



43rd CITY of SEVILLE International Open

In Memoriam – Antonio Romero Briones

12-20 January 2018

RULES

1. **System of Play.** The tournament will be played according to the Swiss System in 9 rounds from the 12th to the 20th of January, 2018, at the Navigation Pavilion, Camino de los Descubrimientos 2, 41092 Seville. Games shall begin at 5:30 p.m., except for the last round, which begins at 9:30 a.m.

Spanish Chess Federation regulations stipulate that players flagged as ESP by FIDE must have a valid federation licence in Spain in order to take part in the tournament and that foreign players must have a FIDE code before beginning the tournament. Participants are obliged to verify their personal data, ELO and codes, among others.

2. **Playing time.** Games shall be played at a pace of 90 minutes plus 30 seconds per move. Pairings and tie-breaks will be determined using the Swiss Manager computer program. They will be displayed after the round is finished on the information boards and on the tournament's official website and shall be considered official as from 10 a.m. **DRAW AGREEMENT (Sofia Rules) – Only the arbiter has the power to decide that a game ends as a draw before 30 moves.**
3. **Non-appearance.** A 60-minute margin for non-appearance is established, with time counted from the moment play officially begins. A player who is not present at the beginning of the first round may be replaced by another participant and will be excluded from the tournament. Players who miss a game by failing to appear, without advising the organization, will be disqualified from the tournament. Two such absences, whether justified or not, also imply elimination from the tournament.
4. **Requests for bye/rest.** Up to 3 byes are available for players (except invited players). They can be requested before tournament play begins (always in writing and 48 hours beforehand) and must be requested before the seventh round. In the respective round, the player asking for a bye will not be paired and will be granted a half-point. In all such applications the final decision is made by the main arbiter with a view to ensuring good progress of the competition, bearing in mind the number of points and/or the existence of non-appearances.
5. **Tie-breaks.** The following tie-breaking systems will be used (games not played are computed against a virtual opponent C.05 FIDE Handbook):
 - a) Result of any direct encounter(s) between the players concerned
 - b) Buchholz minus the worst result
 - c) Buchholz total
 - d) Sonneborn-Berger
 - e) Random pick
6. **Game notation.** When the game is over the players are obliged to hand in to the arbiter the original score sheet, signed and with the correct result. The moves must be written as **clearly and legibly** as possible, using algebraic notation. **Note that at this pace of play every move must always be written down.**

7. **Electronic devices.** Unless expressly authorized by the arbiter, **it is forbidden to use or carry any communication device, mobile phone or tablet, etc., in the tournament hall when games are being played.** It is permitted for such devices to be stored by a player in a separate carrier bag, case or purse, so long as the device is completely turned off. That carrier bag, case or purse must be put in a place indicated by the arbiter; players are forbidden from accessing it without the arbiter's permission. Noncompliance entails loss of the game or the sanction the arbiter deems appropriate. Neither the organization nor the arbiters are responsible for the custody or safekeeping of electronic devices.
8. **Validity for Elo.** The tournament shall be valid for obtaining the norms of Grandmaster and International Master and for FIDE, FEDA and FADA Elo classification, per the regulations now in force.
9. Analysis or replay of games will not be permitted in the tournament playing hall. Players cannot leave the playing hall when their game is under way without the arbiter's authorization. A player whose turn it is to move cannot leave the board without the arbiter's authorization.
10. The prizes are not divided; they are granted in strict order of classification, including the tie-breaks. First the general ones are determined, then the local ones and finally those awarded per Elo tier. Players with the option of two prizes will be awarded the one with higher value. For the Elo prizes the FIDE Elo ranking is used; in its absence that of the FEDA and in the latter's absence that of the FADA. **All prizes are subject to tax withholding as established by current legislation.**
11. Players with the right to a local prize include all those federated by clubs or independently in the Seville Chess Delegation or who have established accredited residence in our province for at least 2 years. The *Infantiles* (sub-14) class encompasses players born from 2004 on, the *Juveniles* (sub-18) those born between 2000 and 2003, the *Veteranos* over 50 those born between 1954 and 1968 and the *Veteranos* over 65 those born in 1953 or previously.
12. By taking part in the tournament players accept the publication of images and personal data (name, surnames, year of birth and sport-related data) in different communication media for the necessary dissemination and publicity of the event (lists of results, classifications, participants, games, etc.) that the organization deems appropriate.
13. The tournament is governed by the FIDE Laws of Chess for such tournaments (80th FIDE Congress, Tallinn 2013); any questions not specified in same or in these rules shall be resolved by the arbiters. Arbiter decisions ratified by the main arbiter cannot be appealed.
14. Registration for the tournament implies acceptance of these rules and of the pairing program used. These rules may be slightly modified before the tournament begins.
15. **Technical Organizing Committee.**
 - Technical Director of the Tournament – Ismael Terán Álvarez (International Master)
 - Main Arbiter – Sagrario Rodríguez Aguilar (International Arbiter)
 - Assistant Arbiter – Ismael Nieto González (International Arbiter)
 - Various Auxiliary Arbiters whose names shall be indicated when the tournament begins.

REGISTRATION. The following registration fees are established:

- General fee – €35
- Local fee – €25
- *Infantil* fee (born 2004 and after) – €20
- Title-holders (FM, WIM, IM, WGM, GM) – No fee (gratis)

Discounts of €5 per player for clubs registering in groups of more than 10 players.

PAYMENT of the FEE shall be done by means of DEPOSIT/TRANSFER to Caixabank account number **ES06-2100-8450-18-0200041749** in the name of the **Delegación Sevillana de Ajedrez** (Seville Chess Delegation), clearly indicating your name and surnames, year of birth and country, province or club. The deadline for registering is January 9th, 2018; this should be done by email to **open2018@fsajedrez.com** (amateurs and groups), **opensevilla2018@fsajedrez.com** (title-holders).

If payment is made in cash on the day of the tournament the amount of €5 will be added to the corresponding registration fee.

INFORMATION (7 p.m. to 9 p.m.): 692 44 88 70 (Mr Terán) – 695 79 65 10 (Mr Fernández)

PRIZES

GENERAL		LOCAL (federated in the DSA and resident for 2+ years in Seville city or province)	
1 st place	Trophy + €2,000	1 st local	Trophy + €400
2 nd place	Trophy + €1,400	2 nd local	Trophy + €300
3 rd place	Trophy + €1,000	3 rd local	Trophy + €200
4 th place	€700	4 th local	€150
5 th place	€500	5 th local	€150
6 th place	€400	6 th local	€100
7 th place	€300	7 th local	€100
8 th Place	€200	8 th local	€50
9 th place	€200	9 th local	€50
10 th place	€150	10 th local	€50
11 th place	€150	ELO TIERS	
12 th place	€150	<1600	1 st €100 – 2 nd €50
13 th place	€100	1601-1800	1 st €100 – 2 nd €50
14 th place	€100	1801-2000	1 st €100 – 2 nd €50
15 th place	€100	2001-2200	1 st €100 – 2 nd €50
16 th place	€100	CATEGORIES	
17 th place	€100	1 st <i>Infantil</i> (2004)	Trophy
18 th place	€100	1 st <i>Juvenil</i> (2000-2003)	Trophy
19 th place	€50	1 st <i>Veterano</i> +50 (1968)	Trophy
20 th place	€50	1 st <i>Veterano</i> +65 (1953)	Trophy
PRIZES ARE NOT ACCUMULABLE.			
All prizes are subject to tax withholding established under current legislation.			

PRIZE FOR BEAUTIFUL PLAY in memory of Emilio Conejo. This prize's rules will be published in the playing hall after the 1st round.