



EUROPEAN AMATEUR ONLINE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

10- 28 April 2021

RATING GROUPS

(Standard FIDE Rating)

A. 1000 - 1400

B. 1401 - 1700

C. 1701 - 2000

D. 2001 - 2300

OFFICIAL REGULATIONS

TITLES - PRIZES

ORGANISER: EUROPEAN CHESS UNION (ECU)

1. PARTICIPATION

- 1.1. Any player belonging to one European National Chess Federation has the right to participate. Participants without a valid FIDE ID can issue one through their National Chess Federation (is a fast procedure).
The tournament(s) is not valid for FIDE Rating
- 1.2. Entry fee is fifteen (15,00) euros for each participant or twenty (20,00) euros for any participant wishes to start from the upper rating category.
- 1.3. Entry fee is paid by the registration and is non-refundable.
- 1.4. By signing up each player agrees to abide by the regulations of the championship, including the anti-cheating rules specified as follows.

- 1.5. The Virtual playing venue for all the groups of the championship is located on the online chess serve at <https://tornelo.com/>
- 1.6. The championship will be divided in the following rating groups:
(according to April 2021 FIDE Standard Rating list):
Unrated players will enter as 1000.
 - E. 1000 - 1400
 - F. 1401 - 1700
 - G. 1701 - 2000
 - H. 2001 - 2300

2. REGISTRATION

- 2.1. Registrations and entry fee payments are available online per category:
Group: 1000 - 1400:
<https://tornelo.com/chess/orgs/europechess/events/eaocc-2021-1000-1400>
Group: 1401 - 1700:
<https://tornelo.com/chess/orgs/europechess/events/eaocc-2021-1401-1700>
Group: 1701 - 2000:
<https://tornelo.com/chess/orgs/europechess/events/eaocc-2021-1701-2000>
Group: 2001 - 2300:
<https://tornelo.com/chess/orgs/europechess/events/eaocc-2021-2001-2300>
- 2.2. Entry fees will be paid online with Credit or Debit Cards.
Group payments (over 20 players) will be available for federations or clubs, through the European Chess Union Bank account or online”
<https://www.europechess.org/ecu-payments-donations>
In such case a list with the names/emails and Fide IDs of the participants and the receipt shall be sent by email to eocc@europechess.org
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
- 2.3. Registrations for each rating category will close (2) days before the start of the respective rating qualification group.
- 2.4. Players shall log in to the tournament 1 hour before the start of the 1st round.

- 2.5. The players of the lower rating group who qualified for a higher rating group will have the right to enter the next level competition without additional fee.

3. SYSTEM OF PLAY - ADDITIONAL RULES

3.1. Swiss System for all rating groups

Time Control: 10 min + 2 sec bonus increment

Day - 1 All groups: Qualification Stage,

8 rounds, 250 qualifiers to the final stage for groups with 400+ players.

If the player in a group is less than 300 there will be only final stage

If the player in a group is between 300-400 then qualifiers to the final stage will be 200.

- 3.2. Day - 2 Final Stage, 9 rounds, 200 to 300 players.

3.3. Tiebreaks

All groups:

- (a) Buchholz Cut 1,
- (b) Buchholz,
- (c) The greater number of games played with black,
- (d) The Greater number of wins

The tiebreak criteria will be calculated by Arbiters and the final standings of qualification and final stages will be published in chess-results and in ECU website: www.europechess.org .

4. SCHEDULE || RATING GROUP

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| Saturday | 10 - April | Qualification / 1000 - 1400 | 8 rounds | 16:00 CEST |
| Sunday | 11 - April | Finals / 1000 - 1400 | 9 rounds | 16:00 CEST |
| Saturday | 17 - April | Qualification / 1401 - 1700 | 8 rounds | 16:00 CEST |
| Sunday | 18 - April | Finals / 1401 - 1700 | 9 rounds | 16:00 CEST |
| Saturday | 24 - April | Qualification / 1701 - 2000 | 8 rounds | 16:00 CEST |
| Sunday | 25 - April | Finals / 1701 - 2000 | 9 rounds | 16:00 CEST |
| Tuesday | 27 - April | Qualification / 2001 - 2300 | 8 rounds | 16:00 CEST |
| Wednesday | 28 - April | Finals / 2001 - 2300 | 9 rounds | 16:00 CEST |

EAOCC2201 Test Events on Tornelo

The test events are not mandatory but are recommended for players haven't used Tornelo server before to be connected and be acquainted with the server environment.

Wednesday 7 - April. 1800 - 1900 CET

<https://tornele.com/chess/orgs/europechess/events/eaocc-2021-test-a/lobby>

Wednesday 14 -April. 1800 -1900 CET

<https://tornele.com/chess/orgs/europechess/events/eaocc-2021-test-b/lobby>

Wednesday 21 -April. 1800 -1900 CET

<https://tornele.com/chess/orgs/europechess/events/eaocc-2021-test-c/lobby>

5. FAIR PLAY – ADITIONAL RULES

- 5.1 For the purposes of this event, the playing area is defined as a room where a player has only the device that he uses for online play.
- Players may use a PC or Laptop during the games with a web camera. It is not allowed a 2nd device or any software/application to be open during the games
- 5.2 Players will play under Arbiters' observation in Zoom Platform. Players have to download and install ZOOM Client for Meetings from the link below: <https://zoom.us/download>.
- 5.3 European Chess Union has the right to update these regulations, modify the schedule or decide for any matter that is not mentioned in the current regulations.
- 5.4 Organizing Committee have no responsibility to technical problems arising to players during the games but will be able to pair any player for the next round.
- 5.5 A player can be forfeited for violation of the Fair Play Rule by decision of the Chief Arbiter or Fair Play Panel. Screening of all games will take place.
- 5.6 Disconnections/ Server failure/downtime:
- A. In the event of a server failure or malfunction during the course ECU will take appropriate action accordingly. In case of an interruption during rounds, the round will restart depending on the length of time of the interruption. All completed games are valid. The whole round may be rescheduled.
 - B. In case that any tournament, in a qualification stage, gets interrupted with 5 or fewer completed rounds, all participants will advance in the final stage. If any tournament in a qualification stage has completed 6 or more rounds, the final standings shall remain, and the tournament will not be rescheduled.
 - C. In case that any tournament, in a final stage, gets interrupted in any round the rest rounds will be rescheduled the next days.
 - D. If a player disconnects during play, that player is allowed to reconnect until their remaining time has elapsed, in which case they lose on time. In exceptional

cases arbiters have the right to judge any particular case and decide in a different way.

C. Stability of the connection is a responsibility of every player. A disconnection for any reason, other than in 5.7A is treated in the same way.

- 5.7. The platform Tornelo has a “call the arbiter” button available for the players. The button stops the clock, and its only purpose is to call the arbiter in some urgent cases. Misuse of the button after the first warning could result in the forfeit of the game.
- 5.8. Three-fold repetition, 50 moves rules are declared a draw automatically.
- 5.9 It is obligatory for every player to share their screen and have their camera on at all times during every round. No other app or computer program should be running, other than Zoom and the browser for Tornelo. Every player who does not follow these rules will receive an official warning via Zoom chat and their captain will be also informed. The player will then have time up until the start of the next round to follow the instructions of the arbiter, or he/she won't be allowed to start the next game.
- 5.10 Arbiters' decisions and Fair Play Panel decisions cannot be appealed. The disqualification and other penalties are imposed based on the balance of probabilities to the level of comfortable satisfaction. They do not consist proof of actual cheating. In such a case sanctions would not be extended to OTB play in the absence of more evidence.
- 5.11 Players barred or disqualified for Fair Play in the final stages' points are awarded to their opponents. For the qualifications stages is up to Chief Arbiter decision. Prizes cannot be awarded till the Fair Play screening is completed for each rating level separately.
- 5.12 In any case not described above, the ECU and FIDE online regulations are valid.
- 5.13 Fair Play Panel: 1. GM Adrian Michalshichin 2. IA Alex Holowczak
3. IA Tania Karali (Chief Arbiter). Technical Advisor: GM Alexander Colovic

6. TITLES – PRIZES - QUALIFIERS

- 6.1. In each rating category the Winner is awarded the “European Online Chess Champion” title and the 1st Woman the “European Online Women's Chess

Champion” title in the respective category. European Online Champions, Silver and Bronze medallists will receive a special ECU e-Certificate.

- 6.2. Every day, the names of the Qualifiers, Champions and prize-winners will be announced by the European Chess Union in chess-results.com and in the official ECU website: europechess.org.
- 6.3. All participants will receive an ECU e-certificate of Participation
- 6.4. Prize list:

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| Rating Category 1000 - 1400 |
| 1 st Player 500 euros, 2 nd player 300 euros 3 rd player 200 euros 1 st Women player 250 euros |
| 1 st – 10 th + 1 st -5 th U1200 (15 players) Free Entry to Anural European Chess Academy Program with Top Trainers |
| 1 st – 5 th U12 and 3 Girls U12 (8 players) Free Entry Online Youth Chess Camp 20 hours with Top Trainers |
| 100 Qualifiers to next Rating Level |
| Rating Category 1401 - 1700 |
| 1 st Player 500 euros, 2 nd player 300 euros 3 rd player 200 euros 1 st Women player 250 euros |
| 1 st -10 th + 1 st -5 th U1550 (15 players) Free Entry to Anural European Chess Academy Program with Top Trainers |
| 1 st – 5 th U14 and 3 Girls U14 (8 players) Free Entry Online Youth Chess Camp 20 hours with Top Trainers |
| 100 Qualifiers to next Rating Level |
| Rating Category 1701 - 2000 |
| 1 st Player 500 euros, 2 nd player 300 euros 3 rd player 200 euros 1 st Women player 250 euros |
| 1 st - 10 th + 1 st - 5 th U1850 (15 players) Free Entry to Anural European Chess Academy Program with Top Trainers |
| 1 st – 5 th U16 and 3 Girls U16 (8 players) Free Entry Online Youth Chess Camp 20 hours with Top Trainers |
| 100 Qualifiers to next Rating Level |
| Rating Category 2001 - 2300 |
| 1 st Player 500 euros, 2 nd player 300 euros 3 rd player 200 euros 1 st Women player 250 euros |
| 1 st – 10 th + 1 st -5 th U 2150 (15 players) Free Entry to Anural European Chess Academy Program with Top Trainers |
| 1 st – 5 th U18 and 3 Girls U18 (8 players) Free Entry Online Youth Chess Camp 20 hours with Top Trainers |

- Prizes are not shared but awarded according to the tiebreaks.
- In each rating category each participant can win one free training camp
- A participant can win more prizes if qualifies for higher rating category.