



E-Catur Pinang

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#### 4<sup>th</sup> FIDE World Rapid and Blitz Team Championships 2026

Chess Hub has sponsored a team for the 4<sup>th</sup> WRBT Championships. Mohd. Adam Hafiz is the captain of this young team. GM Yeoh Li Tian, Malaysia's first Grandmaster is tasked to face some of the strongest GMs in the world on first board. 15 year-old FM Kavin Mohan, IM Mas Hafizulhelmi and IM Tan Jun Ying will have to bring out their very best to match the elite teams. Talented 16 year-old WFM Ainul Mardhiah is the sole female player. And 12 year-old CM Chow Yi Chen and Mohd. Kamal, Eldin Hakimi completes the line-up. Chess Hub (Average 2,102) is ranked 37<sup>th</sup> out of the 48 teams. Good luck Team Chess Hub!




FIDE World Team  
Rapid and Blitz Chess  
Championships 2026


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**Malaysia Chess Hub** Avg (2,102)

Mohd Adam Hafiz Jafri Malim (Captain)

Yeoh, Li Tian		GM	2421
Kavin Mohan		FM	2266
Mas, Hafizulhelmi			2198
Tan, Jun Ying			2145
Mohd Afif, Ainul		WFM	1796
Mardhiah			
Jafri Malim, Mohd			1786
Adam Hafiz			
Chow, Yi Chen		CM	1878
Mohd Kamal, Eldin			1783
Hakimi			

The FIDE World Team Rapid & Blitz Chess Championships 2026 features a combined €500,000 prize fund, split between €310,000 for the rapid and €190,000 for the blitz. Additional category prizes are available for teams in the Under 2400 and Under 2200 average rating brackets in the Rapid. The world's top players are at the Queen Elizabeth Stadium in Hong Kong to battle out for the 1<sup>st</sup> Prize of 110,000 euros for the Rapid and 75,000 euros for the Blitz.

The 360+ super-strong list of players includes an ensemble of former world champions - Magnus Carlsen, Rustam Kasimdzhanov, Hou Yi Fan, Ju Wenju and Ding Liren, and current Candidates winners Javokhir Sindarov and Vaishali Rameshbabu.

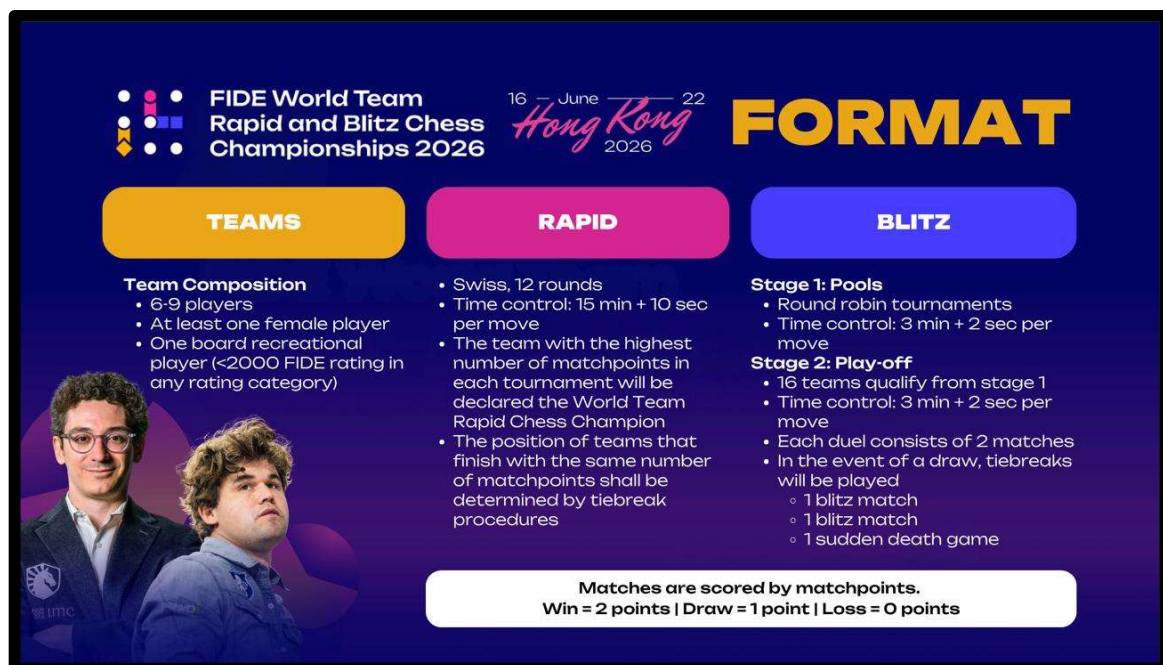
The FIDE World Rapid and Blitz Team Chess Championships is a team tournament in chess, played under rapid time controls and organized by FIDE. The championships is open to team from all over the world.

Teams can be made of club members, members of different federations or any other chess players.

Each team shall be composed in accordance in accordance with the following requirements:

1. At least 6 and not more than 9 players, including at least one female player and one recreational player (who never achieved FIDE Standard, Rapid or Blitz Rating of 2000 Elo points (or unrated)
2. A captain, who may also be one of the players.

Each match is played over six boards. In each match, team shall have at least one female player and one recreational player.



The poster features a dark blue background with white and yellow text. At the top left, it says 'FIDE World Team Rapid and Blitz Chess Championships 2026' with a logo of colored dots. To the right, it says '16 June 22 Hong Kong 2026' in a stylized font. The word 'FORMAT' is written in large, bold, yellow letters. Below this, there are three colored boxes: 'TEAMS' (yellow), 'RAPID' (pink), and 'BLITZ' (blue). Each box contains specific rules and details. At the bottom, there is a white box with the scoring system: 'Matches are scored by matchpoints. Win = 2 points | Draw = 1 point | Loss = 0 points'. On the left side, there are photos of two men, one in a suit and one in a blue shirt, with the FIDE and IMC logos below them.

**FIDE World Team Rapid and Blitz Chess Championships 2026** 16 June 22 **Hong Kong 2026** **FORMAT**

**TEAMS**

**Team Composition**

- 6-9 players
- At least one female player
- One board recreational player (<2000 FIDE rating in any rating category)

**RAPID**

- Swiss, 12 rounds
- Time control: 15 min + 10 sec per move
- The team with the highest number of matchpoints in each tournament will be declared the World Team Rapid Chess Champion
- The position of teams that finish with the same number of matchpoints shall be determined by tiebreak procedures

**BLITZ**

**Stage 1: Pools**

- Round robin tournaments
- Time control: 3 min + 2 sec per move

**Stage 2: Play-off**

- 16 teams qualify from stage 1
- Time control: 3 min + 2 sec per move
- Each duel consists of 2 matches
- In the event of a draw, tiebreaks will be played
  - 1 blitz match
  - 1 blitz match
  - 1 sudden death game

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Illustrations and photos from FIDE

<https://worldrapidblitzteams2026.fide.com/>



Round 1 : Versus Chessnut Nova 1-5

Round 2: Versus Chongqing Kylin Chess Club 2.5-3.5