost follows:

- Double room: 50 US\$ per person per day inclusive of 3 meals.
- Single room: 72 US\$ per person per day inclusive of 3 meals.

**ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST STAY IN THE OFFICIAL HOTEL.**

In accordance with FIDE regulations an entry fee of US\$ 75 is required for each invited player. For each additional (extra) player, an entry fee of US\$ 150 is required.

Registration fee of US \$ 100 for each player which includes accreditation and transfer must also be paid before the start of the competition.

**5. Registration, visa and travel conditions.**

Entry forms must be filled by the National Federations and returned to the organizer with a copy of passport of each player not later than 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

Late entries will be accepted with a late fee of US \$50.

Participants that need visas should apply for visas at the Tajikistan Embassy in their respective countries.

All travel expenses must be paid by the participants or their National Federations.

#### **6. Prizes, definition of winners and awards.**

Winners are defined on number of the collected points, and in case of their equality ties shall be broken in the following order:

1. direct encounter,
2. number of victories,
3. Buchholz.

Total prize fund is 5000 USA Dollars. Prize fund and the Arbiters' stipends are provided by Asian Chess Federation.

Men:

- 1 place – 1000
- 2 place – 800
- 3 place – 500
- 4 place – 300
- 5 place – 200
- 6 place – 100

Women:

- 1 place – 600
- 2 place – 500
- 3 place – 400
- 4 place – 300
- 5 place – 200
- 6 place – 100

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