



23rd ASEAN+ AGE-GROUP CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

1st – 11th July 2025 – Penang, Malaysia

INVITATION

Penang Chess Association (PCA), under the auspices of ASEAN Chess Confederation (ACC) and Malaysian Chess Federation (MCF), has the honour of inviting participants from ASEAN members (Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam & Timor Leste) and all its Dialogue Partners (Australia, China, China-Hong Kong, China-Macau, India, Japan, New Zealand, Russia, South Korea and, USA) to participate in the **23rd ASEAN+ Age-Group Chess Championships** to be organised in Penang, Malaysia, from 1st to 11th July.

1.0 Schedule

Date	Time	Activity
1 st July, Tuesday	After 12:00	Arrivals and Check-Ins
	20:00	Technical Meeting
2 nd July, Wednesday	10:00 to 11:00	Opening Ceremony
	15:30 to 20:30	Standard Chess Round 1
3 rd July, Thursday	09:00 to 14:00	Standard Chess Round 2
	15:30 to 20:30	Standard Chess Round 3
4 th July, Friday	09:00 to 14:00	Standard Chess Round 4
	15:30 to 20:30	Standard Chess Round 5
5 th July, Saturday	09:00 to 14:00	Standard Chess Round 6
	15:30 to 20:30	Standard Chess Round 7
6 th July, Sunday	09:00 to 14:00	Standard Chess Round 8
	15:30 to 20:30	Standard Chess Round 9
7 th July, Monday	Free Day	Free and Easy
8 th July, Tuesday	09:00 to 14:00	Standard Chess Round 10
	16:00 to 20:00	Social Evening – Standard Chess Awards
9 th July, Wednesday	09:00 to 14:00	Rapid Chess Rounds 1 to 4
	15:00 to 18:30	Rapid Chess Rounds 5 to 7
	19:30 to 22:30	ACC Annual General Meeting
10 th July, Thursday	09:00 to 14:00	Blitz Chess Rounds 1 to 9
	19:00 to 23:00	Closing Ceremony – Rapid & Blitz Awards
11 th July, Friday	Before 12:00	Check-Outs and Departures

2.0 Eligibility

- 2.1 Players from the countries and territories listed above shall have the right to participate and they shall be responsible for all their expenses.
- 2.2 There shall be 16 categories for Juniors, which are Under-6, Under-8, Under-10, Under-12, Under-14, Under-16, Under-18 and Under-20, with separate events for Open and Girls.
- 2.3 The players should not have reached their respective age before 1st January 2025.
- 2.4 There shall be 4 categories for Seniors, which are Seniors > 50 and Seniors > 65 for Open and Women, respectively. Players who qualify for Seniors>50 must be born before or in the year 1975, and for Seniors>65 they must be born before or in the year 1960.
- 2.5 The ACC reserves the right to merge categories in case of insufficient entries.

3.0 Time Control

- 3.1 Standard Chess: Each player has 90 minutes plus increment of 30 seconds per move from move 1.
- 3.2 Rapid Chess: Each player has 25 minutes to finish.
- 3.3 Blitz Chess: Each player has 5 minutes to finish.

4.0 Pairings

- 4.1 In the last 2 rounds, where possible, players from the same countries/territories and with a score of more than 50% shall not be paired against each other.

5.0 Medals

- 5.1 Medals shall be awarded to the top 3 placings in each event and category.
- 5.2 Individual Medals: Where there is a tie, not more than 3 players shall receive the same-coloured medal. Not more than 5 medals shall be awarded.

Example:

- If 2 players are tied for first and 2 players are tied for third, then 2 Gold Medals and 2 Bronze Medals shall be awarded, and no Silver Medal will be awarded.
- If 3 players are tied for first, no Silver and Bronze Medals will be awarded.
- If more than 3 players are tied for first, then the 3 highest players based on tie-break shall be awarded the Gold Medals, and no Silver and Bronze Medals will be awarded.
- After awarding the first and second positions, if more than 3 players tied for third, only 3 Bronze Medals will be awarded based on tie-break.

- 5.3 Team Medals shall be awarded based on the total score of the top three players of a country/territory. In case of a tie, the tie-breaks of each player shall be used to determine the winners.

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7.0 Tie-Break

- 7.1 Direct Encounter, Buchholz Cut 0, Median Buchholz Cut 1 & 2, Buchholz Cut 1 & 2, Sonneborn Berger.

8.0 Appeals Committee

- 8.1 The Appeals Committee will be appointed during the Technical Meeting. All appeals must be accompanied by a deposit of USD 100 (One Hundred US Dollars), and must be submitted within 15 minutes after the completion of the relevant playing session.

9.0 Registration Fee

9.1 The Registration is inclusive of all three events: Standard, Rapid and Blitz.

Registration Date	Players registered by their National Federation	Direct Registration	Accompanying Persons
Before & on 1st June	USD 250	USD 300	USD 100
After 1st June	USD 300	USD 400	USD 125

9.2 The Registration Fee for Category Seniors>65 is USD 200, and is to be paid by 1st June 2025.

10.0 Playing Venue

10.1 The Playing Venue will be in the Main Ballroom on the 3rd Floor of the Official Hotel in Cititel Penang Hotel (66, Jalan Penang, Georgetown, 10000, Malaysia)

11.0 Official Hotel:

11.1 All players and accompanying persons are required to stay in the Official Hotel and shall have to adhere to and follow the programme stated in the Schedule.

11.2 The room rates (inclusive of Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner) per day per person shall apply to all players and accompanying persons.

11.3 Room rates

Registration Date	Single	Twin/Double
Before & on 1st June	USD 120	USD 90
After 1st June	USD 145	USD 100

12.0 Entry Visa into Malaysia

12.1 [Visa Requirement by Country – Malaysian Immigration Department](#)

12.2 Those from countries not listed above should check and apply online.

13.0 Social Evening

13.1 It is a tradition for each country/territory shall to select a representative from their players participating in the AAG to perform a show of their choice. Performers must bring their own musical instrument(s) and/or CDs/DVDs for use in the show. Prizes will be awarded for the best performance.

14.0 Registration of Participation and Accompanying Persons

Submission of Registration (using the Registration Form provided):

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+ 60 12 4573263 (Mr Jonathan Chuah)- Tournament Director

14.1 The **FINAL DATE OF REGISTRATION** is **15th June** (subject to participant limit)

15.0 Payment

Account Name: Persatuan Catur Negeri Pulau Pinang
Account No: 8010 241157
Swift Code: CIBBMYKL
Address: CIMB Bank Berhad
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